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WELCOME to the first edition of the Southbank Place Newsletter for 2017.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

As you have probably seen, the site is now taking shape with structures starting to resemble the completed buildings they will become. All demolition has completely finished; decking, cladding and steelwork are now being installed. Lifts are currently being fitted in the shafts of One and Two Southbank Place.

Slipform work to Two Southbank Place has been completed and the core is at its full height. Piling has now been completed to Casson Square and related plant has been removed.

We have now taken possession of the Hungerford Car Park site and until a scheme has been agreed, we are using the site to hold our lorries off the road.



Belvedere Gardens (taken from Belvedere Road)

Our 9th crane is now in situ. In previous newsletters we had mentioned closing Belvedere Road in Jan/Feb to allow its construction. We are pleased to say that we found a solution causing as little disruption to our neighbours as possible, and avoided closing the road.



A new look for One Southbank Place

The crane was built at its minimal height and then using its 'self-climbing' mechanism, it will lift itself to full height as required (24m in this instance). By doing it in this fashion, we did not need to disrupt the local traffic arrangements.

Our second on-site canteen is now completed in the basement of Belvedere Gardens and is open for business serving the needs of our ever growing number of workers. This canteen is able to feed approximately 550 people per day (preferably not all at the same time!).

Every month we like to acknowledge positive contributions our trade contractors have made to our on-site Health & Safety. Our congratulations to Patrick Pugh of EMS (UK) Ltd and Emirjan Cjapi of Expanded Piling, our most recent winners



Richard Lines presents Patrick Pugh with his prize

A LOOK AHEAD

Shell has started its own refurbishment works and you may have already seen scaffolding erected around the tower. Shell has timed its refurbishment work to finish in-line with the completion of their new building (One Southbank Place). We have started construction of two new 'sky bridges' that will connect Shell Tower to the new building at levels 5 and 10.

Work to Four Casson Square is underway and progressing well. This building will sit over the Southbank LUL underground entrance and is built on isolation bearings so any vibrations from the Tube are not transmitted up into the building. There is intensive activity on the old LUL ticket hall as we prepare the substructure and foundations for the building. Working around the existing structures is a complicated process and at the moment the escalator barrel is being prepared to receive its new escalators.

We are in consultation with local businesses regarding utility works/ installations and are trying to tie in our works at the same time as any other remedial works. We endeavour as much as possible to make sure the same road is not dug up twice for different purposes.

QUARTERLY HEALTH & SAFETY STATS

- Project hours worked this quarter400,974
- Average no. of operatives this quarter **636**
- Hours since last reportable accident 187,614
- Total project hours61,709,065

EMPLOYMENT STATS

Since the project began

- 7,298 operatives have worked on site including:
 - 5 apprentices
- 13 graduates
- 6 trainees
- 3 cadets
- 389 are local residents
- 137 vacancies advertised with Lambeth Working:
 17 of these vacancies filled with Lambeth residents

If you or anyone you know, are interested in working on this project please contact construction@lambeth.gov.uk

OPENING DOORS TO CONSTRUCTION

Southbank Place will be taking part in 'Open Doors' Week taking place on Monday 27th March to 1st April 2017.

Over the next 5 years, the construction industry will create over 230,000 new roles and it is crucial that construction is not just seen as labouring, but as an industry containing many interesting and varied disciplines suitable for both men and women.

Members of the public are invited to go behind the scenes at a major 'live' construction site of their choice to gain a first-hand view of the industry.

To book a place and for more information go to opendoors.construction.com

You said:

The pavements are in a terrible state. Why don't you fix them?

We did:

We are not allowed to fix the pavements as they are the responsibility of the local authority. However we've made it a point of duty to undertake a weekly inspection of the surrounding pavements and report them to the relevant council department.

AS THE YEAR ENDED...

We were busy getting into the spirit of the season with plenty of giving.

In the quarter leading up to Christmas, not only did we contribute to our '5 a day', we have planted 72 fruit trees in Malawi, Africa through Fruitful Office.

Staff took part in a (very, very) colourful Christmas Jumper day competition which raised £272 for the Southbank Place Charity fund.

With the assistance of our on-site caterers Grabinsky's, our senior managers served a total of 480 Christmas dinners to our hungry construction workers.

A New Year's Eve fundraising reception was held on top of Belvedere Gardens to mark the 60th Anniversary of the Lighthouse Club; not only did it raise money for a worthy cause but also gave attendees a perfect view of the New Year's Eve fireworks. A whopping total of £10,755 was raised for The Lighthouse Club, a charity providing crucial support for construction workers and their families in times of crisis.



View of fireworks from roof of Belvedere Gardens

Follow us on Twitter to see more images and footage of the fireworks @ CWCSouthbankPl. You can also keep up with our latest news, activities and view the newsletter archive at: southbankplaceconstruction.com

And finally, our congratulations to Coach Hutchfield and Coach Kentebe of Brixton Ballers Wheelchair Basketball Club who jointly received the award for Voluntary Contribution at the 2017 Canary Wharf Sports Personality of the Year. We look forward to more great things from the team.

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