

The Squirrels

New Short Breaks Centre



Project Newsletter - February 2026

As the appointed contractor of the redevelopment of the Squirrels, New Short Breaks Centre, we will continue to publish regular newsletters throughout the construction, to inform the local community of progress and forthcoming site activities.

What's the project about?

The proposed building will provide 8 fully accessible en-suite short breaks/respite care places designed specifically for working-age adults with autism or learning disabilities. The scheme will prioritise accessibility, safety, and comfort, ensuring the environment is supportive for those with disabilities or limited mobility.

The works will also see provision of a communal area, staff area and associated garden space. The landscape of The Banstead Short Breaks Service takes influence from the adjacent woodland and is designed to embed the new building within the leafy woodland context.

What's happened so far

- The timber frame structure is now complete.
- Roofing membrane has been installed, along with the new solar panels.
- Windows and doors are fully fitted.
- Installation of the rainscreen cladding is well underway.
- First fix mechanical and electrical (M&E) works are progressing on schedule.
- External landscaping works have now begun.

What's happening next

- Completion of the external cladding.
- Finalising all first fix M&E installations.
- Plastering works will commence internally.
- Ongoing progress with the external landscaping.
- Relocation of site cabins to facilitate further landscaping improvements.

Social Value

- A planned £2,000 donation will support enhancements to Banstead Junior School's nature garden, helping to enrich outdoor learning and pupil wellbeing.
- Improvement works to the school's outdoor classroom decking, including jet washing and timber treatment, will restore the space for safe, regular use.
- Neilcott team members will be volunteering at Banstead Junior School's Community Clean Up day, contributing to the school's wider community initiatives.

Visit the Community Engagement website for the project here:
<https://squirrelsbs.communityuk.site/>



Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our local neighbours for their patience as we carry out the construction works. Should you have any questions, concerns or comments, please do not hesitate to contact a member of our team as detailed.

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If you have any complaints or comments regarding our site activities & do not want to contact our site team, please contact the scheme's administration office on 0800 7831423. Alternatively, please visit the scheme's website www.ccsscheme.org.uk

