

Summary Report.

Construction Report up to end of September 2009

- The New Hospital Development is on Programme. Now in Week no 79 of the overall 235 Week programme.
- Progress in September 2009 remains good with some elements of the construction up to 8.5 months ahead of the planned programme and generally a majority is 4 months ahead of programme. The contractor has reiterated that whilst the current programme indicates this advancement it is unlikely the project will be handed over in advance of the phased contractual handover dates but in accordance with the agreed dates.
- Manpower at present running at approximately 750 construction workers plus management and design team staff.
- The external facades are progressing very well and it is estimated that approximately 60% are now complete.
- The roof plant room structures are substantially complete on all 4 fingers plus the chiller enclosure is now complete.
- The flat roof construction is well advanced with stone finishes being laid.
- The internal wall partitioning is ongoing in all areas where not already complete together with floor screeds.
- Internal decoration is progressing well particularly on the lower floor levels.
- False ceiling grids have commenced also on the lower floor levels to a couple of the fingers
- Door frames are being installed.
- Vinyl floor laying has commenced.
- Multi storey car park structure is complete and the brickwork cladding is in progress.
- Installation of ductwork is well advanced within all plantrooms together with all floor levels in the wings. Air handling units are also being installed in all the plantrooms.
- Dual fuel boilers together with the bio-mass boiler installed
- The installation of the medical gases pipework is progressing well together with the testing.
- Installation of the electrical services is progressing well with the installation of sub-mains distribution boards and cabling on all floors. First fix cabling ongoing as partitioning progresses. Light fitting in ceiling grids has also commenced.

- Lift installation are ongoing in all lift shafts including lift doors, lift cars and control wiring.
- The pneumatic tube system is progressing through the floors including the divertor stations.
- Domestic water services, heating and chilled water systems are progressing with pressure testing ongoing.
- Only 2 of the original 5 tower cranes now remain on site.
- The ongoing co-operation of all parties during the works is appreciated by the Trust and the contractor Laing O'Rourke during the construction of this major facility. 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.