

MRC London Institute of Medical Sciences (LMS)



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

During this period the remaining chimneys were successfully lifted into place, with all three now in their final locations on the ninth level. We have completed the application of intumescent paint to the structural steel on the eighth and ninth levels. This has allowed the installation of roof rib decking to the central section of the ninth floor, with the remainder of the decking due for completion this week. This will allow the carpenters to begin on the timber roof ahead of the installation of the Bauder roofing system. The screeding has also progressed to the eighth floor with the dry lining works following closely behind.

The external cladding is progressing on seventh and eighth floors, and once complete, a scaffold strike sequence will commence.

The internal works continue to be heavily based on the installation of the mechanical and electrical services before the dry liners go back into areas to close up the walls and install ceilings in preparation for the finishing trades.

We have struck the scaffold around the substations at the north west corner of the site in preparation for the installation of the UKPN plant at the end of this week.

In the period we have also reintroduced our Phase 1 traffic management plan at the Du Cane Road end of East Gate Road, to excavate for the final gas main connection to the project. These works will take one week to complete before the road can be reopened.

CHARITY UPDATE

During this period several MRC staff members took part in a charity 5-a-side football tournament.

Walter Lilly entered two teams into a charity 5-a-side tournament hosted by Priory Mechanical Services to raise funds for Chasing Connor's Cure at Croydon's Powerleague.

A total of 18 teams entered the tournament with a format consisting of three groups of six teams, followed by quarter finals, semi-finals and the grand final.

Everyone enjoyed themselves and came through unscathed, but most importantly the event raised £2,700 towards Team Connor's total target of £80,000, increasing the total raised to date to over £58,000.

More events are being planned throughout the year to raise as much money as possible, with the main event being the 'London to Paris 24hr bike ride' commencing on 10 September by 28 cyclists, three of whom are from Walter Lilly including Stuart Kennedy, our Design Manager here at MRC.

If you wish to donate to this very worthy cause and for more info please go to [the Chasing Connor's Cure website](#).



TOPPING OUT CEREMONY

On Friday 2 July we held a Topping Out Ceremony on site to celebrate the progress of the building to date, albeit a little later than previously planned due to COVID-19 restrictions postponing previous plans.

The practice of “topping out” a new building can be traced to the ancient Scandinavian religious rite of placing a tree atop a new building to appease the tree-dwelling spirits displaced in its construction. Long an important component of timber frame building, it migrated initially to England and Northern Europe, thence to the Americas.

For this ceremony we placed a pine tree at the ninth level and several dignitaries layed some concrete into a timber box, forming a concrete base on which a ceremonial engraved trowel will be placed to create a commemorative ornament of LMS MRC.



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