### Community update

# 81 Newgate Street

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Welcome to the second of our community updates for 81 Newgate Street

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### Initial works

Local people and those passing the site will have seen works getting underway, though so far there has been very little obvious change to the appearance of the site. BT are due to leave at the beginning of February and move to their new home in Aldgate.

Progress is going well on the first phase of works which includes soil investigations being carried out in the hoarded compound adjacent to the building on King Edward Street. Within this area, work is taking place to confirm the ground conditions, as well as the removal of two large disused oil tanks. These works have required the removal of three trees, which will be replaced later in the project as part of the new landscaping.

Archaeological works have also commenced. A team from PCA are investigating the area to the south of the compound on King Edward Street.

The most immediate change people will see to the building is the erection of a scaffold. This will encase the entire building and be covered in monarflex sheeting, which will both reduce noise and retain any dust.

The works taking place are the first stages of a radical makeover that will mean that 81 Newgate Street will become one of the most environmentally efficient friendly buildings in the City.

The approaches being taken include reuse of the existing structure of the building, reincorporating 1,500 tons of Portland stone and granite, the inclusion of new technologies including solar panels and ground source heat pumps. Taking an embodied carbon approach where the impacts of the manufacturing processes of materials are monitored and evaluated will all help to reduce the carbon footprint of the building.



# Upcoming activities

#### **Pavement closures**

All of the pavements immediately adjacent to the site and the crossing points to them will be closed during the course of the project.

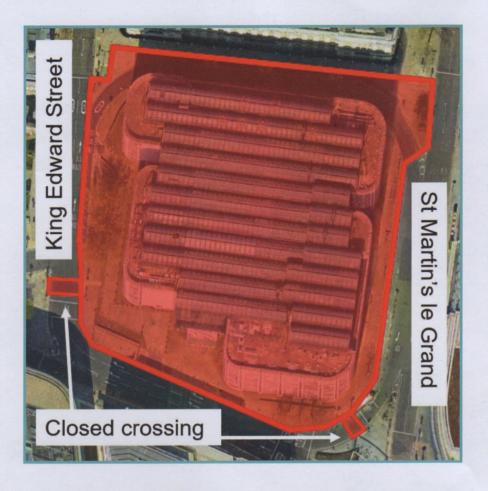
Angel Street will remain open to pedestrians. Buses will not use Angel Street and will be redirected. The coach and taxi bays will be closed.

From early February a hoarding will be installed around the entire building creating an isolated island site.

#### Tower crane installation

A tower crane will be delivered during March, the installation of which will require a temporary road closure of St Martin's le Grand.

Later on in the year, our welfare cabins, which provide changing rooms and canteen facilities for our workforce, will be installed on a gantry that will be placed above Angel Street.



#### **Environmental Monitoring**

Another element that is being installed so that it is in place ahead of the start of main works is the installation and commissioning of our environmental monitoring system, which comprises of noise, dust, and vibration monitors on each elevation of the building. The system will monitor impacts in real time and should any trigger levels that have been agreed with the City of London be reached, our management team would be immediately alerted.

### Milestone progress













#### August 2021

Ground investigation works and archaeology

#### October 2021

Site preparatory works commence

#### February 2022 Start of main

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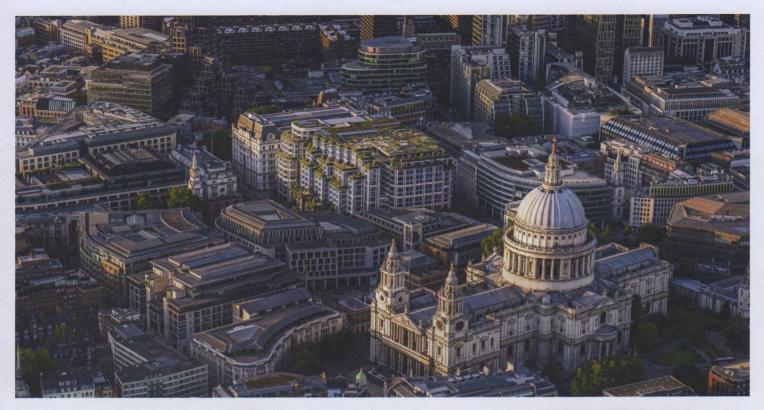
# March 2025 Project completion

### Public meeting:

We will be holding a public meeting at 6:00pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March. This will be in the site offices. If you are interested in attending please email Jack Lawrence at jack.lawrence@macegroup.com who will be able to send you details of the meeting.



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# Employment & Skills - Meet the team

During the course of the project the Mace team will be working to create employment and skills training openings, as well as job opportunities for local people within both Mace and our supply chain. This will target opportunities for people living within the City of London as well as from the adjacent neighbouring Boroughs.

Mace operates both central group Graduate and Employments schemes. These are 4-year programmes, with places being highly sought after, where as well as formalised training in their specialisms, the young people are placed on our construction projects. At 81 Newgate Street we will have two Mace apprentices.

Ali is a 19-year-old apprentice who has recently joined the project as an Assistant Construction Manager. He is completing a HNC Level 4 Site

Supervisor. When he is not at work, he likes to spend time on the football pitch. Unfortunately, as for many of us, his dream of a career as a professional goalkeeper did not become a reality.

He is certainly pro-active and in addition to his full-time role with Mace he likes to make a bit of extra money buying and selling rare and vintage trainers. Thankfully this has been slightly more successful than his ambition to become a professional footballer!

His dream of becoming a footballer player didn't come true but he has taken upon himself to give younger kids in his area the chance to get the most out of the game possible, on the weekends he has chosen to volunteer his time to coach a youth football team.





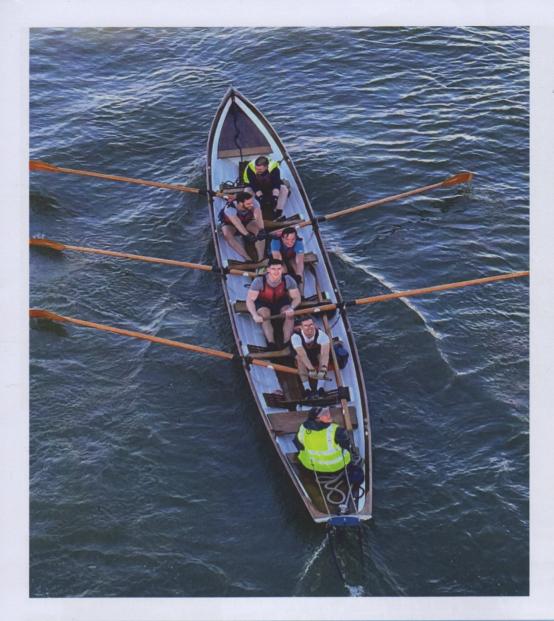
## Site operating hours:

Monday to Friday 8:00am-18:30pm Saturdays 9.00am-14.00pm

The sites main operating hours above will ensure that any demolition, earth removal, piling work and mechanical building operations are confined to these hours. Outside these times there may be personnel on site; however their activities will be restricted so as not to disrupt the local community.



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### Contacts:

We are always keen to improve our relations with our neighbours and would welcome any suggestions you may have.

#### **Your Project Director**



**Christopher Harrison** 

### **Your Project Lead**



Leo Delaney

## Community investment

Everyone on the project will be given opportunities to take part in community investment activities, which can include volunteering and charitable fundraising.

These have already started with collections having taken place in the run up to Christmas and last year when the team took part in a

fundraising event in support of the Ahoy Centre in Greenwich (www.better.org.uk), a multipurpose community facility combining local leisure and library services.

Racing against another Mace project, the team rowed the 8.5 miles from Chelsea to Greenwich and raised £5,000. It was a brilliant experience for

the participants, that only might have been a little better if it had not been taking place during torrential rain.

We are looking for local partnerships and volunteering opportunities, so please let us know using the below contact details if you have any suggestions.

### Enquiries

#### For enquiries please contact:

Jack Lawrence, Senior Community Engagement Manager

Email: jack.lawrence@macegroup.com

Alternatively, please find emergency contact details for staff on duty displayed on the project noticeboard outside the site entrance on Angel Street.



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