

Media Release

Lend lease tops out at Saint John Bosco College in Wandsworth

London, 6 February 2015: The site of the new Saint John Bosco College took a major step closer to completion today, as Lend Lease celebrated its topping-out ceremony, bringing together members from Wandsworth Borough Council and Saint John Bosco College.

Jane Ellison MP, Councillor Ravi Govindia, Leader of Wandsworth Borough Council, Dr Anne Bamford, the Director of Education for The Archdiocese of Southwark and Simon Uttley, the Headmaster of Saint John Bosco College were amongst those present at the topping-out event – a key stage celebrated in the construction industry when a structure reaches its highest point.

Lend Lease is building a new state of the art modern educational facility for the College, as well as new community facilities nearby, in a joint venture with the RC Southwark Diocese and the Salesians of Don Bosco. It is being built alongside over 100 new homes at the Cobalt Place residential development in Surrey Lane and will cater for 11 to 18-year-olds. It is scheduled to open in autumn 2015, accommodating 1,300 students.

Richard Cook, Head of Residential at Lend Lease, said: “The topping-out of the school is a further important milestone in the delivery of this major project for Wandsworth. We are delighted to be able to make this significant investment in the local area and it highlights our long-term commitment to working in partnership with both the public and private sector to help create neighbourhoods where people want to live and bring up their children.”

“It is a pleasure to have so many esteemed guests to see progress on the site first-hand and we look forward to its completion later this year.”

Simon Uttley, Headmaster of Saint John Bosco College, added: “Saint John Bosco College is just over three years old, in which time we have achieved an enormous amount, both in terms of Ofsted recognition as well as creating a happy and exciting place to learn right up to Sixth Form. To bring this successful school into world-class accommodation this autumn will strengthen our students’ already considerable pride in their school and offer them unrivalled opportunities.”

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