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Dear KGH Trust, Estates, Staff, Patients & Visitors

SUBJECT: PROJECT 55, KETTERING GENERAL HOSPITAL



This newsletter is to keep you informed of the progress being made on the new Project 55 building.

As you may have noticed over the last few weeks, we have erected a lot of scaffolding around the building. This is in order to apply the insulated render system to form the façade of the building, which started a couple of weeks ago. Whilst the majority of the render is white, there are small panels next to some of the windows, which vary from green, blue, red and yellow. The white block work is continuing to be installed around the building, there are now only two sides of the building, which are not yet complete. The Kingspan AFS panels have progressed well and should be completed within the next two weeks.



Kingspan AFS panels being installed



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Inside the building, things are beginning to take shape. We have started constructing internal walls to the second and first floors with a view to carrying out works to the ground floor in the next week or so.



Corridor walls and M&E modules to second floor



Corridor walls and M&E Modules to first floor

One of several innovative ideas being implemented on site is the use of pre fabricated mechanical and electrical modules. Rather than having lots of material delivered to site and then a team of 20 plumbers and 20 electricians working on each floor, we have had deliveries of pre made modules which are simply lifted into position, fixed with threaded bar and bolts and connected together using standard pipe and electrical fittings. Not only has it saved a lot of time on site, but it has reduced the number of vehicles on site, the amount of noise generated by cutting pipe and the amount of men required.

Over the next three or four weeks we will be installing the permanent roof, finishing off the rendering to the façade, installing windows, plastering internal walls and making the breakthrough into the existing main building.

Last month we undertook some works on the road out of the hospital in order to install pipework to the existing hospital ducting. I would like to thank you all for your patience during this work and for your continued help.

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