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#### **Manchester**

Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service has contracted Bolton-based Seddon to refurbish eight fire stations. The one-year deal will cover general maintenance and fire-proofing timber and walls, ensuring the stations achieve class 0 of the BS 476 building regulations, which specifies that buildings must demonstrate a high level of fire and heat resistance.



Seddon has now commenced works at Leigh and Oldham stations having already completed works at Bolton North station Danny McCann, head of painting services for Seddon, said: "Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service plays a vital role in the community and it's an honour to be chosen to carry out important maintenance works on its buildings.

Our refurbishments will ensure that they meet the latest fire safety standards and our dedicated team will work closely with them to ensure it's delivered to the highest standard."



## Leeds

BAM signs £65m deal for Leeds Uni Bragg Building BAM Construction has commenced work on a £65m contract at the University of Leeds to deliver its Integrated Campus for Engineering & Physical Sciences (ICEPS).



The Sir William Henry Bragg Building will be constructed to create an integrated campus for engineering and physical sciences. Overall development cost to the university of the new 15,700 m<sup>2</sup> building is set at £96m.

The project involves the redevelopment of the northeast quarter of the university to create new homes for the Schools of Computing and Physics & Astronomy. It will also be the hub for a new Bragg Centre, providing facilities and expertise to support multidisciplinary materials research involving physicists, chemists, biologists and engineers.

Phase one of the project sees the demolition of the former Estates Building and the Old Boiler House, near the Old Mining building on Woodhouse Lane in Leeds. Curtins is providing civil and structural engineering for the project.

The development is named after the early 20th century mathematician and physicist who developed X-Ray crystallography at Leeds. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1915 for his work together with his son Sir William Lawrence Bragg.

AGM and National Rally Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Hosted by South West Region

# Leigh Park Country House Hotel & Vineyard. Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire. Book asap please Bradford

#### ISG to Build Odsal Sports Centre

Bradford District Council has appointed ISG to build a new £17.5m sports centre



The Sedbergh Sports & Leisure Centre is scheduled to open in 2019

The Leisure Centre will be built on the Sedbergh recreation ground in the Odsal district of Bradford.

The new leisure centre includes a 25-metre swimming pool, 80-station fitness suite, eight-court sports hall, dance studios and café as well as outdoor pitches for football and rugby. The two-storey steel frame building will also house a 12-metre learner pool with a moveable floor.

The 55,660 sq. ft building features a large expanse of glazing to its façade, with solar shading panels and timber cladding elements, as wells as an aluminium roof design that wraps around the structure. The project is scheduled for completion in summer 2019.

Mechanical Handling Directive for Piling Contractors

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Following an analysis of accident reports which highlighted the handling of specialist

geotechnical operations as being a high-risk activity The Federation of Piling Specialists

(FPS) has issued guidance to its members to reduce the level of manual handling during geotechnical operations.

Not only do hands tend to get trapped, there is also, evidence that this heavy manual labour and the awkward postures can lead to



musculoskeletal disorders.

The new guidance covers the handling of ugers, casings and rods during mini piling and other specialist geotechnical operations, which often involves lifting, moving and positioning heavy components during the drilling process. Piling contractors are told they should always use a mechanised tool handling system fitted either to the rig or to supporting equipment such as an excavator with quick-hitch.FPS chair Alasdair Henderson said:

"The Federation of Piling Specialists promotes best practice to ensure that its members maintain the highest standards of safety and this new guidance is a part of its commitment to driving industry safety standards forward."

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