

The Richmond Building, Clifton

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

Over a number of construction phases the project will create new spaces for existing activities, including the Students' Union, Anson Rooms and swimming pool; and new facilities including the International Foundation Programme.



Concept view (Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios)

Building Progress Update:

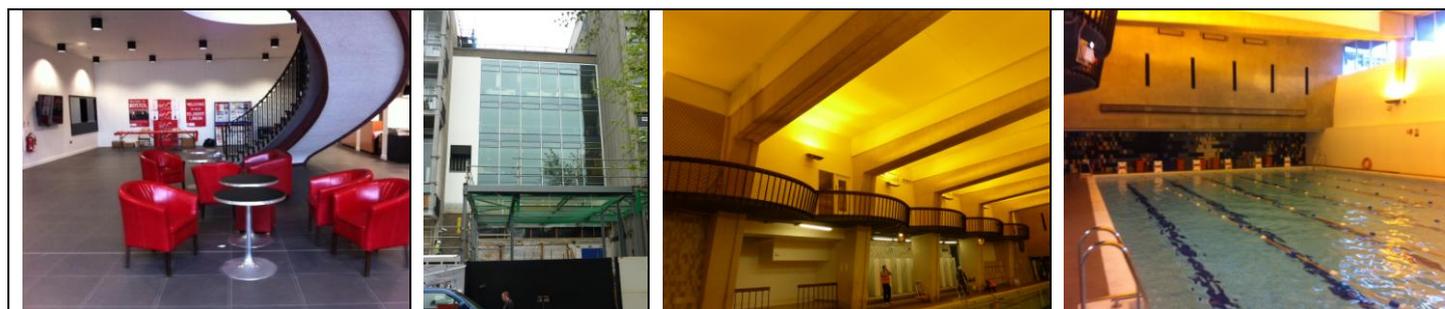
- The primary entrance to the Richmond Building has now reverted back to Richmond Hill Avenue and will remain so until January 2013 when the new Queens Road elevation entrance is due to be finished.
- Work continues on the new changing facilities, and the swimming pool is currently on schedule to reopen in January 2013. In the meantime, University of Bristol has limited use of the swimming pool with temporary changing facilities and access from Richmond Hill Avenue.
- As works on the higher levels of the North Block nears completion, the focus of building activity will move towards the refurbishment of the lower levels and basements areas.

Next phase of building works:

The next phase of enabling works on 'strip out' and asbestos removal to the remainder of the North Block will continue until March 2013. This will involve some noisy internal demolition type works. An additional skip, within a separate secure hoarding, will be located on Richmond Hill Avenue for these works.

Refurbishment works to all of North Block can then be carried out and completed ready for the start of term in September 2013. As the North Block becomes fully occupied again this will mark a major milestone in the project. Site activity will then move towards the Gordon Road Elevation of the building, refurbishing the South and Link buildings including the new café bar and Student Union facilities.

NB please note that Queens Road pavement will be closed from 9 November 2012-January 2013, in order to carry out works to the footpath. The pavement will be closed from Gordon Road along the frontage of the building. A temporary pedestrian walkway has been installed with suitable pedestrian signage and ramps.



The newly refurbished foyer, Queens Road frontage in progress and the swimming pool

General Movements of plant will continue throughout the month including

- Skip changes, delivery vehicles and some road works
- Hoist / crane movements
- Fork lift, dumper and diggers and compressors movement

Measures to minimise disruption to the local area continue:

- The hoist will operate between 8am – 6pm, Monday to Friday and until 1pm on Saturdays.
- Skip deliveries will be scheduled outside of major circulation times e.g. school runs/rush hour, and no skips will be delivered on Saturday pm or Sundays.
- Banksman will control traffic during delivery times.

Cowlin Construction is committed to the Considerate Contractor's scheme and may, from time to time, notify neighbours in adjacent streets of any specific works that might affect them.

If you have any queries relating to the works programme or require further information on the project please call AVRIL BAKER CONSULTANCY 0117 977 2002 or email info@abc-pr.co.uk