

Progress

Weavers Cross and Belfast Transport Hub

Community Update

Weavers Cross The Journey Starts Here...



March 2019 saw The Belfast Transport Hub receive planning permission. This means the green light has been given to build one of the largest, most exciting, visionary infrastructure projects in Northern Ireland.

Translink is transforming public transport and more and more people are making the bus, coach and train their first choice for travel. This new Hub which will take around 5 years to build will help support the economic, social and environmental wellbeing of the city.

It will provide over 400 direct jobs during construction as well as additional longer term investment and job opportunities. As a catalyst for regeneration of the local area, the plans will play a key role in positioning Belfast as a modern, confident and progressive city supporting the City Council's Belfast Agenda.

We look forward to continuing to work with local communities on the project, addressing any concerns they have relating to the project. There has been a huge level of support from

local communities, businesses, city stakeholders and political parties and we are fully committed to work with all our stakeholders as the project progresses through each phase.

**The journey starts here...
Let's go together.**

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Community Connections



Connecting People with Opportunities



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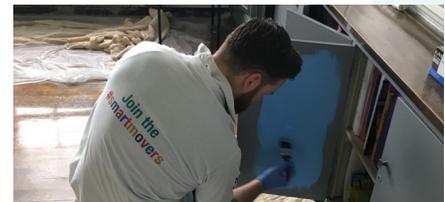
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Building connections with the local community is important to both Translink and the Belfast Transport Hub and we have shown our commitment to this through the consultation process, on-going dialogue, listening, commitments made and supporting local projects. The Belfast Transport Hub project team have been busy building strong working relationships with community groups, community leaders and local residents

We are committed to making the Belfast Transport Hub a project everyone can feel part of, so here's a few things we've done so far



Arellian Nursery School – Garden Restoration and 90th Birthday celebrations



Sandy Row Easter Family fun day

Sponsoring apprenticeship PPE with TREE CO

Blythefield Primary School – Painting and Decorating

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St. Joseph's Primary School – Classroom painting and ground clean-up

Grosvenor Road Community Centre – Belle Black summer event

Connecting people with opportunities

The search for the skilled work force which will deliver the new Belfast Transport Hub stepped up in June 2019 with Translink and Belfast City Council working in partnership to host a public information event on the opportunities for employment and training that the integrated £multi-million facility will bring to the local area.

Range of opportunities

The 'Building a Skilled Workforce for the Belfast Transport Hub' event showcased the range of construction opportunities for contractors, supply chain

and training that this exciting transport led regeneration project will bring.

With over 400 direct jobs during construction as well as additional longer-term investment and job opportunities, we have established an innovative partnership with Belfast City Council which will create a bespoke Construction Employment Academy. This will deliver skills and training in a range of construction related roles to local people and will also deliver a range of local benefits such as personal

well-being, social cohesion, inclusion, equal opportunity and sustainable development.



Local venues and Guaranteed Interview

The Construction Employment Academy model will ensure that sign-up events and classroom based training will be hosted in local venues close to the vicinity of the Belfast Transport Hub site. The academy will provide job readiness and real training in neighbouring communities and those candidates that successfully complete the process will be guaranteed an interview with the employer.

Training on offer will include site visits, working at heights, Construction Skills Register (CSR) health and safety training, abrasive wheels and

any other specific training as required by the contractor to deliver the Belfast Transport Hub project. A package of in-employment support will also be available to candidates who take up roles on the project.

We look forward to working with you!

For more information on this consultation process, please visit our new Weavers Cross website www.weaverscross.co.uk for up-to-date information.

