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# NEW VELINDRE CANCER CENTRE

NEWS UPDATE



Welcome to the first Sacyr UK new Velindre Cancer Centre project quarterly news update. Here we will tell you about progress on site, what is going on within the community, as well as opportunities for community involvement and green initiatives.

## Culture

Acorn, the consortium behind the new Velindre Cancer Centre, has launched a dedicated website on the project.

Updates on the build, as well as news on community events and green initiatives will all be uploaded to the website, so you can learn more about the project or to get in touch with the project team. Visit the website at: newvelindre.info



In April, Whitchurch residents were invited to a community presentation at the village's Rugby Club to hear more about the design and build process at the new Velindre Cancer Centre, as well as getting a chance to look at a model of the centre.

Attendees were treated to Welsh cakes made by local business Bakery Treat Boxes and were also introduced to a new project timeline illustration, created by local designer Natalie Vaughan and local illustrator Jodie Welsh.

Representatives from the Acorn Consortium, Sacyr UK, and Velindre NHS Trust project teams attended the meeting to answer any questions residents may have had, and a suggestion letterbox was opened for people to propose any initiatives they would like to support.

Another resident drop-in was scheduled for late June, at the Noddfa building at 19 Park Road by the Velindre Cancer Centre rear car park, where members of the Acorn, Sacyr and Velindre team were on hand to discuss progress on our works and answer any questions. Residents' meetings will continue to take place every last Wednesday

of the month for the duration of the construction programme.

### **Nature**

The new Velindre Cancer Care Centre project team has formed a partnership with 2B Enterprising to support local schools – Whitchurch, Tongwynlais, and Gwaelod-y-Garth Primary schools – with its Bumbles of Honeywood programme.

The programme helps inspire young minds and support the development of key entrepreneurial skills through educational support tools and books.

The project team will work collaboratively with these three schools for the next two years. With the support of their esteemed supply chain and education partners, the project team will provide STEM engagement activities (science, technology, engineering and maths) for pupils of all ages.

Sacyr, the appointed contractor building the new Velindre Cancer Centre, has agreed a partnership with Cynnal Cymru, one of Wales' leading sustainability training and advice organisations, to deliver carbon literacy accredited training to educate its construction workers and members of the local community in July.



The course will teach participants about the links between human activity and climate change while empowering people to take action to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. It will also teach people how

to make positive action to how they live, work and behave to reduce their emissions and in turn help climate change.

For more information about how residents can enrol onto one of the supplemented carbon literacy courses, email: contact@newvelindre.info

### **Future**

The project team has already been busy putting key measures in place to minimise any impact from the build of the new cancer centre including:

- During term time no HGV vehicles will enter the site via the TCAR2 access (Park Road) between 8.15am to 8.45am and 3.15pm to 3.45pm
- Typical site working hours are from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays
- Two noise, air quality, and vibration monitoring stations have been installed, with a further 11 installed offsite
- A wheel washer has been installed to ensure the road is clear of mud and debris

The team at Sacyr UK have partnered with Cardiff and Vale College with plans to provide construction apprentice opportunities in the near future. More details will be released on the website soon, so keep an eye out for updates at *newvelindre.info* 

Sacyr has also achieved full marks in its audit by the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS). The CCS is a code of conduct where contractors register to the highest standards in the industry, which includes to respect the community, care for the environment, and value its workforce.

Sacyr UK's Project lead at Velindre Cancer Centre, Maria Ortega Carreras, said of the audit:

"Our full marks in the CCS audit on site reflects the commitment of our talented project team, with the least impact to the community being the golden thread through all our decision making."