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Barnley

Henry Boot secures £88m town centre revamp Barnsley Council has awarded an £88.3m contract to Henry Boot Construction for the second phase of its Glass Works development.



The company has been appointed design and build contractor to deliver Phase 2 of the Glass Works development, which forms part of a £120m retail-led regeneration scheme covering 3.8 hectares in Barnsley town centre. Henry Boot also delivered the first phase. Phase 2 of the scheme will include the development of 100,000 sq ft of new retail space for 26 shops, more than 25,000 sq ft of cafe/restaurants and more than 90,000 sq ft of leisure facilities including a 13-screen Cineworld cinema and a bowling alley.

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Yorkshire

Countryside wins £55m Yorkshire Housing Scheme Construction has begun in North Yorkshire on Yorkshire Housing's biggest ever development. Yorkshire Housing has appointed Countryside Properties as its contractor to build 270 homes, with a combined value of £55m, in Sherburn-in-Elmet, which is between Leeds and Selby. The development, designed by architect MHA, will have properties ranging from one to five bedrooms on a 25-acre site to be called Hodgson's Gate, as it is off Hodgson's Lane.



Completion is expected by April 2022. Andy Gamble, director of development at Yorkshire Housing, said: "We're delighted that our hard work will provide an opportunity for hundreds of people to move into high quality new homes. Our progress means we can deliver more much needed homes to the region as we continue working towards our strategic priority of delivering 3,120 homes by 2021 and a further 3,000 new homes by 2025/26."

AGM and Dinner Dance is on the 6th July 2019, at the Wiltshire Hotel, Vastern, Royal Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire. SN4 7PB. Contact Mark Rea = m90rea@hotmail.com

Commonwealth Games

£60m Commonwealth Games pool approval. A £60m aquatic centre which will host events for the 2022 Commonwealth Games has been given the final go-ahead. Wates are favourite to deliver the project and if confirmed would start work on the new Smethwick aquatic centre at a site in Londonderry Playing Fields this summer. Officials aim to open it in 2021 and say it will host all swimming and diving events in the Games. Gloucester-based architect Robert Limbrick has designed the new centre with Arup as structural and building services consultant The designs feature a 50m Olympic-sized competition swimming pool, a 25m diving pool and a studio pool along with 1,000 spectator seats The proposed centre -



to be run by Sandwell Leisure Trust – will also have two activity studios, a 12-court sports hall, a 125-station gym, 25-station women-only gym, an indoor cycling studio, a sauna/steam room and a café. The total £60m cost of building the new centre would be met by various organisations involved in delivering the Commonwealth Games 2022, including the Commonwealth Games Organising Committee, Sandwell Council and Black county Local enterprise partnership.

Bradford

Kier wins £13m Bradford academy Kier has been named by the Department for Education to design and construct an 880-place academy in a grade II listed mill in Bradford. Douglas Mill conversion designed by Bond Bryan Architects and consultant Watermans the £13m academy will be based on Old Bowling Lane in Douglas Mill and is being built for Bradford-based Dixon Academies Trust as its first standalone academy for 16-18 year olds. Kier will refurbish the mill and coach house building, which was previously occupied by the NHS and construct a new build sports hall. The sixth form is scheduled to open to its first cohort of 360 students late August 2019. This will increase to its full capacity of 880 students by September 2021.



Teesside

Go-ahead for £700m Teesside gas power station The government has given the green light to build a £700m gas-fired power station in Middlesbrough. Twin-turbine power station is expected to take three years to build Sembcorp Utilities is behind plans to build the 1.7GW Tees combined cycle power plant on land at the Wilton International manufacturing site on Teesside. The project will utilise existing gas and national grid connections on the site of the former Teesside Power Station, which was demolished six years ago.



Taking more than three years to build, the new gas-fired power station will employ up to 1,000 during the construction phase. The project being developed by Sembcorp Utilities, part of the Singapore-based Sembcorp Industries Group, involves building two main gas generating modules, two steam turbines, and two electrical generators. It is the third major project to be approved this year following the development consent orders granted for Tilbury 2, a new port facility to be built at the Port of Tilbury, and Millbrook Power, a gas-fired power station proposed in Bedfordshire.

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