

COLPAI Construction Public Webinar – Thursday 15 July 2021, 7pm

The presentation from the online webinar can be viewed in the link –

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The recording of the webinar can be viewed in the link –

https://youtu.be/0wjy_3DAn8E

Overview of the COLPAI Project Webinar and Summary of Questions Raised

Welcome and Introductions	
Overview	<p>Ruby Wilkinson from Comm Comm UK welcomed everyone to the online webinar and thanked the community for their time. Ruby outlined the format of the webinar and introduced the project team, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Gwyther-Jones, City of London Corporation • Gerald Mehrtens, City of London Corporation • Mark Lowman, City of London Corporation • Noyon Choudhury, City of London Corporation • Dawn Harris, City of London Corporation • Paul Murtagh, City of London Corporation • Steve McCarthy, ISG. <p>There were seven unique viewers from the local community on the call.</p>
Works On-Site	
Overview	<p>Steve McCarthy from ISG gave an update on the works that have taken place on-site over the past few months. Images were presented to the audience of different elements of the site progressing.</p> <p>The presentation and imagery can be found on the project website: https://www.colpai-project.co.uk/downloads</p> <p>Steve gave an update on the progress on-site across the different buildings, the imagery can be viewed at the link above. The presentation included updates on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential building – Frame, metsec and riser walls, screeding and ducting, and roof installation • Educational buildings – Paving and green roof on the sports hall, brickwork, landscaping, internal rooms and decoration of the main school building and the sports hall, as well as external infrastructure services. <p><u>Monitoring results</u></p> <p>Noise, vibration and dust continues to be monitored around the site. The results are published on a monthly basis on the website and in newsletters. As the team is moving into the fit-out phase, less noise is expected over the coming weeks.</p> <p>It was also noted that in week 137 the noise trigger level was exceeded as a result of necessary works being undertaken in close proximity to the noise monitor.</p>

	<p><u>Working hours and COVID-19 Guidelines</u></p> <p>ISG noted that it is continuing to work within the guidelines.</p> <p>Operatives on-site are continuing to social distance. On occasions that the team needs to work in closer proximity, then there is guidance which covers this activity.</p> <p>Working hours</p> <p>Monday to Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8am - 6pm • 6pm - 8pm within the educational buildings (quiet works) <p>Saturday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9am - 2pm • 2pm - 4pm within the educational buildings (quiet works) <p>ISG has contacted Islington and City of London Environmental departments to notify them of the upcoming works. Permission has been granted by both local authorities for the increase in working hours.</p>
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School Furniture Deliveries	
Overview	<p>Gerald advised that on Saturday 17 July 2021, between the hours of 9am- 7pm, the school furniture will be delivered to the new school buildings, via Baltic Street East. Islington and City of London Environmental departments have been notified and granted permission to extend working hours, to enable the school furniture delivery to take place.</p> <p>Gerald explained that Alexanders Removals will be carrying out deliveries to the school and that they have been given a written protocol to follow in order to mitigate the potential for disturbance.</p>

Naming of Residential Building	
Overview	<p>Paul advised residents that looking ahead, the naming of the residential building remains on the COLPAI Project team's radar.</p>

Q&A	
Question 1:	<p>I've struggled through one online meeting today and had to terminate another early as other participants found it difficult to hear me over the building noise. So how will teachers teach over the noise, and how will children's ears be protected during outside playtime, from the construction of the neighbouring tower block when the school opens?</p>
Response:	<p>The on-site monitoring will remain in place for the duration of the construction period, as well as the reduced impact hours. Much of the upcoming work will also be quieter works inside the residential building.</p>

Question 2:	Can Gerald advise about fire evacuations of the school. Where will the children be evacuated to until the housing building is finished?
Response:	<p>This has been followed up since the meeting.</p> <p>Currently there is one muster point for the school, which is opposite the school entrance on the north side of Baltic Street West. A Fire Risk Assessment is being undertaken and will provide suggestions of other appropriate locations for a second muster point. We will be able to confirm the location of the second muster point once it has been agreed.</p>
Question 3:	Is there any soft planting in the playground?
Response:	<p>Yes, there will be planting within the playground as well as elsewhere around the site. Details of this can be found on the landscape plans available in the 'downloads' section of the project website at the following link:</p> <p>https://www.colpai-project.co.uk/downloads</p>
Question 4:	Talking about the crane removal, why were residents given so little notice about this weekend work and the closure of Golden Lane when it must have been planned for months. My household got an email at 20.00 the day before. I do not think this can be described as considerate. And the work this weekend we have been notified today, again it must have planned weeks in advance.
Response:	<p>We always endeavour to give as much notice as reasonably possible to residents. We would encourage the community to sign-up for updates on our website to ensure you receive the latest news. We have a strict process to follow ahead of issuing notices, which includes obtaining permission from both local authorities and sign-off from the project team.</p>

We are looking at holding the next meeting regarding works on-site on **Thursday 16 September 2021 at 7pm**. We will circulate more information in due course.

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