

Tilbury Douglas to lead the construction of the DfE's Tulip Academy

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Tilbury Douglas, a leading UK building, infrastructure, engineering and fit-out business, has been appointed to lead the construction of Tulip Academy, located on Neville Avenue in Spalding, on behalf of the Department for Education (DfE) for the Community Inclusive Trust (C.I.T Academies).

The project will deliver a new build, two-storey, Special Educational Needs (SEN) school for children and young adults aged 11 to 16 with a range of learning difficulties and disabilities, replacing the previous out-dated accommodation.

Building for the future, the school will benefit from operational savings and the build must be Net Zero Carbon in operation. The strategy includes photovoltaic panels on the roof, Natural Ventilation with Heat Recovery (NVHR) units, cross ventilation, and air source heat pumps.

The plan also includes a range of external works, with an aim to meet the Urban Greening factor and the DfE's biodiversity specification, the landscaping strategy will also be a key consideration.

Simon Butler, Managing Director – Building Central at Tilbury Douglas, commented: “As this important scheme is located on a live school environment, we are working closely with the school and DfE to ensure minimal disruption to the day-to-day running of the school. We aim to deliver a first-class asset for C.I.T Academies.”

Matthew Bloodworth-Flatt, Headteacher of Tulip Academy Spalding, said: “This is a very exciting time for the school. Pupils and staff will be looking on with anticipation watching the new building take shape. The purpose-built school building will help us hugely with our mission of ‘Making every Moment Matter’, preparing pupils for their futures and helping them develop knowledge and skills which will allow them to

thrive in adult life.”