

The Richmond Building, Clifton

The University is investing some £30m to put this building back into good repair and make it more sustainable and fit for the future.

The project presents an opportunity to organise all the facilities in the building so that they are best placed to meet the needs of those who use the building, and will create new spaces for existing activities, including the Students' Union, Anson Rooms and swimming pool, and new facilities including the Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies.

Phase 2 works will run from April 2013 until Autumn 2014 with the remaining areas of the North Block, including the Anson Rooms being targeted to be complete by September 2013. The South Block works including asbestos removal is anticipated to run from June 2013 until Autumn 2014.



Transforming a very large, tired 1960's concrete building into a vibrant, welcoming and sustainable facility for university students, staff and visitors

PHASE 2 of the refurbishment work is being carried out by main works contractor Galliford Try. Contractor RIS is carrying out asbestos removal within the South Block and link area.



Phase 2 refurbishment work

As the project moves forward, the number of deliveries and personnel working on site will increase. All deliveries to the site and any unloading of vehicles will be carried out from within the secure compound with access points on both Queens Road and Richmond Hill. Scaffold loading bays are located on both sides of the building to allow more efficient access to the upper floors, and a telehandler/forklift is being used to transport materials around site.

Works for July into August include:

- Work will start on installing glazed curtain walling along the Queens Road elevation of the Anson Rooms. There will also be a full height moveable acoustic wall installed behind the glazing to minimize noise from events held within the Anson Rooms.
- The old windows have now all been removed and work has started on installation of the new windows.
- Work on dry lining and plastering works is progressing well on all floors.
- Installation of steelwork to Anson Rooms has now started.
- Mechanical and electrical works are progressing well and ongoing on all floors.
- Internal blockwork walls are progressing well on the lower ground floor.
- Ongoing painting to soffits on the upper floors and Anson Rooms ceiling.
- RIS skips will be located at the top end of RHA along with a small hoist that will serve the south block. An external scaffold will be erected on the south elevation and part of the RHA elevation for access. The negative pressure fans associated with asbestos removal will be located on the South elevation to minimise noise disruption to RHA.

Site Working Hours

Normal hours of work will be Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm. The aim is to avoid weekend working, where possible, but if required times would be limited to Saturday 8.00am-1.00pm with noise kept to a minimum. For specific site/building issues contact:

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