

DECEMBER 2008 NEW HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT BUILDING PROGRESS

Progress in December has been very good, with over 50% of the new hospital floor plate **now** complete.

New Pump Station operating and the old facility demolished and backfilled.

- Finger 1 - concrete frame has been completed up to level 4. The installation of plumbing is well underway on levels P1 & P2 together with the corridor services, prefabricated pipe, cable trays and ductwork including the lagging is also being installed. Internal block work is still progressing to the loading bay area.
- Finger 2 now has the concrete frame constructed up to Level P2, approximately 50% of the floor slab at this level is being prepared for concreting
- Finger 3 now has the concrete frame constructed up to Level 1,

Foundations to the north of Fingers 2 & 3 are complete.

- Finger 4 which the most Easterly aspect of the new hospital has the concrete frame completed to level 4, brickwork and block work in progress at level P3, inner leaf **of the external** cladding in position levels P3 to Ground floor, partition head tracks positioned levels P2 through to Level 2, plumbing is well underway on levels P1 & P2 together with the corridor services plus the prefabricated modular pipe, cable trays and ductwork including the lagging is also being installed. In addition the internal skin of the external cladding panels are being installed on Levels P2 & P1 which is creating a weatherproof environment on these floors which has enabled the floor screeds to be laid on these floor levels.
- Partition head tracks are being set out and positioned on all the available levels.
- The staircase and lift shaft cores to each of the blocks are virtually all finished.
- The link block which interconnects all the fingers has a majority of the foundations completed and 2 of the upper floor levels of the concrete frame has progressing adjacent to Finger 1.
- The Facilities Management road at the South of the site is now in full operation for construction traffic together with the covered walkway that runs along the side of the FM road.

The old lodge building has been demolished.

- Various retaining wall structures and embankment stabilisation works are being undertaken to accommodate the level changes required around the site area.