

Creating a better campus – Nigel Rippon's message

Hello. My name's Nigel Rippon. I'm the head of Capital Projects within the Estates team, and my team is responsible for all the infrastructure and building construction works that have been carrying on campus as part of our Better Campus campaign or indeed new works to come.

You'll have noticed a lot of work over the last year in connection with the West Slope development. We've built a new laundrette. We've moved security from York House to Bramber. We've constructed a new basketball court and playground and obviously you can see in the background behind me a lot of complicated utility work involved in diverting services from the West Slope footprint to other areas and also reinforcing some of our utility work.

You're going to continue to see a lot of change. Demolition has started for the West Slope Project. Park Village is largely demolished now, and we're moving on to Kent House and then we'll follow with Lancaster House. So a lot more change to come.

In the same area of campus we're just about to start some roof repairs to Bramber to replace some RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete) plank panels which some of you may well be aware of. In other parts of the campus, we've started a Network Replacement Programme. You'll know doubt have seen some of the roadworks around North South Road and Knights Gate Road, and those works will be continuing over the coming year or so.

And we're also planning to start building contractors' compounds in the Sciences car park for the accelerator and laser lab buildings.

Other than that, you'll see surveys, you'll see lots of people moving around and we just welcome your support.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to making a better campus for you in the future.