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Currently traffic into the city centre relies on the M275, which is not only congested but also acts as a barrier to developments in the city.

A new road layout has been devised with the aim of easing traffic flow and opening up land for development. The scheme comprises modification of the existing road network around the A3 southwards from the junction with Princess Royal Way to the junction with Unicorn Road, including construction of a new

link road between Flathouse Road and the A3 south of Herbert Street.

The contract notice for the Portsmouth city centre road re-development, now published, reveals that the council wants a contractor in place by the end of October and to have design completed and work on site starting in the third quarter of 2019. The aim would then be to have the job finished by autumn 2021.

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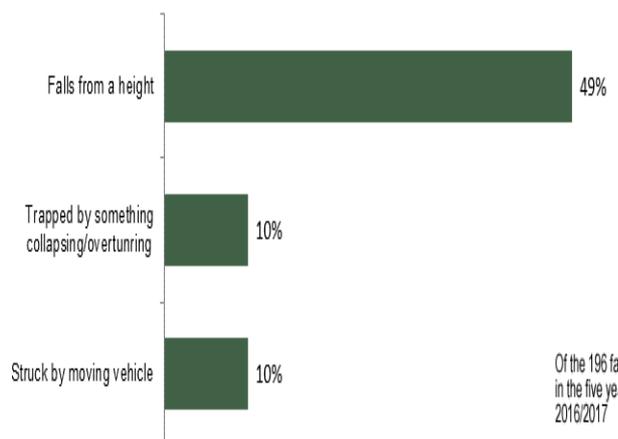
Health and safety statistics for the construction sector in Great Britain

80,000 workers suffering from – related ill health each year (LFS)

30 Fatal injuries to workers in 2016 -17 (RIDDOR)

64,000 non-fatal injuries to workers each year (LFS)

Fatal injuries to workers by main accident kind



Battersea Power Station phase two



One of two major projects on this list that are being overseen by Mace, phase two of Battersea Power Station was not without its problems last year.

Spiralling costs saw main contractor Skanska and client Battersea Power Station Development Company mutually agree to end the former's association with the job, with Mace stepping in as construction manager.

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Grenfell Tower



The fire at Grenfell Tower will live long in the memory of everyone involved with the built environment. With the inquiry ramping up in earnest in 2018, the tragedy will have wide-ranging implications for construction. The question of what to do with the building itself, though, has yet to be resolved. Grenfell Tower

still stands out like a scar on west London's skyline, a constant reminder of the failings of the building and the lives that were lost.

2018 is likely to see a decision taken, with most expecting the tower to be demolished altogether – which, if it happens, would be the most high-profile and sensitive demolition project since the recovery operation.

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First Hard hat recycling scheme launched



Viridor has launched what it claims is the first recycling scheme for hard hats to divert them from landfill. With the life-span of a hard-hat at just two to five years, thousands are binned

every month. Now waste management company Viridor is working with Devon plastic recycling specialist Polymer Industries to give old hard hats new life as plastic products such as refuse bins. "Hard hats aren't accepted for commercial recycling due to their complex plastic composition but we know our customers want us to identify a circular economy solution," said Viridor account manager Ian Poyser.

A trial has been rolled out with Babcock International Group, resulting in 1,200 hat hats recycled to date, with more expected as the trial progresses. Polymer Industries managing director Jason Goozée said: "We are working with Viridor in a way where I believe there has been no real commercial solution to date. Along with Viridor, we see that with the correct infrastructure and process capabilities in place, we can convert conventional waste into a reusable commodity.

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