Dear Neighbour, welcome to the sixth construction newsletter for the Silchester Garages Project – a regular notice to keep you informed of the project’s progress. Please get in touch if you would like more information.

Project news
In the last period excavation for the basements of the new Freston Tower Block and the new Townhouses have progressed well.

Tower Crane Two has been erected behind the Shalfleet block.

Markland Gardens have been opened but at present there is still no lighting at night so alternative routes are strongly advised until this issue is resolved. We are working with the TMO and UK Power Networks street lighting division to find a solution as quickly as possible and thank you for your on-going patience regarding this matter. Additional lighting has been installed on the hoarding at either end of Shalfleet Drive.

We are pleased to inform you that BT, water and gas diversions are now completed.

Activities for the coming period
Construction of the Townhouses continues with works on Bramley Tower Block to commence shortly.

Piling to the Townhouse on Shalfleet Drive is planned to start in the coming weeks.

There will be some future works to form sewer connections into the highways areas on both Freston Road and Shalfleet Drive which may affect you. More information will be available shortly.

Community News
Through our corporate volunteering days, two groups from the Mace Construction team at Silchester Garages spent a day volunteering with Age UK K&C clearing the gardens of older people and people with disabilities on 28 August. The other volunteering day was with the Salvation Army on Portobello Road and on 25 September the volunteers helped prepare a disused yard into a pleasant outside area.

Volunteering Days
Team on right – Mace attending site for Age UK volunteering day

Team on left – Mace attending the Salvation Army on Portobello Road

Other Community News
The Mace site team recently hosted two educational days, one for the local Pupil Referral Unit and the other for the Harrow Club – the latter saw all 25 of the after school club attend. On both days local children were treated to an insight into the world of construction as well as being shown the ins and outs of the Silchester Garages project.

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Mace Monthly Safety Award

Every month we hand out a safety award to an individual who demonstrates best practice on site. This month the award goes to Kashmir Singh for diligence in everyday works, especially during period of wet weather when there was a need to jet wash all vehicles leaving site while also maintaining cleanliness of Shalfleet Drive road.

He was also observed to be exemplary in wearing of PPE and good working attitude.

Reducing our environmental impact at Silchester Garages

We take our environmental issues at Silchester Garages very seriously, therefore we thought we’d share with you some facts and figures about how we go about this.

Not so good news

On Friday 13th September a variety of objects including snooker balls were thrown from Frinstead House and narrowly missed hitting our construction workers. Missiles of this type could result in death or serious injury so we have been forced to involve the police and TMO and the culprits will face severe repercussions.

A meeting for Frinstead House residents was poorly attended so full contact details for Steph, your Resident Liaison Officer, are now displayed in the lobby notice board. All correspondence is treated as strictly confidential.

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