

The Advanced Manufacturing Centre Construction Site Newsletter

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What we're building

The AMC will house a state-of-the-art pilot facility, enabling Unilever's scientists and engineers to test new ideas during personal care and home care product development at factory scale. It will be 6,500 m², roughly the size of a football pitch.

Unilever's commitment to Port Sunlight

The AMC will allow creation of new products here in Port Sunlight that can then be rolled out more quickly across the world. This is the latest in several investments made at Port Sunlight recently, including Unilever's new personal care factory, which is now up and running making well-known brands such as Tresemmé and Radox, and the refurbishment

of Lever House to locate our global IT team here. These investments demonstrate Unilever's strong commitment to our historical home and to securing jobs here.

BAM and Unilever have been working together to ensure there is as little inconvenience as possible during the construction of the AMC but we are aware that there will be some degree of unavoidable nuisance at times, with wet weather creating some challenges during the enabling works.

We appreciate your ongoing co-operation as the building continues. Wherever possible we will keep disruption to a minimum and we are working hard to ensure that the project stays on track for completion on time in Spring 2017.

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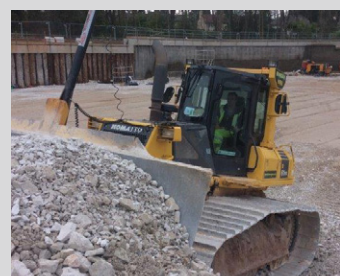
Construction Update – what we're building, recent progress and what's happening next?



Construction Timeline – showing the works so far



Our commitment to the environment and local people



Construction Timeline - work that has taken place so far

November 2015 commenced on site with site clearance



December 2015 commenced the piling for the concrete retaining wall



January 2016 began to excavate and expose the head of the piles to allow the concrete capping beam to be installed



February/March 2016 commenced grading and capping of the site



March 2016 installation of gabion wall



November 2015 - April 2016 removal of 34,000m³ of soil from site



December 2015 - February 2016 carried out drainage diversions



February 2016 constructed beam the capping



March 2016 commenced exposing the piles following the completion and curing of the capping beam



March 2016 sprayed concrete works to the face of the piled wall

Recent progress

We can confirm that the first stage of construction on the enabling works is now complete. This timeline shows the works that have taken place to prepare for the main construction of the building to start in May.



Completed enabling works

What's happening next

May

During the next 3 weeks we'll be putting some cabins and welfare facilities on site. This is ready for construction to start in the first half of May.

Our first activities on site will be the construction of the foundations for the structural steelwork, which is being designed and fabricated off site.

Our ground works contractor will be also constructing concrete retaining walls and lift pits, as well as creating drainage to service the new building.

June

The structural steelwork will commence in early June.

Working Hours

BAM's working hours on site, as construction continues, will be:

Monday to Friday: 8.00am to 6.00pm
Saturday: 8.00am to 1.00pm

If there are extenuating circumstances, 'noisy' work outside of these restricted hours may be allowable. However, we are required to apply to the council for permission before commencing and this would only be in extenuating circumstances. We will always aim to notify you beforehand, as a courtesy, if this is the case.

Our Commitment to the Environment and Local People

Our commitment to the environment

Both Unilever and BAM are committed to ensuring that the environmental impact of the AMC is kept to a minimum. All of the soil removed during the enabling works, which equates to 34,000m³, has been diverted from landfill by recycling the soil removed or making it available to be reused elsewhere. Throughout the project we will measure this and other ways in which we will minimise our impact on the environment.

Our commitment to opportunities for local people

Both BAM and Unilever are keen to create opportunities for local people, as a direct result of the AMC project.

So far, BAM have employed several local people on the project, as well as providing training and apprenticeship opportunities including a Trainee Engineer, Trainee Quantity Surveyor and five Trainee Plant Operatives working on site.

A key part of our approach is also to use local companies and employ local people:

- BAM's subcontractor, who we employed to undertake bulk excavation and ground works, are D. Morgans, based in Little Sutton. They have employed more than 20 employees per day, on average, from the Wirral area.
- D. Morgans' contracting subcontractor, GCL, is based in Birkenhead, with many of the operatives employed on the project from the local area.
- Ellesmere Port-based, L&R Roadlines, who specialise in white lining works, is another local sub- contractor we've been working with on the build.
- Hope Concrete, based in Bromborough, has been used for all concreting operations
- Plant has been sourced from local depots on the Wirral



Trainee Dozer Operator

Considerate Constructors

All BAM sites register with the Considerate Constructors Scheme. This means we are committed to being a good neighbour and to being clean, respectful, safe, environmentally conscious, responsible and accountable.

Our site will be independently inspected to make sure we live up to these aims. We try to work in a way that causes as little inconvenience as possible to our neighbours and apologise for any unavoidable nuisance that may be caused during the work. You can read more about the Considerate Constructors Scheme at www.ccscheme.org.uk.



Please help us with safety

Construction sites can be dangerous. At BAM our top priority is the health and safety of everyone who works on our sites, the public and the local community affected by our work. If you need to contact us, please ring us or call the site office but do not enter the site. Please make any children in your care aware that our building site is not a playground and that they must not enter the site. Thank you for your co-operation.