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Sharing our proposals for the next phase of development at BU

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The new science and technology faculty will be built near the Boundary Lane roundabout

Building on our vision

New landmark for development plans as outline for second phase is unveiled

Welcome to the latest edition of BU Estates News, keeping local residents informed of the latest developments at the Talbot Campus.

We have nearly completed the first five-year phase of new developments from our long-term strategy to improve BU's estate. Now we are ready to embark on phase two of our ambitious plans, which will take us up to 2025.

The first development of phase two will be a new academic building on the Talbot Campus that will provide first-class facilities dedicated to science and technology.

In this newsletter we give you an outline of our plans and invite you to an exhibition where you can find out about this scheme in more detail and ask us any questions you may have.

Professor John Vinney, Vice-Chancellor

Our vision is to be recognised world-wide as a leading university for inspiring learning, advancing knowledge and enriching society.

BU is already one of the largest contributors to the local economy, with our activities contributing £252m every year to the local economy and £378m to the South West.



Our research shapes and changes the world, providing solutions to real-world problems – with 96% of BU research rated as internationally recognised or higher and 18% ranked as world-leading. One example saw our researchers use animation, special effects, artificial intelligence and virtual reality to help surgeons develop skills and prepare for surgery.

We are also making a positive environmental impact on the world. Last month, we were delighted to be ranked as the 55th university globally in the THE University Impact Rankings for our sustainable measures and the seventh best performing university for Sustainable Consumption and Production.

Our strategic plan for the next five years focuses on strengthening our position – not only locally but also globally – by ensuring a high-quality experience for students and staff, while creating a distinctive and internationally recognised profile.

To ensure we attract high calibre staff and students and deliver world class research for years to come, BU needs to continue to invest in new facilities to remain competitive.

We will have already invested around £350m between 2012 and 2025 in our academic environment with more than £200m committed in the development of our estates. Now we are ready to embark on phase two of our ambitious estates plans.

The first development will see us make a significant investment in science and technology, providing a purpose-built building for the country's future scientists and innovators.

Our £38 million Poole Gateway Building Phase Two demonstrates a major investment by BU in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). In this newsletter we set out our proposals for this new academic centre.

We are proud of what we have achieved to date in our ambition to provide a world-class university and are grateful for the support and understanding of our neighbours.

BU is holding a public exhibition in June where you can find out in more detail about our new centre for science and technology before we submit a planning application later in the summer.

We hope to see you there.

Poole Gateway Building Phase 2 – our proposals in more detail



The Poole Gateway Building Phase 2 will be a new home for modern facilities to deliver world-class teaching and research within the Faculty of Science and Technology.

The new £38m building will:

Provide flexible and specialist laboratory and workshop facilities. This will allow collaboration between subject areas, helping to bring colleagues and students together and push research forward.

- Include specialist spaces such as computing and psychology laboratories and academic office accommodation, plus a lecture theatre, seminar rooms and flexible research facilities for use by all staff and students.
- Be situated next to the Poole Gateway building, currently under construction, facing the recently extended Gillett Road.
- Complement the Poole

- Gateway building, providing a striking gateway to the university campus.
- Be appromimately 7,500 sqm and five storeys high.
- Be sustainable and of a highquality environmental standard, including photovoltaic solar panels, rainwater harvesting and highly efficient heating and cooling systems.
- Free-up space within existing facilities to enable the
- Faculty of Management's postgraduate activities, currently located at the Executive Business Centre at Lansdowne, to relocate to the Talbot Campus and bring the Faculty's staff and students together.
- Be designed to minimise impact on surrounding properties around Gillett Road and Talbot Woods. A row of mature trees will help to screen the building.

Driving forward more sustainable travel for staff and students

BU has further strengthened its awardwinning Travel Plan to encourage more staff and students to use sustainable methods of travelling to the campus.

Since our first Travel Plan was introduced in 2003, the number of staff travelling by car on their own has been reduced from 67% to 46% and for students 15% to 6%. The number of students travelling by bus has increased from 27% to 49% and the number who walk from 7% to 34%.

UNIBUS journeys have increased from 400,000 in 2012/13 to more than a million in 2017/18.

Our new bus hub, which has six stops for eight buses, is making bus travel more attractive and provides a continuous east-west route for buses through the campus. It has also helped alleviate congestion on Fern Barrow.

We want to improve these figures even further by:

- Aiming to reduce staff parking by 10% and student parking by 44%
- Promoting walking and cycling initiatives such as Bike Buddy and a safe cycling scheme for inexperienced cyclists, loans and discounts for cycling and walking equipment, and working with the local bike share provider to encourage people to hire bikes.
- Investing in enhanced active travel facilities such as additional bike parking, showers and lockers.
- Refreshing the UNIBUS strategy to look at increasing the frequency of journeys and to introduce electric/part electric buses.
- Looking at reducing the number of days parking permits can be used for, by 2021, and, by 2025, introducing a public transport journey time criteria within the eligibility for parking permits.

You can see our updated Travel Plan in full – details will be available at the exhibition.

View our plans

We invite you to attend a public viewing of our plans on **Wednesday 12th June from 4pm to 8pm** in Talbot House, Talbot Campus.

If you are unable to make the exhibition you can view our plans online at www.bournemouth.ac.uk/campus development and email any comments to estatesfeedback@bournemouth.ac.uk

Closing date for comments is Friday 12th July 2019.