

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall breaks ground at £47m mixed-use regeneration scheme**

Morgan Sindall has broken ground at a landmark £47 million regeneration scheme in Leicester.

Set over a four-and-half-acre area, the flagship development is being delivered for Leicester-headquartered property group, Charles Street Buildings (CSB).

The City Mayor, Peter Soulsby, and CSB Chairman Hugh P Murphy joined members of the Morgan Sindall project team to mark the occasion with a traditional turf cutting ceremony.

Located off Vaughan Way, plans for the new site include two hotels – one six storey and one ten storey; 35,000 sq ft of office space, and a new public realm area, called Great Central Square.

Morgan Sindall's construction work is taking place alongside the regeneration of the former Leicester Central train station and creation of a new car park for the hotels and office, which CSB is undertaking itself.

Richard Frape, Operations Manager at Morgan Sindall, said: "We're very pleased to get construction underway with this project. The work itself will create valuable jobs through our commitment to using local subcontractors wherever possible. The finished development will revitalise this part of the city centre and facilitate Leicester's continued evolution as an international tourist destination."

Joseph Murphy, Director, at CSB, said: "We have now spent several years working up this development and to deliver this transformative regeneration project, so it's particularly gratifying to finally break ground on the site.

"We're confident the finished development will be well-received by the people of Leicester and look forward to seeing construction work progress."

Leicester City Mayor Sir Peter Soulsby, added: "This is an exciting development for Leicester. It will help create an attractive new gateway linking the city centre to the Waterside area.

"It will play a vital part in realising our ambitious vision for this part of the city and marks the start of major regeneration beyond the ring road which has proven to be such a barrier in the past."

Construction work is expected to complete by the end of 2019.

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