

York's £16m new Premier Inn takes shape

A construction milestone has been reached on a £16 million new Premier Inn for York.

The 188-bedroom development is being built in the shadow of the city's ancient walls, with the four-storey scheme described as highly sustainable.

The timber frame is now emerging, with air source heat pumps, heat recovery ventilation systems, LED lighting, photovoltaic panels and electric car charging points all to follow. It is being built by Nottingham-based Clegg Construction, for CBRE Investment Management and Whitbread PLC.

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Contracts manager Lyndon Bowler said: "We are very pleased to have reached this milestone on our Premier Inn development in York.

"The Clegg Construction team is now looking forward to the next stage of the project, delivering this sympathetically designed new hotel with minimal disruption to local businesses and residents."

Situated on a corner plot fronting Foss Islands Road and Layerthorpe, at a junction of the city's inner ring road, it is aiming to offer a 44 per cent carbon reduction compared to traditional construction methods.

The development includes a sub-floor void as part of flood mitigation measures and features a hot rolled steel frame podium at the ground floor, with a timber frame solution to the upper floors.

Other members of the construction team include project manager and quantity surveyor Reach Project Management, architect The Harris Partnership, structural engineer Simpson Associates, and M&E consultant Thornley and Lumb.

Due to be completed towards the end of 2023, it will be the fourth Premier Inn scheme delivered by Clegg, with previous projects including the construction of the Derby city centre hotel, the full conversion of a former office building in Headingley into a 96-bedroom hotel, plus the complete re-cladding of the Leeds City Centre hotel – also known as the Leeds Arena hotel.

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