

## BUILDING ON SUCCESS

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# Kilmac Developments

## ■ Montrose

Kilmac Developments have recently acquired a 2.7 acre site in Montrose that has been earmarked for retail development. The site has lain empty for a number of years following the breakdown of plans to build a new Sainsbury's store three years ago.

Working alongside partner Home Bargains, Kilmac Developments are seeking Angus Council approval to develop a 34,000 sqft retail development and associated car park on the site. This follows the successful partnership between the two firms at a similar site in Musselburgh. The site would also include two smaller retail units.

Kilmac is delighted to receive a positive planning recommendation from the Head of Housing, Regulatory and Protective Services at Angus Council, and is hopeful of securing member support to achieve a planning consent for the application. If the consent is secured, work would commence in Autumn 2017 on the site which would see the creation of jobs, a partnership working with Developing the Young Workforce and Angus Shared Apprentice Scheme and would provide various benefits for the local community in Montrose.

## ■ Starbucks – Fulton Road, Dundee



Work got under way on Monday 31st July on a £4.5 million development which will see Scotland's latest drive-through Starbucks coffee shop open in Dundee before Christmas.

Lochee councillor Roisin Smith was invited to set the ball rolling by cutting the first sod at Fulton Road, at the gateway to the Wester Gourdie Industrial Estate. The project is another milestone for Kilmac, generating a total of around 10 jobs. A 20-strong construction team is pressing ahead with the 12-week project, with an October 31 handover date agreed to complete internal fixtures and fittings.

Councillor Smith said: *"This is a timely reminder that investment in Dundee is not just focused on the Waterfront. It is fantastic to see more high profile businesses being attracted to the city and this development will create much needed jobs opportunities in the Lochee ward."*

Blair Morrison, Kilmac development director, said the area was undergoing a major transformation. He said: *"We have opened up a long-neglected 1.5-acre site thanks to council support and both Starbucks UK and Marston's were keen to have a presence in this part of the city. It is always exciting when work gets under way on-site after many months in the planning but given that it is our own project this is also a landmark for Kilmac, in Tayside"*

## DIRECTORS BRIEF

*Welcome to our 3rd Newsletter. We are continuing to publish our newsletters as feedback from others has been that they enjoy to hear our news and what we are doing as a company.*

In line with the recent publication of our annual health and safety Report we felt it would be great focus for our brief.

We are delighted by the results of our Annual Health and Safety Report, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our hard working staff in helping Kilmac achieve such good statistics.

Health and Safety in our business is top priority and we install this into all our staff, the importance of it, from prevention, reporting of near misses to keeping up to date with training.

Audits, both internal and external threw up results on average of over 90% with only minor issues being raised. Quick actions from the site teams rectifying these.

We introduced random drug and alcohol testing in the past year and we are very reassured that there were no positive results during these tests.

The rise in reporting of near misses was encouraging, we want to prevent any accidents or incidents so staff reporting near misses gives us an opportunity to ensure that we can focus on weaknesses

We do not want to be complacent, so our plan for the coming year is in place and has been cascaded to the team. Our main focuses are Occupational Health, PPE, Behavioural safety and dynamic Risk assessment.

You can read the full report here:

[www.kilmac.co.uk/why-use-us/health-safety](http://www.kilmac.co.uk/why-use-us/health-safety)

**Health and Safety should be EVERYONES business.**

## Current Projects

Our civils work is a mixed bag in terms of projects at the moment. Alongside our work with Robertson Construction Tayside Ltd, we are on site at Gannochy Bridge near Edzell doing repairs for Angus Council.

During regular inspection it was noted that the bridge required maintenance works to ensure that it remains fit for purpose. Through competitive tendering Kilmac Ltd were appointed by Angus Council to undertake the following

- Taking down and reinstatement of parapet wall
- Raking out of defective mortar and repointing Removing and replacing defective stone
- Installation of new stainless steel tie bars through the bridge structure
- Installing new drainage to move the disposal point away from the bridge structure



This caught the media's attention with a bride to be needing to get to her wedding when the bridge was under repair.

**Kilmac stepped up to make sure she got to the church in time!**



Photo courtesy of D C Thomson. © D C Thomson.

Other projects include Cairnie Loan Recycling centre in Arbroath for Andrew Shephard. The works involve but are not limited to the re-alignment of boundary fencing, excavation and disposal off site to allow the placement of new concrete hardstanding's, re-surfacing, additional drainage, construction of new retaining walls and service tracks.

During the works the facility is remaining operational and Kilmac are responsible for all traffic management, as always we are in constant dialogue with all stakeholders to ensure the works are undertaken safely and with as little disruption as possible to the day to day operations. This is our second project working with Andrew Shepherd in recent months, our first being the new Food & Drink Park located in Inveralmond, Perth.

**Fife Retail Park** - Phase 1 is now complete, this is ahead of schedule to allow Oak Furniture Land to open on 22nd July 2017. Phase 2 is now underway with external works, including hard landscaping. This is due to complete on 18th August 2017.

## Our pledge to young people

**We are known for our commitment to increasing the opportunities for young people. With the success of our 5 Employability groups we have been exploring other ways we could reach out to the local communities and engage with young people.**

We are for the year ahead looking to build on the relationships that we have with Developing the Young Workforce, both Dundee, Angus and Perth and Kinross, The Angus Shared Apprentice Scheme and Career Ready.

With the connection of Developing the Young Workforce we have put a plan in place with Montrose High School to deliver a number of workshops in the school as well as site visits. We met with the school and listened to their needs and how we could help fulfil them. This includes Health and Safety talks and the school kids meeting a couple of our apprentices and hearing first hand what life as a young person in construction is like. We hope to role this out in other school across the region.

When we were first approached by Angus Shared Apprentice Scheme they were not recruiting ground workers, to learn that they are this year was excellent news for us as we prepare to undertake more development sites in the area. This will provide valuable experience for the apprentices while letting them understand how different businesses work. Here at Kilmac we absolutely embrace the idea and very much look forward to working with them.

Developing the Young workforce said:

*"Developing the Young Workforce Dundee and Angus are delighted to be working closely with Kilmac to develop young people across Dundee and Angus. Their partnership working with schools is invaluable as it gives young people insight into the reality of the working world, helps them make better informed choices about their future and helps them gain skills they need to progress into employment. Their support of the Shared Apprenticeship Programme is another great example of how employers can work collaboratively to help grow the next generation of the workforce."*

# Coldside Campus Primary School

Works at Coldside Campus Primary School are progressing well and are continuing to stay ahead of Client Programme. Works carried out on-site to date, include, but not limited to; mass earthwork cut/fill operation (including dealing with asbestos contaminated ground), formation of piling and crane platforms, mass fill concrete foundations, ground beam and pile cap foundation installation, holding down bolt installation, retaining wall bases and structures (3 no.), lift pit installations (2 no.), attenuation tank installation, main-line drainage installation, field drainage installation, building service entries, and structural floor slab formation and concrete pour to both ground floor levels and upper deck levels.



Photo above shows that the main structural steelwork is well progressed, some of which is sitting on substantial reinforced concrete retaining walls constructed by Kilmac.

Due to the good progress made on-site, Robertson (Main Contractor) were able to arrange for the main building steel column erection to be brought forward by approximately 4 weeks, and the works continue to remain ahead of programme. All parties involved in this contract (Dundee City Council, Robertson Construction, and Kilmac) are delighted with the progress and quality of works that have been carried out to date.

## Coldside Team Win Award

As our presence on Coldside Primary School for RCTL continues we were delighted to be part of Dundee City Council Outstanding Commitment Awards where our strong partnership with Discover Opportunities was awarded. The main outcome of running such groups is to have them go on to fulltime, permanent positions but to be up against such strong contenders and to be part of a winning team is nice recognition for all involved. Discover Opportunities commented:

*"Without the engagement of companies like Kilmac, we would not be able to change the futures of these young people. Kilmac have gone above and beyond for these young people and really do make a difference to the local area. We look forward to working with Kilmac again in the future"*



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## RA Golf Open

Well that's it all over for another year! Another huge success of the RA Open that was held at Birkdale. This was the 10th Open to be held at this course and drew crowds of 230,000 spectators over the course of the week, these numbers are records for an English venue.

Kilmac's management and construction teams were on site from March and the de-rig process will continue until the end of August. The team headed up by Steve Harrier are looking forward to next year's 147th Open being closer to home at Carnoustie. Planning has already started for this.



## Royal Humane Society Award

We are delighted that Neil Reilly was recognised for his part in restoring life back to George McNaughton with an award from The Royal Humane Society. George collapsed on site on 21st December 2016 after suffering cardiac arrest. Neil performed CPR on him until the ambulance arrived, saving his life. Although George is not yet back to work, we look forward to welcoming him back after his period of recuperation.