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Port of Leith – Outer Berth

Construction Phase Newsletter

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Welcome

To the second edition of our quarterly newsletter, where we will be sharing information about the project, progress and how our team is engaging with the local community.

Forth Ports is investing in the creation of a bespoke, riverside marine berth capable of accommodating the world's largest offshore wind installation vessels. Once complete, the Port of Leith will be home to Scotland's largest and best located renewable energy hub.



Project update

- Construction of the 120m long quay deck is complete. 4,000m3 of concrete and 500t of steel reinforcement has been used in the construction of the deck.
- Construction of the reinforced concrete transition slab is 50% complete. The transition slab links the rear storage area to the concrete deck.
- The final phase of dredging is ongoing, the dredger is creating a berthing pocket to a level of -9.0mCD adjacent to the new quay.
- The creation of the rear storage area is progressing, circa 15,000m3 of site won fill material shall be used to achieve the required surface levels.

Piling Works

From June 17th we will begin a 6-week programme of pile installation works to facilitate the deepening of the navigational channel. Sporadic piling will take place Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:00am and 6:30pm and between 9:00am and 15.00pm on Saturdays.

We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

What's next

- Fender installation has commenced. The purpose of the fenders is to absorb the kinetic energy of a berthing vessel and thus prevent damage to the vessel or the berthing structure.
- The purpose of cathodic protection is to control the corrosion of the piles. The remaining preventative protection will be installed by divers from May onwards.
- We are on track to be ready to welcome vessels soon.

Community Investment

- The project to date has invested £5,132 in community activities
- Provided careers advice to 197 school pupils
- Participated in 31 employability support initiatives.





Above: Talking Careers with Leith Academy Left: Students from Working Rite

Still to Come

GRAHAM staff continue to work in collaboration with Speakers for Schools by sharing our experiences of working in the Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) sector, offering site visits and providing information on various routes into STEM careers.

We are delivering a Careers in Engineering workshop at Leith Academy on 12th June. We'll be providing a progress update on the project ahead of a planned site visit on 17th June. The site visit will be for those pupils that are interested to learn more careers, the project and to see first-hand how a live site operates.

Considerate Constructors

This site is registered under the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS) and as Partner, GRAHAM is committed to improving the image of the construction industry by striving to promote and achieve best practice of all its sites under the following code:

- Respect the Community
- Care for the Environment
- Value their Workforce

The project scored 44/45 achieving a standard of excellent at its recent CCS Audit.

Keep Up to Date

Regular project updates can be found at: https://www.graham.co.uk/port-of-leith-outer-berth

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