# New Homes on the Aintree Estate







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#### **Project Updates**

Higgins Partnerships are progressing works to build new homes on the Aintree Estate. In this newsletter, we want to give you some more information about the energy efficient, Passivhaus homes we are building.

#### How we're constructing sustainably

We are constructing the 134 new homes on the Aintree Estate development using the Passivhaus method.

Passivhaus construction prioritises energy efficiency, occupant comfort, and environmental sustainability. It reduces the need for bought-in energy by harnessing natural energy sources.

Passivhaus also significantly reduces energy consumption and carbon emissions, offering a comfortable and healthy environment for residents, and lower energy bills.

A Passivhaus building aims not to use as much energy in the first place by being effectively sealed against the elements. Features of Passivhaus homes include:

- Far greater insulation than typical UK properties.
- Triple glazing, with insulated frames.
- Impressive airtightness levels (around 20x more than a standard build).
- Mechanical ventilation, with heat recovery system attached.



Block A (Right) and Block CI (Background) from the Dawes Road site entrance

#### At a glance: Completed and Upcoming Works

#### Works carried out since November 2024

- Scaffold installation is complete on both blocks.
- External Steel Framing System and cement board installation completed in both blocks.
- Brickwork and internal partitions are ongoing in both blocks

#### **Upcoming Works**

- Brick and block work to continue.
- Roofing works to continue, on both blocks.
- Internal Drylining to commence.
- Internal Screeding to commence.

#### **Social Value and Community Engagement**

### Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank Donation

Higgins Partnerships along with our subcontractors were pleased to have donated food items along with a £50 donation to Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank. This contribution assisted the foodbank in providing crucial support to families and individuals facing food insecurity during the festive season.



## Tiny Forest Planting, Wormholt Park

Higgins Partnerships proudly joined forces with the community to bring a Tiny Forest to life in Wormholt Park, Hammersmith & Fulham. Our team contributed to planting native trees in this tennis-court-sized woodland that will soon serve as a thriving habitat for over 500 plant and animal species. Tiny Forests, part of a global initiative by Earthwatch, are mini urban woodlands designed to combat climate change, enhance biodiversity, and provide green spaces for people to enjoy. These forests clean the air, reduce urban heating, and create resilient neighbourhoods, showcasing the power of small-scale, impactful environmental projects.



#### **Project Factsheet**

- Building 134 new homes, 84% of which will be affordable and prioritised for local residents.
- High energy efficiency standards- all homes will be Passivhaus classic certified.
- Installing renewable energy technologies including solar panels and communal Air Source Heat Pumps.
- New play area and gym equipment in the communal outdoor spaces.
- Jobs and training opportunities for local residents throughout the construction.

#### Keeping You Up to Date

The Resident Liaison Officer (RLO) for the project will be keeping the community up to date through newsletters, noticeboards, and day-to-day queries.

Our Managing RLO, Joan Borzak is currently managing the project. Please e-mail or phone her if you have any queries about the construction works. See 'Project Contacts' details to the right.

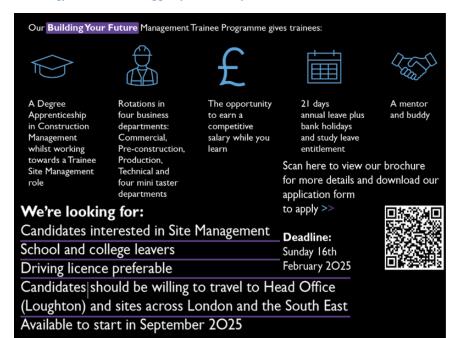
#### Visit the Project Website

Visit the Council's webpage to view or download copies of this newsletter and read the latest updates: www.lbhf.gov.uk/hartopplannoy



#### **Employment and Training**

Higgins Group's "Building Your Future" Management Trainee Programme is currently live. Please email your interest to: buildingyourfuture@higginspartnerships.co.uk



We have Apprenticeship, Jobs and Work Experience placement opportunities available on the project.

WE ARE RECRUITING

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please send your CV to: CSR@higginspartnerships.co.uk

#### **Project Contacts**

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### Site Working Hours

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