



Brentford Community Stadium



Welcome to the sixth issue of Brentford Community Stadium's newsletter which provides an update on the completion of the new stadium, the matches which are soon to be held behind closed doors, progress on the construction of homes and the activity which has recently been taking place to support the community during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Stadium complete

Since our last update, construction has progressed on the new stadium (see ① on the masterplan) and we are pleased to announce that it is now complete. We experienced a temporary pause during the Covid-19 pandemic to abide by government guidelines and put in place the necessary measures to ensure the health and safety of our construction teams, however they were soon able to get back to work. In the last few months, we focused on completing the life safety critical mechanical and electrical installation and commissioning works, along with the final fitout works to all hospitality and changing areas.

First matches at the new stadium

Although the test event programme we originally planned has sadly not been

possible due to the pandemic and the government's guidelines, we are happy to report that in the last few days a safety certificate has been granted by the area's Safety Advisory Group for our new home to host games behind closed doors.

Although we won't be able to play in front of our fans, having secured third place – Brentford FC's highest league finish in over 70 years – we are looking forward to the start of the next season in our new ground. The first matches will take place on the following dates:

1 September, 3pm
Pre-season friendly

6 September, 12pm
Wycombe Wanderers (live on Sky Sports) in the first round of the Carabao Cup

19 September, 3pm
Huddersfield Town

3 October, 3pm

Preston North End

17 October, 3pm
Coventry City

27 October, 3pm
Norwich City

For all games there will be staff from both clubs, media, safety and security personnel.

For televised games, staff from the broadcaster will also be present. The Club will need to secure an updated safety certificate in order for a limited number of supporters to be allowed inside our new home (whilst meeting social distancing guidelines).



Outline Construction Programme:



London Irish update

London Irish Rugby Football Club will complete its 2019/2020 season on 4 October with its final games held at the Twickenham Stoop Stadium. The start of the 2020/2021 season will be in early November and we will let you know when London Irish will play their first home match at Brentford Community Stadium.

Construction of the new homes

The new homes at the Central Eastern (see 2 on the masterplan) and Central Southern (see 3 on the masterplan) development sites are on track to be delivered on time – Q2 2021 and Q4 2021 respectively.

At Central Eastern, the external frame of the building has been completed and work to the external façades is in progress and the internal fitout

of all internal apartments and amenity areas is progressing up through the building at various stages.

At Central Southern, progress also continues to all areas of the façades, and the internal fitout works to both blocks are in progress at various stages throughout.

Supporting the local community

When the government restricted all but essential movement across the UK in March, Brentford FC Community Sports Trust launched a **#BeeatHome** campaign that encouraged children and adults to stay active within their homes. The Trust delivered educational and physical activity content to children and young people in the local area while simultaneously urging people to stay at home to help save lives. The two

month campaign saw people getting involved in a range of ways and we received a letter of thanks from the Mayor of London Sadiq Khan.

The Trust has now launched a **#BeeWell** campaign as restrictions around movement have changed, offering a range of online activities to support adults and young people with their physical and mental wellbeing. For more information visit www.brentfordfccst.com/beathome/

Meanwhile, EcoWorld has been working with a number of local schools across the area, as part of an outreach programme to support young people in the capital. Between May and June, EcoWorld prepared several online presentations for students at Green Dragon Primary School and Isleworth and Syon Secondary School, on a range of topics relating

from health and safety guidelines in response to Covid-19 to future career opportunities.

Being a considerate neighbour

Prior to lockdown, the Considerate Constructors Scheme undertook a monitoring visit of the site, to assess our construction site and how we are following the Code of Considerate Practice. We were pleased to hear that we had been awarded four and a half stars by the assessors, who spoke positively about the programme and the measures we had taken to minimise disruptions, protect the environment and secure everyone's safety.



The Brentford Community Stadium project masterplan.



Brentford FC Community Sports Trust's **#BeeatHome** campaign

Contact us

We will continue to provide regular updates to residents through this newsletter and Lionel Road Liaison Group meetings – a forum set up in 2014 to ensure residents associations and other stakeholders are kept informed and have the opportunity to ask any questions.

As new advice emerges on the current restrictions around Covid-19, we will update residents again with more information.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us via email at info@brentfordcommunitystadium.com.

For further information on the project and updates please visit www.brentfordcommunitystadium.com.

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