



Bi-Monthly Melbourn Parish Council Progress Update – Project Birchwood

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Progress Update

Works have been progressing as scheduled over the past month despite challenging weather caused by frequent downpours and wind! We are now progressing the construction of the Hive building superstructure and completing the groundworks of the main building and will be moving our focus to the other two buildings, the Technology Barn and the Forum.

We are pleased to now have the perimeter roadway and car park complete, meaning that the site will be a quieter and mud-free environment moving forward!

Looking forward over the forthcoming months, the steel frame of the Tech Barn will commence as well as the continuation of the Hive concrete frame. The external utility installation works will also progress, with our aim being to complete most of the groundworks by the Spring '22.

Neighbourly Relations

We have committed to participating in the following local initiatives:

- Resurfacing Melbourn Hub exterior
- Neighbour Event – Meeting and tour of the site with residents of Moat Lane.
- Landscaping Melbourn Hub frontage
- River Mel: provision and delivery of chalk for bank reinforcement works
- Melbourn Village College student engagement
- Meldreth station access path safety works

We have been made aware of some isolated instances of our HGV's turning right towards the Village. We apologise for this and assure stakeholders that we are using our best endeavours to prevent this, including the installation of AA signage on the A10 and through the village to supplement our site gate staff and site signage and communication. We have seen a significant improvement in this since the installation of the signs.

Thank You,

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Photo Record:



Figure 1 – New office set up



Figure 2 – Example of stoned path around site



Figure 3 and 4 – New tarmac road leading into the site



Figure 5 and 6 – Views of the hive from across the slab and from the front



Figure 7 – Aerial Photo 24th September