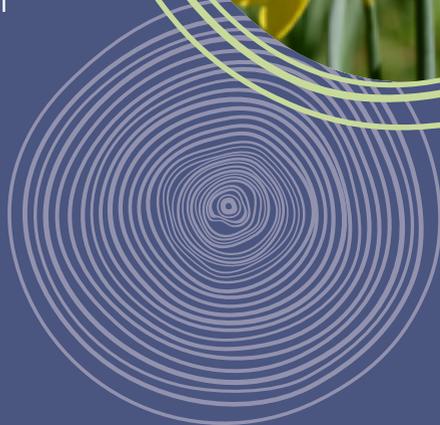


Welcome to our Spring newsletter

In this issue we have an exciting announcement to share about how Oakfield will be doing its bit for the planet, as well as giving you an update on things that have been happening on site. We also want to tell you about how we're **Building with Nature** as well as saying goodbye to a familiar Oakfield face that many of you will know.



What's been happening on site?



If you've walked past the site recently and taken a peak through the gate (or live close enough to see into the site from your window) you might have noticed that Oakfield is growing vertically! In some areas of the site, foundations are down, bricks are being laid and the community hub has risen from the ground, which marks a huge milestone for the development. We hope the new site entrance on Greenbridge Road will help reduce the impact on those of you that live closest to the site.



Clockwise from top left: Hub foundations drying, brickwork taking shape, Hub building reaching its peak



Mi-space's Community Engagement Manager Michelle Cole has recently taken on the additional role of Enterprise Advisor, providing guidance and advice for those in local schools and colleges who want to pursue a career in the construction industry. Head to [oakfieldswindon.co.uk](https://www.oakfieldswindon.co.uk) to read the article 'Helping build future careers' and hear more about her recent work with local colleges.

From early in April there will be some ongoing roadworks to make improvements to Greenbridge Road and Marlowe Avenue. Head to the news section at [oakfieldswindon.co.uk](https://www.oakfieldswindon.co.uk) to find out more.

If you need to get in touch with someone on site, you can put a note through Mi-space's letter box on Marlowe Avenue or call their site director **Rob Bennett** on **07866 916444**

We're going green

Back in the planning stages of Oakfield when many of you shared your ideas and hopes for the development, we know many of you talked about your passion for the environment and sustainability.

As neighbours to Oakfield we wanted you to be amongst the first to know that the new homes will all have air source heat pumps instead of gas boilers, making it one of the largest off-gas neighbourhoods in the UK. The homes will be really energy efficient with an EPC A rating and we'll be adding solar panels and electric vehicle charging points.

You can find out more in the news section of our website.

Oakfield has been awarded the industry-leading **Building with Nature** accreditation. Striving to put nature at the heart of developments, Building with Nature champions best practice in the housing industry and raising the bar when it comes to building new homes in a way that's good for people, and for nature and wildlife too.

And Oakfield is doing just that! From an abundance of trees, shrubs and green spaces, to the thought our specialist architects have given to how local people like yourselves access the space.

We're proud to be creating a neighbourhood that people want to be part of and that's good for the planet too. To find out more, head to oakfieldswindon.co.uk and visit the news section.



So long, farewell, but not goodbye!

As many of you already know, this month we said goodbye to Oakfield's one and only Community Organiser Keith Brown, who is moving on to a new adventure.

Part of the project from the beginning, he's made connections with so many of you and made sure that your views, ideas and concerns were heard by the design team.

We know that those of you who know Keith will miss him and his colourful socks just as much as we will, but he's staying local so if you see him about in Swindon, he'd love you to stop and say hi!

While Keith is moving on we're still committed to supporting the communities closest to Oakfield. If you have an idea for something you'd like us to be involved in or just want an update on what's happening, get in touch with Heather or Kat at hello@oakfieldswindon.co.uk



Interested in living at Oakfield? Just visit oakfieldswindon.co.uk and sign up to our mailing list to be the first to hear the latest news.

Interested in the site's progress and ways we're involving the local community in Oakfield's exciting journey? Follow [@oakfield_swindon](https://www.instagram.com/oakfield_swindon) on Instagram. 

For community activity and support with local projects get in touch with the Oakfield team at hello@oakfieldswindon.co.uk.