

Sir Robert McAlpine

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FITZROY PLACE

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FIRST CRANE ARRIVES AT FITZROY PLACE

Introduction

With the focus of the world very much on East London, this month work continues here in Fitzrovia with the first two of the six tower cranes being erected in August.

While Sir Robert McAlpine's subcontractors McGee continue with the earth works package, two new contractors have come on board: PC Harrington, who will be looking after the Reinforced Concrete (RC) Frame contract and Camden-based Clipfine who have been appointed as the Logistics contractor.

Site activity continues to concentrate on site establishment and excavation.

Works Summary

The erection of the first tower crane, 'TC4', took place over the weekend of 4 – 5 August, the delivery of this crane had to be effected under the conditions of the Metropolitan Police's Olympic Traffic Embargo. Whilst preparations for the next two tower cranes, 'TC2' & 'TC3', are well under way with the erection of 'TC2' planned for the weekend of 18 – 19 August, this is outside of the Olympic Embargo and should go ahead with minimum disruption.

McGee continues to establish the 'Shelf' works to Cleveland Street, Mortimer Street and Nassau Street along with continuing their excavation works. Additionally, this month will see the ramp and site vehicle entrance on Mortimer Street relocate further along the street towards Cleveland Street.

Following the suspension of the parking bays adjacent to the site in Cleveland Street, access way works including hoarding relocation and the placement mass barriers are underway.

With the new steel gantry in place inside the hoarding to the Riding House Street elevation, the site accommodation will start to be installed this month which will enable the removal of existing site cabins.

The coming month's activities

- 10 Mortimer St demolition works to ground floor level.
- Excavation for capping beam and concreting of capping beam around the Chapel perimeter.
- Mortimer St pavement utility services trial trenches requiring pavement closure from WCC.
- Site perimeter shelf enabling works around the perimeter of the site.
- Excavate, install piles and tower crane bases for TC2 and TC3 and erect TC2.
- Installation of SRM site accommodation on steel gantry along Riding House St.
- Removal of current McGee site administration and welfare set up.
- Erection of steel gantry in Mortimer St adjacent to 10 Mortimer St.
- Establish barrier in Cleveland St to form a filter lane for lorries.



Start of the month



End of the month

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Traffic Routes

The Cleveland Street site access gate will remain closed to road traffic for the duration of the month. The Mortimer Street gate will be used to allow the site bulk excavation works to be carried out. This gate will move further along Mortimer Street towards Cleveland Street at the end of August. Excavation continues and vehicle movements are expected to approach approx. 60 – 70 lorry movements per day. Once the Mortimer Street gate closes, the Cleveland Street entrance will be used, for loading / off loading by crane and there will be no vehicular access into site.

Neighbourly Matters

During last month, demolition works at 10 Mortimer Street continued and concreting works to the capping beam around the Chapel perimeter were undertaken. Excavation continued – particularly for the installation of bases for the 2 tower cranes.

The Mortimer Street pavement utility investigation works were completed. At all times the team endeavoured to take care to mitigate potential dust impacts as well as mud being transferred onto the surrounding roads, which is a fine balance. The development team continues to aim to keep neighbours as informed as possible to any potential disturbance. During July 14 complaints & enquiries were received and responded to.

In conjunction with Westminster City Council, Sir Robert McAlpine have arranged for three people to be trained to operate a school crossing service for All Souls CofE Primary School. This service will assist pupils crossing Cleveland Street at the junction with Riding House Street before and after school, when the new term starts on September 6th. This service will remain in place for the duration of the construction. Also being made ready for the start of the new school term is the school artwork installation which will be displayed on the hoarding on the Riding House Street elevation of the development.

Contact

Our new **Community Liaison Freephone number** is now in operation **0800 0147593**

Should you prefer to receive this newsletter by email, please contact Bruce Nixon at b.nixon@sir-robert-mcalpine.com

Notification of Weekend Works

We would like to inform you that tower crane erection works are planned for the weekend of the 18th and 19th August 2012.

The proposed schedule of works is as follows:

- Set up mobile crane within the site boundary Saturday morning
- Delivery of crane sections by lorry to site Saturday
- Erect tower crane sections - Saturday and Sunday
- De-rig mobile crane and leave site - Sunday afternoon

Hours of working

Saturday: 08.00hrs – 18.00hrs

Sunday: 10.00hrs – 18.00hrs

We expect these works to be completed within the above times however, occasionally, such operations can take longer than expected and we appreciate your patience in such circumstances. It is our aim to minimise the impact of the works upon our neighbours and noise control measures will be adopted.

If the requirement for special works outside standard working hours are required during the month, we will aim to notify neighbours in advance by email or letter (depending on your stated preference).

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Aerial view before crane erection



Chapel stabilisation works



Tower crane base