WINDDOW INSTALLATIONS - STATUS: ONGOING
For the last 8 weeks we’ve been installing windows to the A, B, C and lower ground floors, including the book binding and book archive areas. Whilst all the work is being carried out on the North and East elevations, within our compound, you may have heard the noise caused by drilling so we apologise for any inconvenience caused. This work will help the building achieve a BREEAM ‘Excellent’ rating.

RE-POINTING ELEVATIONS - STATUS: COMPLETE
We’ve replaced the mortar on all 4 elevations and you may have seen our team working on the scaffold. We are now working with the University’s Facilities Team to inspect the work that has been carried out and sign it off as completed.

NEW ROOF MEMBRANE - STATUS: ONGOING
The works to the existing roof are nearing completion and we’ve taken off the original membrane and replaced it with a new one. This work will also help the building achieve a BREEAM ‘Excellent’ rating.

INTERNAL WIRING - STATUS: ONGOING
We’re working across all 3 floors of the new library building carrying out wiring works for the new lighting, fire alarm and security systems. This work also includes data cabling and is set to continue for the next few weeks.

PARTITIONS AND 1ST FIX JOINERY - STATUS: ONGOING
Using partitions we’re creating the layout of the new library space, forming walls and rooms; this also involves plastering all of the new walls. We’re also carrying out 1st fix joinery which includes items like door frames and window sills.

To keep disruption to a minimum all of the works are being carried out on site between the hours of 08.00 and 16.00.

WHAT’S COMING UP:
The project is moving along at a considerable pace with the majority of structural and noisy works now completed. In total we’ve removed 650 tonnes of mixed waste from site of which 94.37% has been recycled.

Coming up in the next few weeks we’ll be installing floor coverings, carpets and specialist acoustic ceilings as the new space really begins to take shape.

All works are being delivered within the site boundary, with disruption to the surrounding live areas kept to a minimum.

WORKING TO ACHIEVE AN EXCELLENT RATING!!
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