BUILD UPDATE

Temporary Scheme (at Riverside)

The planning application for the temporary buildings has been verified and has a decision date for the beginning of December.

The buildings which are currently under construction are for Riverside as this was a separate earlier planning application.

However it has been very encouraging to see how quickly they can be constructed once work begins on site.

This project remains on schedule for delivery in time for January 2018.

Permanent Scheme (at Hibbert Road)

We are pleased to report that the bat conservationist have kept a close eye out and there is clear evidence that the bats are continuing to use the bat boxes. Now there is no roof to the building it does not provide a cozy home for the bats any longer so there is no concern about them moving back in!

The demolition contractor met with local residents last week. The meeting was very positive and the residents are happy with the arrangements. They were encouraged to hear that a total of only eight or nine vehicle movements are planned for the whole demolition. The contractors will keep in regular contact with the residents and the Nature Centre.

Demolition contractors are now scheduled to be on site on Monday, subject to the contract being signed. They will do two weeks of demolition, pause for archaeological trenching and then undertake a further two weeks of demolition.

This will leave a flat site ready for construction to start. This should be completed before Christmas.

Current completion date: January 2018

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