

First phase of ground works underway at Cambridge Discovery Campus



DEVELOPMENT BEGINS OF NEW 50 ACRE - 343,000SQ.FT. SCIENCE AND INNOVATION CAMPUS STRATEGICALLY LOCATED TO THE SOUTH OF CAMBRIDGE CITY

Cambridge, UK. 30th January 2025: Property investment and development company, [Bridgemere Land](#) in partnership with [Foundation Capital Ventures](#) (FCV), is pleased to confirm the start of onsite works at its landmark science and innovation campus, Cambridge Discovery Campus.

Vertase FLI Ltd has now commenced demolition and remediation works on site ahead of the development of six laboratory-enabled buildings alongside extensive amenity provision - including a 30-acre country park.

Granted planning permission in July 2024, Cambridge Discovery Campus is located two miles south of Cambridge city and as such is the closest campus to the burgeoning Cambridge Biomedical Campus. This proximity will give Cambridge Discovery Campus occupiers swift and easy access to the world class research, patient care and academic excellence located at the biomedical campus - including the University of Cambridge, Papworth Hospital, Cancer Research UK and the recently announced Cambridge Cancer Research Hospital.

Cambridge South Railway Station (opening late 2025) will be a quick 8-minute journey by car, or alternatively a 15-minute cycle ride along dedicated existing cycle routes which transect the campus. The new station will connect occupiers to London stations within approximately 45 minutes. In addition, the new Southwest Travel Hub (Park & Ride) completing in 2026, is adjacent to Cambridge Discovery Campus and will provide over 2,000 parking spaces and 12 new buses per hour into Cambridge city and Cambridge Biomedical Campus.

On completion, Cambridge Discovery Campus will provide 343,000sq.ft. of science and innovation space, flexibly designed to support small to medium sized ventures or 'whole campus' organisations.

The exciting re-development of the 50-acre site will also include a bespoke amenity building, including café, outside dining terrace, fully equipped gym and meeting facilities - all overlooking superb sports fields, surrounded by a 30-acre country park.

Will Heath, CEO, Bridgemere commented: "Cambridge's reputation as a leading international life sciences cluster continues to strengthen; evidenced by trailblazing companies, like AstraZeneca, which choose to locate here to take advantage of the synergies the cluster has to offer.

"The Cambridge Discovery Campus vision is to make its own significant contribution to the continued future success of the innovation sectors via the provision of super-connected, state of the art research and development buildings set within an environment that prioritises occupier well-being, whilst enhancing the immediate environment for the surrounding community to enjoy."

Rob Sadler, Foundation Capital Ventures added: "The strategic location of Cambridge Discovery Campus is second to none. Within the next six months you will be able to step off a train at the newly opened Cambridge South Station, opposite AstraZeneca's global headquarters, grab a scooter or jump on a bike and be at Cambridge Discovery Campus within 15 minutes.

"We are creating a campus which enjoys the best of it all – superb research and development facilities, open, green spaces and a focus on high quality amenity for everyone to enjoy, combined with the ability to connect seamlessly to the additional world-class research and academic prowess which is the cornerstone of Cambridge's bioscience cluster."

Bidwells and Savills have been appointed as joint letting agents.

Further details, including a short film setting out the vision for the campus, can be found at the newly launched Cambridge Discovery Campus website: www.cambridgediscoverycampus.com

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