



Castlewood House

Welcome to the first edition of Skanska's newsletter for the Castlewood House and Medius House project, a prestigious development in the heart of London. The building will provide high quality office accommodation, retail facilities, external landscaping and residential units.

Skanska will be taking over the project from the current contractor, DCUK, in June 2021. Before we begin, we will carry out a number of initial site set-up works. This will involve making adaptations to the hoardings and establishing on-site welfare facilities for staff. We have installed a number of welfare cabins within the site boundary and connected the site to temporary services such as electrics, water and sewerage. Further details of these works and anticipated timescales have been provided below.

Since being appointed, we have been in regular liaison with Camden Council and are part of the Construction Working Group to discuss the site's logistical set-up and agree a plan for the works. We intend to continue with the same set up currently in place until we reach the later stages, when we will need to make alterations to help facilitate the hard landscaping works. We will be providing more details on these works closer to the time.

Once set-up, we will begin installing a steel frame on the Castlewood site. This will be erected two levels at a time, starting from the south of the site (along Bucknall Street) and progressing north. We will then begin laying the floor slabs which are formed of decking and concrete.

We will also commence early works to the basement area. This will consist of fitting out the UKPN substation room, screeding the floor slabs and early setting up for blockwork wall installation.

On the Medius House site, set-up will consist of connecting the site to temporary power, installing riser grating and survey, and setting out works. We will then erect scaffolding to the perimeter of the building and install an external goods hoist, located in the terrace area on the south elevation of the building. This will provide vertical transportation for materials up to the higher levels.

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Key dates and activities

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On Saturday 22 May we installed welfare cabins within the boundary of the Castlewood House site.

During the end of w/c 17 May, we began working with UKPN to install a new temporary electrical supply to the site to provide power for the project until the new permanent UKPN.

A brief introduction to Skanska

Skanska is a Swedish construction company with expertise in construction, the development of commercial and residential projects and public-private partnerships. Skanska in the UK began its life as part of Trafalgar House, owning companies like Trollope and Colls, established in the London construction market in 1778. In 1996, Trafalgar House was sold to Kvaerner who then sold its construction business to Skanska in 2000.

We are responsible for building some of the most iconic buildings on London's skyline, including The Gherkin, Barts and the Royal London Hospitals and the 246m-high Heron Tower. We are currently constructing The Scalpel, another future landmark in the City of London.

Due to the nature of the industry, construction as a whole has a significant impact on the environment. Skanska is proud to have been recognised as a leading green company, not just in the construction industry but in the UK as a whole. We were named the UK's greenest company across all sectors by the Sunday Times in 2011, and continue our Journey to Deep Green aiming for net-zero environmental impact from all our projects.

We are also pushing the boundaries in safety with our Injury-Free Environment programme, ensuring that everybody on site is doing all they can to ensure everyone returns home safely at the end of the working day.

Skanska is an associate member of the Considerate Constructors Scheme. This Scheme was introduced in response to the need for the construction industry to improve its image.

Sites that register with the scheme are monitored against a Code of Considerate Practice which is designed to encourage best practice beyond statutory requirements.

The Castlewood House project has signed up to the scheme, which means we will run a safe, clean and environmentally friendly site that is respectful to you, our neighbours.



CGI of Castlewood House looking from Eamshaw Street



CGI of Castlewood House looking from New Oxford Street

So, what happens next?

Socially, Skanska has a strong commitment to the local communities with which we work, and we aim to ensure that any noise and disruption from our operations are kept to a minimum at all times. Site deliveries will be made via Bucknall St and Dyott St.

We will regularly publish newsletters throughout the course of the project to provide updates on progress and highlight any key important milestone dates.

Our team

The project team is always happy to answer any questions you have regarding the project. Key personnel and their contact information has been provided below.



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