# NEW HAZLEHEAD ACADEMY CAMPUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



# **Project Update | November 2025**

# **Upcoming Activities**

Welcome to the first community newsletter for the new Hazlehead Academy Campus which will help keep you informed of the upcoming works and progress over the coming months.

The new Hazlehead Academy Campus is an Aberdeen City Council project and is being delivered by the council's development partner, hub North Scotland. Robertson Construction have been appointed as the main contractor for the build.

Planning drop-in events were held by Aberdeen City Council during 2024 and 2025. A planning application was lodged on 9 May 2025 and permission granted by the council's planning development management committee on 6 November 2025.

Robertson Construction is now preparing to take possession of the site for the new campus and will issue regular community newsletters and updates on the works progress.







#### What is the new Hazlehead Academy Campus

The new campus is to be built on the current Hazlehead Academy playing fields. The existing Hazlehead Academy will not be affected by the construction works and will operate as normal.

It will have capacity for up to 1,600-pupils, two full size all-weather pitches and an athletic sprint track. It will be a state-of-the-art learning facility, using digital connectivity and flexibility to support all levels of learning, wellbeing and economic growth.

The design of the campus ties into its natural surroundings and provides both an internal and external environment suited for 21<sup>st</sup> century learning by creating diverse opportunities for learning, socialising and sport.

The new campus is due to open in August 2028 and will serve a new catchment area for the Hazlehead, Kingswells and Countesswells communities.

It will also be available to the wider community out with core educational times and throughout term holiday periods to access the sports facilities on offer.

The new Hazlehead Academy Campus is part of the North Schools Programme, which is a ground-breaking partnership between five local authorities across the north of Scotland to deliver new learning estate. Hazlehead is the first project to begin construction in the collaboration.

#### What to expect in the coming months - November 2025 to March 2026

The first stage is known as enabling works and will see Robertson take possession of the project site, establish the site boundary and install CCTV for safety and monitoring.

Existing trees within the work area will be removed and the existing utility services, such as water and electricity, will be traced and protected. The former janitors' lodges will be demolished and removed.

A new access road will be formed off Skene Road to help facilitate site operations. Work will then begin to demolish the former swimming pool block to clear space for development.

An attenuation tank will be installed to help manage surface water drainage and welfare facilities and site offices will be established to support personnel during the construction phase.

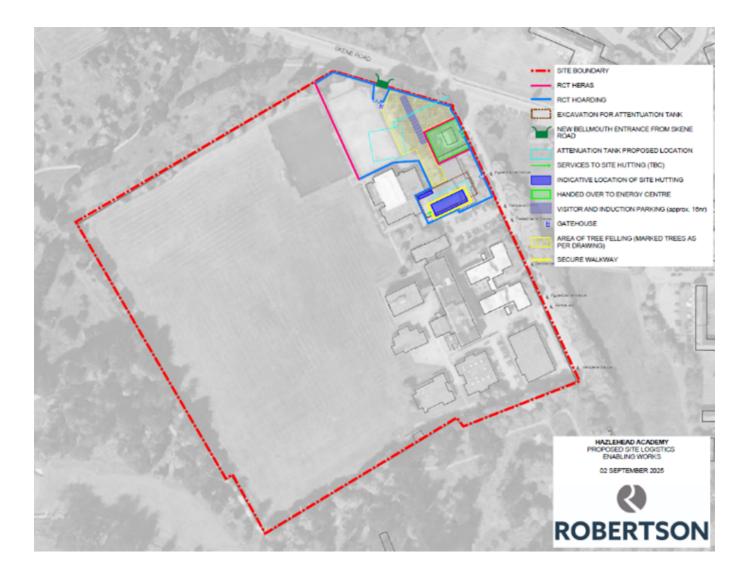
As previously mentioned, the current Hazlehead Academy will not be affected by these works and will continue to operate as normal.

A site map outlining the works areas mentioned can be found on the next page.









# **Team Robertson**

### **Site management**

The Robertson Senior Project Manager for the new Hazlehead Academy Campus project is John Crawford. If you require any further information about the project, please contact John on <a href="mailto:john.crawford@robertson.co.uk">john.crawford@robertson.co.uk</a>.

# **Community Liaison**

Jane Elder is the Robertson Social Impact Lead for the project and will work with the site team to engage with the community during the works. They will also identify and support local community projects through a planned programme of social impact activities. Jane can be contacted on <a href="mailto:jane.elder@robertson.co.uk">jane.elder@robertson.co.uk</a>.

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