

THIS ISSUE - hard work comes to fruition, get involved in updating the website, who has been selling fruit and veg?, a great start to the summer for Higgins Homes, who is the cave girl?, welcomes, long service and how we can support you.

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the monthly Higgins Group news update

Success on site



Over the last month Higgins Construction has seen the committed hard work of dedicated teams come to fruition as 4 major schemes have now been confirmed.

We are delighted to be working in partnership with A2Dominion to transform a dilapidated former council depot into hundreds of new homes in Commercial Road, Tower Hamlets, and provide a public square to give a sense of community for residents.

Another development in Tower Hamlets is Roman Place, a Circle Anglia scheme; here we will develop 208 homes in 5 blocks, up to 10 storeys high. This scheme will include

a basement car park and a new Tesco's (which will be the group's 2nd Tesco).

Streamlight, is a landmark development for Swan Housing Group in the Docklands. This will consist of 3 blocks with a 24 storey sleek tower block as a main feature. Once completed these homes will have some of the best views in London.

Craylands is a regeneration scheme that through the physical and social regeneration of the estate both Swan Housing Group and Higgins Construction aim to provide a community to be proud of and create a great place to live.

Many thanks to everyone who has played a part in these exciting projects.

Website gets an update

Technology moves on so quickly in today's modern world. With the Internet being pivotal to all communications it is imperative that we make the Groups websites as user friendly and informative as possible.

Therefore, following the success of Higgins Homes 're-launch', we are now looking at updating both the Higgins Group and Higgins Constructions websites.

A dedicated focus group has been established, which includes; Bryan Sabin, Steve Leakey, Martin Waller, Mark Freeman, Jeremy Marcus and Sam James but we would really like to



hear from you. Therefore, if you have any thoughts on how these sites can be improved or what should be included please email Sam James on sam.james@higginsconstruction.co.uk

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Higgins Homes Looking forward...



Higgins Homes has started the summer months with exciting steps forward. Following a challenging time in the property market we are delighted that we have now recommenced construction work at Ice, Stevenage (block B of 84 apartments) and the two

remaining blocks at Orion, Battersea.

Further good news is that we have also taken the decision to build the private housing at The Old Hospital, Maidstone (additional 74 units) and to start work at Prime, Hither Green, SE6 (60 x studio, one and two bedroom apartments). Both of these

projects have unique individual aspects that will create interest in the market.

With these exciting developments all underway Higgins Homes is looking forward to a busy 2009/2010 financial year. Full details of all the schemes can be found at www.higginshomes.co.uk

The Old Hospital, Maidstone

Higgins Construction Braintree Carnival celebrations



The Higgins community development team, working on the Greenfields Community Housing regeneration programme, took the opportunity to become part of the local community by enjoying a day as a stallholder at the annual Braintree Carnival.

Staff were on hand to help residents with any questions they had about the Decent Homes Works programme, and to show the quality of the products that would be used in their homes.

Higgins staff also developed a new relationship with a local Fruit and Farm Shop where 85% of the fruit and veg that is produced is sourced from a 20/25 radius of Braintree and our site office. As a result of this partnership we were able to offer free fresh fruit and vegetables to residents who visited our stall as part of a 'Five a Day' healthy living promotion.

This was a very successful day, where Higgins was able to make a positive impact on the local community.



WELCOMES

We would like to welcome **Paul Wilshire** who has recently joined Higgins Construction PLC as a Senior Projects Co-ordinator in Pre-Construction and welcome back **Nicola Thomas** who will be re-joining us as a Management Trainee in Pre-Construction, having previously worked for us as an Apprentice Plumber.

LONG SERVICE

We would like to send our thanks and best wishes to **Susan Andrews** who celebrates 10 years committed and dedicated work at Higgins Construction PLC.

A MINUTE WITH... KELLY BAKER

**Assistant Infrastructure Analyst
Information Systems Department**

Career highlight?
Working for Higgins

Professional inspiration?
Nicola Horlick

Development/project you would have liked to have been involved with? The IT infrastructure for the Higgins office.

Best advice? To every negative there is always a positive

Favourite film? How to lose a guy in 10 days

Favourite book? Katie Price/Jordan autobiography

Favourite Building?
The Gherkin

Favourite Song/Album?
Lady Gaga – The Fame

First Song/Album ever bought?
Bewitched – cest la vie

Favourite Restaurant? Nando's

One luxury you will keep despite the credit crunch? Mobile phone



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are sent to **Karen Kiely** who took part in the Playtex Moonlight Walk on Saturday 16th May raising money for Breast Cancer Research. Karen and her friends (26 of them) dressed as 'cave girls' and completed the 13 mile walk in 4.5 hours. Well Done !



BOWLING

Thank you to everyone who took part in yet another successful bowling evening - we are sure some of you are out practising secretly as there were some really impressive players!

Team result

- 1st) The Squeaky Cleans 813 points
- 2nd) Every Loser Wins 764 points
- 3rd) Going Spare 716 points

Individual result

- 1st) Nathan Fookes 178 points
- 2nd) Paula Simmons 169 points
- 3rd) Paul Garner 157 points



UPDATE ON THE GOSSIPING LEAGUE

If you wish to email your future tender gossips please send to the following email address **tendergossip@higginsconstruction.co.uk**

Department	Target	Tot	Department	Target	Tot
Pre Con Cost Mgmt	20	10	Surveying	40	18
Pre-Con Design Mgmt	70	60	Procurement	16	22
Pre-Con Development Mgmt	40	127	Site Mgmt	36	1
Contracts Mgmt	32	16	Support	4	6
			Total	258	260

We hope the information provided in this newsletter is clear and easily understandable, but should you require any further clarification, please contact: **020 8502 8398**

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