

SUMMARY REPORT

Construction Report up to end of February 2010

- The New Hospital Development is on Programme. Now in Week no 100 of the overall 235 Week programme.
- Progress up to and including February 2010 remains good. Laing O'Rourke are reporting 3.5 months ahead of programme on Phase 1a and 6.25 months ahead on Phase 1b. This is a slight deterioration on last months report. Phase 1a handover is still reported as 30 November 2010 which is in accordance with the agreed contract date.
- There has been a significant ramp up in manpower on the site which for the last month averaged 740. This reflects the number of finishing trades working on the site.
- A number of areas within the hospital are now closed down as Laing O'Rourke commence finishing works and commissioning work.
- The final tower crane has been dismantled and for the first time in nearly two years there are no tower cranes on the skyline.
- Work has commenced on the hospital front entrance which has necessitated the closure of the road below the Children's Ward. The Trust has established a two way system along the top road following the demolition of the old mortuary and out buildings
- External works to areas adjacent to the front entrance are progressing together areas at the rear of the site to accommodate liquid oxygen containers.
- Landscaping of internal courtyards are virtually complete including the planting of trees. Of particular note is the completed courtyard next to the Children's Outpatients department that has had installed the play equipment and play area..
- The ongoing co-operation of all parties during the work continues. All involved in the project endeavour to ensure minimal impact to patients, staff, public and neighbours during the works particularly with the operation of the existing hospital on the site.

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