



ARMY BASING PROGRAMME



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MEET THE TEAM

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I have been a Requirements Manager for over nine years, most of which has been spent working on the Project Allenby Connaught (PAC) footprint in Aldershot and on Salisbury Plain. The transformation of Aldershot has been remarkable – gone are the cold, damp barrack rooms and rabbit hutch

offices, the gloomy diners and rickety messes; gone too is about a third of the old Garrison. It really is very satisfying to see the new facilities in use and to know that I had a hand in delivering them. Having spent my formative years living in impressive looking but extraordinarily uncomfortable mess accommodation, including one where the nearest bathroom was 40 yards away, I am highly conscious of the importance of decent accommodation.

For the last four years I have focused exclusively on the Army Basing Programme (ABP) within the PAC footprint. The ABP came along just as the original PAC build programme was winding down and will see about 250 new, altered and extended buildings delivered. Our challenge now is to fit all these buildings into carefully planned Garrison layouts.

Just as we moved into the construction phase of the ABP, along came Army 2020 (Refine), which has had an impact. Effort is focussed on working with key stakeholders to determine the exact requirement and ensure we are meeting the genuine needs of the Army. This is definitely the best bit of the Requirement Managers job: challenging the eventual occupants to look to the future; to consider alternative ways of doing business and to exploit their imagination.

COMPLETION AND HANDOVER OF JUNIOR RANKS SINGLE LIVING ACCOMMODATION

The JR SLA village was opened by Lt Gen James Bashall CBE, Commander Home Command on Wednesday 27 September.



The village provides 378 bed spaces. In total over 1300 bed spaces will be provided at Larkhill including 322 for other ranks.



A media event was held to showcase the new modern en-suite living facilities and was well attended by representatives from ABP, DIO, Larkhill Garrison and Aspire.

The arrival of the first SLA 'Modular Units' (bedrooms) took place at Larkhill Garrison in November 2016. Just ten months later, the new build 378 bed space JRSLA village has been completed, handed over and is now being occupied. Coverage of the event can be viewed here:

<http://www.forces.net/news/larkhill-opens-new-accommodation-resettling-troops>

NEXT THREE MONTH PLANS

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

Larkhill

- New SLA (1362 total bed spaces)
- New Armoury
- New RHQ & Battery Offices
- New Garages
- New QMS Stores
- Utility Works
- Various car parks
- Various demolitions

Bulford

- New Armoury, for completion in Oct
- New Armoury extension
- Triple Mess in Picton Barracks
- Medical / Dental facility extension
- Demolition works including the Old Bakery and SLA
- New JRSLA
- Regimental Headquarters
- Gym Extension



Construction of SLA at Bulford

Aldershot

- New SLA (40 bed spaces will be completed)

Perham Down

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

Tidworth

- New SLA (353 total bed spaces)
- New SNCO Mess



Concrete slab pour at Tidworth



Completed slab at Tidworth

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. ** No construction activity planned at Warminster.*

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