



Inspire your students to consider a career in Construction & the Built Environment with us...



Helping you meet your Gatsby Benchmarks





## Inspiring Students...

We are focused on supporting the construction sector across Exeter, East Devon and Teignbridge to address the skills and recruitment challenges we face. We aim to inspire the future workforce through an effective engagement programme with schools.

We have compiled a range of opportunities with our project partners to offer your students, teachers and parents/carers a variety of ways to find out more about this growing sector, while helping you meet your Gatsby Benchmarks.



## ...in Greater Exeter

As one of the fastest growing regions of the UK, the South West construction sector needs over 27,000 new entrants in the next few years. Modern methods of construction have revolutionised the sector with modular housing, robotic brick-layers and virtual reality all forming part of the mainstream.

There are over 180 job roles available and construction offers a rewarding career with plenty of prospects.



Exeter  
City Council





## Construction Industry Assembly

An overview presentation of the construction industry, giving localised information for context. To cover; major local construction projects, plans for local development, construction careers and job roles, case studies of young people (school appropriate where possible). Delivered by either a single, or multiple local construction companies / employees.

Gatsby Benchmarks:  
5 • 6

Year Groups:  
All

How you can help us:  
Contact with Careers Leader and / or Year Leader for logistical arrangements. Numbers attending to be provided in advance, appropriate AV equipment as required.

## Construction Careers Presentation

An overview presentation of jobs and career paths in the construction sector. Includes personal journey from the person attending and other local examples. This can be delivered to students - either tutor groups / subject classes / assemblies etc. Can also be delivered to parents as part of a scene setter for a parents evening or other event.

Gatsby Benchmarks  
2 • 5

Year Groups  
9 • 10 • 11 • 12 • 13

How you can help us:  
Appropriate technology required for presentation / video. Suitable setting for delivery.

## Construction Apprenticeships Presentation

A presentation to specifically focus on apprenticeships within the construction sector. To be delivered by apprentices and can be part of an apprenticeships event / assembly.

Gatsby Benchmarks  
2 • 5 • 7

Year Groups  
10 • 11 • 12 • 13

How you can help us:  
Appropriate technology required for presentation / video. Suitable setting for delivery.

## Construction representation at School Careers Event

BGEX can bring a range of companies from the construction sector, appropriate literature, and short activities if required to support careers fairs / events within school. Day or Evening can be accommodated.

Gatsby Benchmarks  
2 • 5

Year Groups  
All

How you can help us:  
Appropriate and timely information relating to space available and practical arrangements in order for BGEX to facilitate project partners attending.

## Support for Lesson Planning

An opportunity to link teachers with construction industry partners to support with contextualising learning outcomes for lessons across a variety of subjects - predominantly STEM.

Gatsby Benchmarks:  
2 • 4 • 5

Year Groups:  
ALL

How you can help us:  
Teacher needs to provide a brief in advance of the subject / topic area and where contextualised information / activities are required to enable the construction partners to prepare appropriate information.

**Choose from these presentations and activities.**



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## Drop Down Day activities

A range of activities that can be delivered over half or whole days to support drop down day requirements for different year groups. These can be subject or careers focussed.

For example: 'Build a Town', Carousel of activities, Mock Interviews etc.

Gatsby Benchmarks:  
2 • 4 • 5

Year Groups:  
7 • 8 • 9

How you can help us:  
Teacher / Head of Year / Careers Leader needs to allocate sufficient time to work with construction partners to plan activities, timing, logistics for the activities to have the maximum impact. Physical space requirements for the activities needs to be considered in advance.

## Work Experience

Links to local construction employers who provide work experience. A presentation as part of a work experience briefing about the opportunities in the construction sector (ideally in the Autumn Term).

Gatsby Benchmarks  
5 • 6

Year Groups  
10

How you can help us:  
Please identify if whole year group or smaller groups appropriate for a briefing. Information on number of students in year 10, and likely interest where possible. School to continue to take responsibility for Duty of Care arrangements for all students undertaking work experience.

## Teacher engagement placements

Opportunities for teachers to spend time on work placements within local construction companies, for up to a week.

In addition our construction professionals can give presentations at teacher training days

Gatsby Benchmarks  
2 • 4

Year Groups  
N/A

How you can help us:  
Leadership team engagement to ensure that wider benefit will be gained across school / curriculum area from the experience.

## Site Visits

An opportunity to take groups of students to 'live' construction sites to see the industry in action. Availability dependent on local construction projects.

Gatsby Benchmarks  
5 • 6

Year Groups  
All

How you can help us:  
Parent release forms, health and safety briefing, transport to and from site.

## Industry Partner Matching

Be matched with a construction employer to support with a wide range of activities across the school, including those listed above. Your industry partner will work with you to identify an annual programme of events - linked to your school careers programme, to embed knowledge and understanding of the construction sector across the school.

Gatsby Benchmarks  
1 • 2 • 4 • 5

Year Groups  
All

How you can help us:  
Lead member of staff to be identified to manage the relationship, must also involve suitable subject teachers and Careers Leader. Sufficient time must be available to engage fully in this type of relationship.

**Choose from these presentations and activities.**



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# Next Steps & Expressions of Interest

Please choose the activities  
you are interested in  
and then either:

1

Contact Dawn Chamberlain, Building Greater Exeter

Project Manager to discuss your requirements:

**01392 265230/07790 366458**

[dawn.chamberlain@exeter.gov.uk](mailto:dawn.chamberlain@exeter.gov.uk)

2

Complete this form and scan it and email to:

[dawn.chamberlain@exeter.gov.uk](mailto:dawn.chamberlain@exeter.gov.uk)

**Please provide as much notice as possible  
to ensure we have a construction partner  
to deliver the activity for you.**

## 1. Construction Industry Assembly

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 2. Construction Careers Presentation

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 3. Construction Apprenticeships Presentation

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 4. Construction representation at School Careers Event

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 5. Support for Lesson Planning

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 6. Drop Down Day activities

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 7. Work Experience

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 8. Teacher Engagement

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 9. Site Visits

Date/s requested

Year Group

Number of students

## 10. Industry Partner Matching

Yes

No

If yes are there any construction companies who have worked on your school or in the local area that you'd like to be matched with?

School:

Contact:

Tel:

Email: