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Eric Richards

It is also with sadness that I have to report that Eric Richards, FICConstM, Southern Region passed away on the 14th December 2018.

Eric organised his region Dinner and Dances also National Rallies over the years. He served as National President as well as Region Chairman, a long standing member who supported all the rallies and local events. He will be sadly missed

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Birmingham

How the Birmingham's Commonwealth Games Village could look The Commonwealth Games Village, proposed to be built on the site of the former Birmingham City University campus in Perry Barr, would be large enough to accommodate the 6,500 athletes and officials coming to Birmingham in the summer of 2022. Located very close to The Alexander Stadium the accommodation will also feature a running track and green spaces.



The master plan of the Commonwealth Games Village has been developed by Glancy Nicholls Architects John Crabtree, Chair of the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games Organising Committee, said: "In the seven

months since being awarded the 2022 Games there has been a lot of work done to prepare this planning application. "Now is the time for anyone with an interest in the regeneration of Perry Barr to look at our plans in detail and give feedback to the city council planners. "We want the people of the West Midlands to have ownership of the Games and this is one of the first significant ways in which they can do that."

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Nottingham

GF Tomlinson has started work on a £30m heritage project at Nottingham Castle.



Financed by a £13.9m Heritage Lottery Fund grant, Nottingham Castle is being refurbished to draw the tourists.

The first stage will see the construction of a new visitor centre and an extension to the Ducal Palace, where Robin Hood and Rebellion galleries will be created.

The goal is that after completion in 2020 visitor numbers will more than double to 400,000 a year.

GF Tomlinson was appointed by project lead Nottingham City Council on the back of its track record in the heritage sector.

Works also include refurbishment of the Ducal Palace, with various galleries being created to showcase the castle's art collection, and landscaping works to the grounds.



GF Tomlinson managing director Andy Swards said: "Nottingham Castle is one of the city's greatest treasures, with people from all over the world aware of its rich history. We understand the importance of the redevelopment of the castle and the benefits this will bring to the local economy, so it's an honour to have been chosen to deliver such important works."

Warwick

Third Warwick Uni project for Kier. The University of Warwick has contracted Kier to build its £10m Degree Apprenticeship Centre.



Kier will build a three-storey 2,400 m² development centre on the University of Warwick campus for the Warwick Manufacturing Group (WMG).

This is the third project that Kier is on-site constructing at the university and marks the third WMG project it has been appointed to deliver.

Kier is currently constructing the £7.2m Materials Engineering Centre at the University of Warwick for WMG and is also on site delivering more than 1,000 student rooms at the university, including the £57m Cryfield Student Village.

The Degree Apprenticeship Centre will have teaching rooms, breakout space for students, employee offices, a laboratory and a wind tunnel to be used for transportation aerodynamics. It will have capacity for 1,000 students on training programmes up to Level 7 (master's degree level).

Construction work started has started on site and is scheduled to be completed in 2019.

Hereford

Britcon have been appointed as main contractor for the construction of a £6m business park development in Hereford by Commercial property developer Priority Space.

Centenary Park offices

The company will build a 68,000 sq. ft development over two phases at Centenary Park in Hereford.



Centenary Park is a collaboration with Herefordshire County Council to deliver 60 new business units at Skylon Park, a 110-acre business site located in the Hereford Enterprise Zone. The project is the largest speculative industrial and office investment in Hereford since the 1950s.

Britcon is now on-site delivering phase one which includes 17,000 sq ft of industrial space for completion early this year and 18,000 sq. ft of offices which will be ready by spring 2019.

Britcon managing director Paul Clarkson "We have already successfully completed three previous design and build projects with the team and look forward to cementing our relationship further with Skylon Park."

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