



Univ North Development

Information Update from University College, Oxford and Construction Partners, SDC

Dear Resident,

I hope that you are keeping well.

In the May edition of the Newsletter, I shared with you the exciting news that we had handed over possession of the Nursery, the first building in the Univ North development to complete. I am delighted to let you know that the College have since taken possession of both Water Court West and, more recently, Water Court East buildings. The final building in this quadruple handover is Woodstock Pavilion which will be transferred to the College in the coming weeks.

Over the Summer, Univ's team of gardeners will be busy planting all the greenery to finish off the external works, creating a tranquil and biodiverse environment. There will also be teams from the College's Domestic Bursary working hard to prepare these buildings for the first students who will be moving in at the start of Michaelmas term in October.

To return to construction progress, we have made considerable progress to Banbury Road Villa, and the building's CLT (cross-laminated timber) frame is now complete with snagging of the frame currently underway. We have teams on site who are spraying the limited number of steel beams in the building with an intumescent coating. This is a regulatory requirement that protects the steels from high temperatures in the event of a fire and prevents them from undermining the structural integrity of the building. We will then commence on the fire protection to the timber that is critical to the structure and cover these with a non-combustible fire protection board.

In Walnut Lawn Villa, we have virtually completed the installation of the commercial kitchen equipment to the café space and have finished the mechanical and electrical first fix in this space. The tile flooring has been laid, and we are presently working on the ash veneer timber wall panelling.

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Upstairs in the student bedrooms, we are doing the final decorative works on both the first and second floors. We are planning on completing the power switchover next week so that all the electricity is supplied from the new substation. Externally, our bricklayers have returned to site to continue with the brickwork to the chimney flues and lift overrun. They are also working on the intricate corbelled brick details above the window reveals.

As always if you have any queries or concerns about the project, please do not hesitate to contact me using the contact details overleaf. We will continue to try and ensure that the nature of our work is carried out in the most neighbourly way possible.

With kind regards,



George Ilett
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Artistic impression of the project

A Timeline of Events



Summer 2025

- Complete internal and external works to Walnut Lawn
- Brickwork and roof to start BRV
- Commence internal work to BRV
- Tree and shrub planting
- External landscaping to Woodstock Pavilion

