



### Issue #4 – August 2023

Welcome to the fourth edition of our quarterly update, looking at the work we've been doing recently at the Pentre Awel site. The spring months were busy, and we have continued to make excellent progress on site.

The piling works have completed and the two piling rigs, affectionately named 'Sharon' and 'Nina' have left site, making room for other heavy machinery in the form of excavators, dumpers and mobile cranes, as the project moves from a substructure (belowground) to superstructure (aboveground) phase. This will be an exciting period as the steel frame will be built over the coming months will be the first structure appearing above the hoarding.

### Site works

Our groundworkers are progressing the foundations of the building and digging the swimming pool. The team has been working hard to get the main car park ready for surfacing, which will happen at the end of September. The car park, which will serve as the main car park to Zone 1, will have space for over 300 cars. Completing this element of works early in the project will free up this space and provide more than enough parking for the 250 construction workers we anticipate being on site during the peak of the works in early 2024.

We are pleased to be working with local business Shufflebottom of Cross Hands, who began the manufacture of the frame in July, with first sections of steel arriving in the first week of August. The erection of the frame will take around 5 months and is due to be complete by December 2023.



### Proposed timeline

Cut down piles and form pile caps  
**(End of March - September 2023)**

Swimming pool structure  
**(July 2023 – December 2023)**

Fence off perimeter of Dafen Lake and construct foot paths  
**(July 2023 – September 2024)**

Construct new car park  
**(April 2023 – September 2024)**

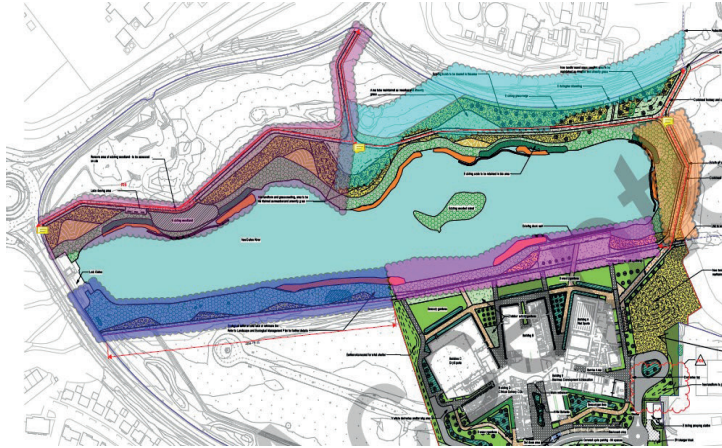
Complete steel superstructure  
**(July 2023 – December 2023)**

Habitat enhancement to edge of Dafen lake  
**(October 2023 – March 2024)**



Members of Carmarthenshire County Council joined the Bouygues UK team to celebrate the commencement of the superstructure steel, a key milestone.

Construction of the new footpath has started at the south-west corner of the lake. Works to the footpath will be completed in stages over the next 12 months, with additional planting to the lake edge which will enhance the existing landscape around the lake.



The project had its first visit from the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS) in June and we are pleased to announce that we received full marks (45/45)! The scheme is a recognised independent partner, supporting the construction industry to raise standards and work proactively to build trusting relationships with the communities which we work in. The site will be visited on 3 more occasions and the team are determined to keep the perfect score.

**Please let us know if you experience any issues or would like more information:**

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### Community surgery

We will be holding our next Community Surgery on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023, 5pm-6pm. Please drop into the site office to find out more about what has been happening on site, ask any questions about upcoming works or voice any concerns.

### Social Value update

In June we saw the launch of our real-world work experience with a cohort of 8–14-year-olds from, Ysgol Pen Rhos, Bryngwyn School, Coedcae School, St John Lloyd and Ysgol Y Strade. Working in groups the learners will undertake a design brief challenge from July to October working with Bouygues UK mentors to respond to the brief, before presenting their ideas in October. An innovative way of delivering work experience and education engagement, this project is being run in partnership with Carmarthenshire County Council.

Bouygues UK attended the Urdd Eisteddfod for the very first time alongside Carmarthenshire County Council. During the week we held a Minecraft build challenge using Pentre Awel as inspiration to build their own health and wellbeing facility. A great opportunity for our Welsh speaking members of staff to volunteer to get involved in a much-loved Welsh language event!

We have held 3 employment hubs at our site office with our recruitment partner Acorn Recruitment. The hubs are an opportunity to talk about the construction industry, the range of employment opportunities in the industry and the construction employment opportunities that will be available during the construction of Zone1.



### Did You Know?

CCC has recently launched its new project webpages for Pentre Awel. If you are interested in learning more about Zone 1 or future phases, use the QR code below:



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