

Southern Region Newsletter



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Kent

House-builder Berkeley Group is planning to build modular housing components in a factory in Kent.



Berkeley prototypes at Kidbrooke Village
Berkeley Group has submitted a planning application for a 160,000 square foot facility in Gravesham in Kent. It bought the site from the Homes & Communities Agency. "We have assembled a team of specialists who are working with the group's construction teams to design the factory space with the first components undergoing testing," said Berkeley chief executive Rob Perrins. Berkeley has already put a toe in the water with 22 prototype modular homes at its Kidbrooke Village housing development in southeast London.

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Port of Tilbury

Port of Tilbury London is inviting expressions of interest from contractors for an £80m slice of its expansion programme. The Planning Inspectorate is currently considering a development consent order (DCO) application from the Port of Tilbury to build a new port terminal, Tilbury2. The application was submitted on 31st October 2017

and final determination of the application by the secretary of state is expected in February 2019. Tilbury2 is a substantial part of the port's £1bn expansion plans.



Above: Tilbury docks

If it gets the go-ahead, Tilbury2 will be built on a 152-acre site that was part of the former Tilbury Power Station and will include a new deep-water jetty in the river Thames. The proposed terminal will act as a satellite of the main port, with a roll on/roll off ferry terminal for importing and exporting containers and trailers. Tilbury2 is also likely to include a facility for importing and processing bulk construction materials as well as storage of a variety of goods, including cars.

The port is now asking contractors to show interest in an £80m tranche of civil engineering works. The procurement will be split into two contracts, a marine works contract and a terrestrial works contract, on fixed price design and build contracts using the Infrastructure Conditions of Contract (ICC) terms and conditions incorporating Tilbury-specific amendments. The formal contract notice is expected to be published on 22nd March 2018.

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**AGM and National Rally
Saturday 30th June 2018**





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Leigh Park Country House Hotel & Vineyard. Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire. Please book asap.

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Minas commences Southampton Student halls

Having already undertaken preliminary work, ground preparation and excavations in readiness for the start of piling work for foundations Midas Construction is set to start main building works on a £30m student accommodation scheme in Southampton city



The Cumberland Place development has been designed by Architecture PLB. The 12-storey student halls development at Cumberland Place, close to Watts Park in the city centre, will provide 527 student beds, ground floor commercial space, a common room, management suite and ancillary buildings. The project is due for completion in August 2019. Mike Skilton, director of Architecture PLB, who designed the 12-storey concrete

framed building, said: "The building is conceived as three blocks formed around an open south-facing courtyard, fronting on to

Cumberland Place and the opposite park. The three blocks are differentiated by height, elevational treatment and materials to assist the urban scale of the building. "The cool, modern design refers to its historic setting overlooking the city's listed central parks. An open colonnade to the southwest corner fronts one of the shared facilities/ retail areas and leads around the side of the courtyard to the residential entrance, at the back of the courtyard. Retail and shared facilities for the residential accommodation above, provide an active frontage to the ground floor."

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Hampshire

Hampshire County Council and Devon County Council are inviting expressions of interest from contractors to establish a successor framework to their existing Southern Construction the SCF framework currently delivers construction capital projects to around 50 public sector clients across the south of England. Current annual spend through the framework is approximately £800m. The new SCF framework will operate for four years, starting from April 2019. Total value is estimated at £5.25bn. The contract notices say: "This opportunity would suit contractors who embrace best practice in early contractor involvement, collaborative working and two-stage open book contracts on projects varying in size from £2m to potentially in excess of £200m." The framework will include pre and post contract construction services for the management and development of projects.

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