

News

Ormesby & Priory Woods Schools



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Welcome to the first quarterly newsletter, which will be issued to keep you updated on the progress of the new Ormesby and Priory Woods Schools. In this first issue introductions will be given to the scheme and contractors, along with contact details if you have any questions or concerns. In future there will be progress updates, news stories and articles from the schools.

What is Building Schools for the Future?

Building Schools for the Future (BSF) is a government initiative bringing major investment to secondary schools across England. Middlesbrough is at the forefront of this initiative. It is part of the Second Wave of investment nationally and is determined to make the very best of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Education has the power to transform lives and BSF offers a unique opportunity to transform the educational experience of future generations.

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Planning permission for Ormesby and Priory Woods Schools was granted in September 2008 and work commenced on site in February 2009. The new schools will be built on the existing schools playing fields and will share a central heart featuring performance and drama spaces, health facilities and kitchen and dining areas. The majority of the existing buildings will be demolished when the new schools are complete next summer.

Contacts

Shepherd Construction is working on behalf of Willmott Dixon Construction as the main contractor on Ormesby and Priory Woods Schools. Introductions to both contractors' are provided on the following page and newsletters will be issued by Shepherd Construction.

Shepherd Construction is a registered member of the Considerate Constructors Scheme and adheres to the scheme's code of conduct, which endeavours to keep disruption on site operations to a minimum. Marks are given in eight different sections, including, Environment, Being a Good Neighbour, Safety and Cleanliness.

If you have any concerns or queries about work on site please do not hesitate to contact Dan Miller or the BSF Team at Middlesbrough Council:

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Willmott Dixon Construction

In 2008, Willmott Dixon Construction was appointed by Middlesbrough Council as the building contractor for Acklam Grange, Ormesby and Priory Woods Schools.

Willmott Dixon Construction is part of the Willmott Dixon Group, one of the largest privately owned construction, housing, property care and investment companies.

Willmott Dixon is proud to be part of the Middlesbrough BSF Project.

Shepherd Construction

Shepherd Construction is a leading construction company handling projects up to £100m in value for the Public and Private sectors, including leisure, commercial, industrial, housing, health, education, retail and research laboratories.

Shepherd Construction is part of the Shepherd Group, one of the largest family owned, private companies in the UK.

Shepherd is delighted to be involved in the construction of the new schools.



Progress Update

Works on site are progressing well and we are currently well underway with the associated ground works and are forming the foundations of the new build. Over the coming months, you will start to see major progress on site, starting with the erection of the permanent hoarding (security) fence line, which has been installed during April. In addition work is underway on the site access, which includes the formation of the access road and entrance to site via Normanby Road. The next major milestone for the scheme will be the start of the steel work programme, which is due to commence in May.

News Update

A ceremony to mark the start of construction works on Ormesby and Priory Woods Schools was held at the beginning of April. Students, staff, governors and guests gathered to mark the event. The ceremony to celebrate the start of works was even more special to staff and students as the original plans would have seen both schools refurbished under BSF. It was only the dedication and close working relationship of the two schools that enabled a new build.



Find Out More

View plans for the new schools and read about BSF in Middlesbrough at www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/bsf