



# ARMY BASING PROGRAMME



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### MEET THE TEAM

**Andrew Patchett, Construction Manager, Aspire Defence Capital Works (ADCW)**



I joined ADCW in July, having spent almost ten years working as a construction supervisor for Carillion, an ADCW parent company. I'm based at Perham Down where I'm responsible for overseeing construction planning and delivery for all the Army Basing Programme infrastructure across the Garrison. Essentially, my job is about doing the right things at the right time, to make sure the customer gets the right buildings at the right time. I'm here to ensure the build programme stays on track, and to identify and rectify any potential problems – before they become problems!

I have a team of Section Managers who report to me regularly on progress for all the build areas on the Garrison. Within Perham Down we currently have five 'live sites' where construction is underway, including a new Officers' Mess, Regimental Headquarters, Junior Ranks' Single Living Accommodation and a technical building. In total 18 assets will be delivered. A typical day involves the usual office meetings and walking the site, liaising with our subcontractors and with our supply chain offsite. There's usually a lot of problem solving and decision making required, so it's a busy, responsible job and I'm generally on the phone talking to people to resolve issues. I'm also involved in the hand over of completed buildings.

Keeping abreast of change and making sure things – and people – stay on track can be a challenge but

there is a really good atmosphere out on site and in our Project Office. We're fortunate to have an excellent working relationship with our customer, too. Although our construction work impacts significantly on them day to day, the Army is a very understanding client. I think they appreciate that any unavoidable short-term disruption is worth it, to achieve long-term lasting benefits to their living and working space here at Perham Down.

Using three words Andrew described the ABP as: collaborative, professional and essential.

### OFFICIAL OPENING OF REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS AT LARKHILL

New Regimental Headquarters at Larkhill Garrison are helping to minimise the environmental impact on the defence estate, thanks to their ability to generate 'green' electricity. The pair of brand new two-storey Headquarters at the Royal School of Artillery, Larkhill, will cater for up to 250 personnel from 32 & 47 Regiment RA and their various Batteries. The buildings offer open plan, shared and cellular offices, conferencing facilities, mail rooms, beverage bays and stores, providing a modern, flexible work space for day-to-day operations on the Garrison.

In addition to improving soldiers' working accommodation, the new offices will have a positive environmental impact thanks to the installation of over 300 photovoltaic (PV) roof panels (equivalent to 526.52m<sup>2</sup>), which will generate their own electricity for use in multiple buildings on the Garrison. The new Headquarters were officially opened by Master Gunner St James's Park - Lieutenant General Sir Andrew Gregory KBE CB on 29 November 2017.



## NEXT THREE MONTH PLANS

Construction works to be started and/or continued across the PAC Footprint between Dec 17 and Feb 18:

### Larkhill

- New SLA (1365 total bed spaces)
- New Officers and Senior Ranks Messes
- New Junior Ranks Diner
- New Armoury
- New RHQ & Battery Offices
- New Garages
- New QM's Stores
- Utility Works
- Various car parks
- Various demolitions

### Bulford

- New Training Wing
- New SNCO Triple Mess in Picton Barracks
- Officers Mess extension
- Medical / Dental facility extension
- Demolition works including the Old Bakery
- New JRSLA village
- New OSLA
- New RHQ
- Gym Extension



Construction of SLA at Bulford

### Aldershot

- New SLA (40 bed spaces completed)

### Perham Down

- New SLA (251 total bed spaces)
- New RHQ offices
- New Officers / SNCO Mess
- New armoury extension
- New perimeter fencing and associated groundworks in Swinton Barracks



New RHQ construction

### Tidworth

- New SLA (353 total bed spaces)
- New SNCO Mess and SLA
- New Armoury
- Armoury extension

Enabling works, earthworks and ground improvements will take place across all sites. Aspire Defence works flexibly and responds to the needs of the DIO and the Army. Construction schedules are therefore subject to change. Agreed traffic routes and AA signage are in place to manage deliveries to Garrison sites.

To avoid adding to congestion at the main Larkhill Garrison entrance, a dedicated gate for construction traffic has been created.

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