

Kier to create new sustainable community school

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The Department for Education has appointed [Kier](#) to deliver Emmanuel Community School in the London Borough of Havering. The new facility is being provided for The Emmanuel School Trust, a non-profit charity that manages educational facilities in London.

The school will be part of the wider Beam Park residential development, which will deliver over 3,000 new homes for the area. The two-form entry primary school will offer 462 places for learners and includes a 30-place nursery as well as a flexible special educational needs learning space for twelve pupils with autism and speech, language & communication needs.

Facilities will include teaching spaces plus dedicated rooms for group activities and therapies. The school will also make a range of facilities available for wider community use, including the hall, studio, nursery and outdoor play spaces and a multi-use games area.

The school has been designed with sustainability at its heart with key features to maximise natural light and natural ventilation, highly-insulated glass to support heat management, onsite solar panels to generate green electricity and heating which will be provided by the Beam Park district heating system.

John Bolton, regional director at Kier Construction London & Southern, said: "We are delighted that we have been appointed by the Department for Education to build the new Emmanuel Community School. The school will play a vital role, ensuring that the new neighbourhood's expanding population has a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment for pupils to enjoy.

"We look forward to using our wealth of experience in building first-class educational facilities to deliver a modern and sustainable school that will positively impact the community for years to come."

Richard Emmerson, Project Director at the Department for Education said: “I am pleased that building has begun on Emmanuel Community School following the design and planning stage. We are moving forward to deliver what will be a first-class facility for this new and growing community. I have worked with Kier before and I know they will do a great job on this project having also worked tirelessly to get to this stage.”

Dr Akin Oluwatudimu, Trustee at the Emmanuel School Trust said: “The Emmanuel School Trust is delighted that this landmark development has commenced on site. We look forward to working closely with Kier and our stakeholders to create an excellent educational facility and community hub for Beam Park residents.”

This is the latest appointment for Kier on the Department for Education Construction Framework and further strengthens the company’s position as a leading provider of educational facilities across the UK. Recent appointments include [Carew Academy](#), a new SEND school in Wallington; Katharine Lady Berkeley’s School, a partial rebuild project in Wotton-under-Edge; and Thomas Keble School, a new secondary school in Eastcombe.