

Welcome to our Newsletter

The aim of this newsletter is to keep you informed of the latest site progress and future planned activities, and to also provide you with details of how to get in touch with us regarding matters both good and bad.

The newsletter will be issued regularly and will contain all the latest news, pictures and information about the construction of the new school.

This is what we do...

Willmott Dixon Construction is part of the Willmott Dixon Group, which is the UK's 3rd largest privately owned capital works, regeneration and support services company. Willmott Dixon Construction carries out major contracting work on non-residential projects ranging from £1m to over £100m in a wide range of sectors, from education, health and leisure through to law and order and prisons.

Established in 1852, we are extremely proud of our history and the traditional values we hold. The relationship Willmott Dixon has with the communities we work in is one that we deeply value, and we are committed to giving the best possible service to the Route 39 Academy school and the wider local community.

Ramblers Association

We were pleased to welcome members of the Ramblers Association to the site recently, together with Devon County Council's Area Rights of Way Warden. The purpose of the visit was to ensure that all parties were informed of the diversion route, and that it had been set up and was being maintained as per the diversion order requirements. Please see page 2 for more information about the footpath diversion.

Works Planned in the next Period

- Foundations for the new building will continue.
- Formation of the car-park and bus turning area will be completed.
- Our 'modulflex' eco-friendly office set-up will be delivered and installed.
- Storm and foul drainage from the building will commence.

Progress on the Route 39 Academy



The cut to fill exercise is now 90% complete, with the upper car park and bus turning areas, and lower building footprint area having taken shape. Overall around 13,000m³, or 18,500 tonnes, of earth has been moved to remodel the site, none of which has been taken off site.



Storm drainage to the car park and bus turning areas has been installed, including the first of the attenuation tanks (pictured). This tank is designed to hold storm water, before slowly releasing it into the ground in a controlled way via a soak away at its centre. This ensures surrounding areas don't become saturated and in turn overwhelmed with storm water.



Kerb laying to the car park and bus turning areas has commenced in preparation for tarmacking. Once the car park has been tarmacked, we will install a larger site office and welfare complex in this area for use throughout the project.



The first of the building's foundations have recently been poured. The building stands on 92no. pad foundations interlinked with narrower strip foundations, all bearing on the destructured bedrock formation approximately 2.5m below existing ground levels.

Meet the Construction Team

Ed Wilson

Operations Manager



Ed has over 25 years of construction experience, progressing from Engineering into project and Operations Management. Ed heads up our Exeter office, and oversees all aspects of this project's delivery.

Michael Mackey

Construction Manager



Mike has over 28 years of construction experience in the delivery of Education, Healthcare, Residential and Retail sectors. Mike is responsible and accountable for the successful delivery of the project in terms of safety, programme and quality.

Jack Sindall

Assistant Building Manager



Jack has over 8 years experience in the delivery of commercial projects, and works with Mike to oversee the day to day construction activities.

Want to find out more about the project?



Scan the QR code opposite or visit the Route 39 Academy website at <http://www.route39.org.uk>

In conjunction with the Route 39 Academy Trust our works have been meticulously planned to ensure the minimum amount of disruption is caused to the local community throughout the build.

For more information about the Willmott Dixon Group please visit www.willmottdixongroup.co.uk

If you have any feedback regarding our works we'd like to hear from you. Please contact Michael Mackey directly on 07970 699221 during normal working hours, or email michael.mackey@willmottdixon.co.uk

Considerate Constructors Scheme

Willmott Dixon are proud to be associate members of the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS). The scheme aims to improve the image of the construction industry with it's members following a strict code of conduct in relation to how they manage the project, against which they are monitored.

The project is now registered with the scheme, and we await confirmation of a date for our first independent audit.

At Willmott Dixon we strive to minimise our impact on the local community, therefore if you have any feedback or suggestions on how we could improve please get in touch using the contact details at the bottom of the page.

Alternatively, if you would like to contact the scheme directly or find out more about it, please visit www.ccscheme.org.uk or contact 0800 783 1423.

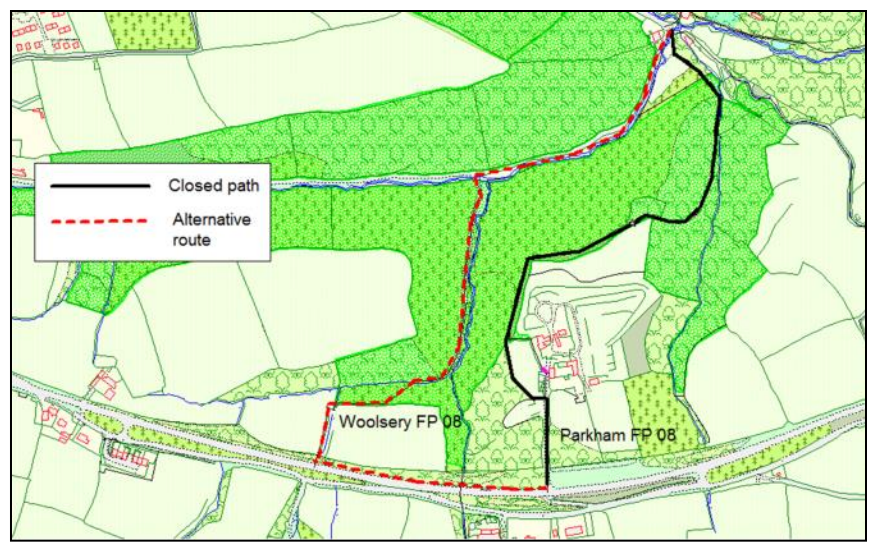


Public Footpath Diversion

In order to ensure public safety during the construction works, the public footpath between the municipal car park in Bucks Mills and Steart Farm has had to be diverted. The full reference of the footpath diversion is: No. 8 Parkham, from SS 3563 2270 the access gate, Steart Farm, to SS 3580 2330 the municipal car park Bucks Mills.

Please see the plan below showing the alternative route. You can also view the alternative route in more detail on the Devon County Council's Public Rights of Way map here: <http://map.devon.gov.uk/dccViewer/MyLocalPaths/>.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused as a result of this diversion.



Work Opportunities

Are you interested in a career in construction but don't know where to start? Or are you an experienced construction professional on the look out for new opportunities? If the answer is yes to either of these questions then read on!



You can never have too much work experience and if you have an enthusiastic 'can do' attitude and really want to impress, then we encourage you to get in touch with us. We accept applications from all backgrounds and you do not even need any relevant experience. Our work experience placements typically last from 2 – 6 weeks and can be site or office based, or a combination of the two. If you are interested in joining the construction industry and think work experience with us will be of benefit to you, please contact either the site team for more details, or visit the Willmott Dixon website at www.willmotttdixon.co.uk/careers.



Are you an experienced ground worker interested in working for a local business? If so then our supply chain partner John Luffman Trading Ltd. (based just outside Tiverton) are currently recruiting. John Luffman Trading specialises in earth moving works, ground works, major civil engineering projects, plant hire, crushing contracts, GPS setting out and surveying. If you are interested in applying please either call in to site and speak to the site team, call John Luffman Trading direct on 01823 674151 or e-mail them at jobs@johnluffmantrading.co.uk. For further information about John Luffman Trading Ltd. please visit their website at <http://www.johnluffmantrading.co.uk>.

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