



## Good News Bulletin- Edition 16—August 2022

Welcome to the Land Promoters and Developers Good News Bulletin.

Published on a monthly basis the Federation wishes to recognise and celebrate the good work achieved by our members and affiliates.

Thank you to everyone who has supplied content and congratulations on your success.



## New Recruits Buzzing to Join L&Q Estates

Two new recruits to one of the UK's major land promoters and developers are buzzing with excitement about their new roles.

Marcus Hill, who keeps bees in his spare time and has 20 beehives, has been appointed Principal Designer at L&Q Estates, which is based at Tachbrook Park in Warwick. He has been joined in the construction team by Jack Wilkins, who competes in club level motorsport across the UK, to grow the department to a 14-strong team.

Marcus joined Entec UK 20 years ago as a drainage engineer which was then acquired by AMEC, a business that subsequently merged with Wood. The 50-year-old, who plays lead clarinet with Bromyard Symphonic Wind Band and lead alto saxophone with the West Midlands Light Orchestra, said: "I work with designers on every project that L&Q Estates is undertaking to ensure health and safety risks are being minimised via good design practice.

"It is important to make sure that when designing for future homes and communities, we do all we can to eliminate and reduce risk at the design stages, to ensure we ultimately provide safe and healthy environments for future residents to live, work and play in for many years to come. I am currently working on residential developments across the UK including Wixams in Bedfordshire, and Northstowe and St Neots in Cambridgeshire. There is a lot of variety. Every

project has unique challenges which makes the work really interesting."

Jack Wilkins has been appointed as Project Engineer. The 23-year-old started his career with Barratt Homes as a trainee engineer, while studying for a Degree in Construction Management at the University of Bedfordshire, before securing his new role at L&Q Estates.

He said: "Having worked closely with the L&Q Estates throughout my time with Barratt Homes, I have always been impressed by the wealth of experience and expertise on offer and am pleased to have joined the team at such a prosperous time for the business. As part of the Technical and Construction team, I am responsible for overseeing the delivery of site-wide strategic infrastructure, providing fully serviced, "oven-ready" land for residential, commercial and mixed-use developments.

"I will continue to work on the Wixams development in Bedfordshire together with Northstowe and St Neots."



*Jack Wilkins (left) with Marcus Hill, who have joined L&Q Estates*

## Site Sold!



Gladman are pleased to announce that we have completed the sale of our site at Mill Lane, Hailsham with the benefit of outline planning permission for up to 220 dwellings to Bellway Homes.

Many thanks to Dan Merriman and Mark Steedman (Bellway Homes), Suzi Gatward (CRS Law LLP), Sam Kirkaldy (Savills), David Ashton (Rix & Kay Solicitors LLP), Glyn Richards (Fox and Sons), Paul Gidman, and Oliver Bryne (Shoosmiths) and Karl Edwards, Becky Simpson and David Hough (Gladman) and the wider team who all helped gain consent and successfully dispose of the site.

Congratulations to our landowners.

## New Planning Promotion Agreement in Bournemouth

Richborough Estates has entered into a new promotion agreement for land to the north of Townsend, Bournemouth. Measuring approximately 75 acres, the site will deliver a sustainable new community of approximately 450 new market and affordable homes, a 60-bed care home, retail and community uses, extensive public open space and SANG.

We look forward to engaging with stakeholders to secure an allocation under the new Local Plan for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council.

Nick Banks, Regional Director at Richborough Estates, said: "We are very grateful to the landowner and their agent Nigel Jones of Chesters Harcourt and our solicitor Rachael Waugh at Gateley PLC for their efforts in completing this agreement.

"Our proposals for this sustainable new community will make

a meaningful contribution to BCP Council's pressing housing need whilst supporting local infrastructure delivery and locating new homes next to high quality jobs."

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