

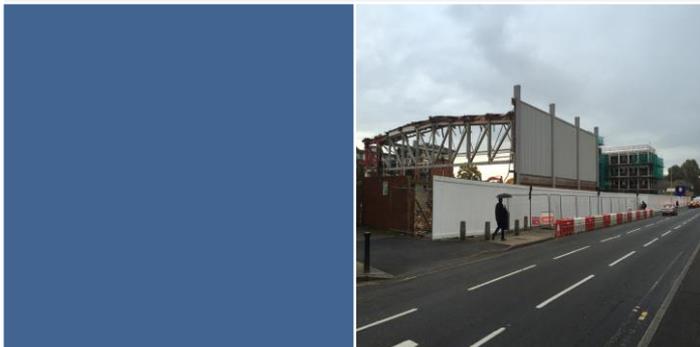
Waitrose, Chelmsford – Enabling Works



Enabling Works Package included:

- Removal of notifiable and non notifiable asbestos which also included the requirement for scaffolding a four storey building on site allowing enclosure access;
- Demolition of all buildings on site including works in close proximity to existing highways and use of long reach machinery;
- Removal of all hardstandings and foundations across site to allow unhindered excavation for future foundations;
- Crushing of all hard materials to a 6F2 for re-use on site;

Provectus were engaged by Waitrose (John Lewis Partnership) to undertake an Enabling Works package for the former Post Office sorting office in Chelmsford City centre to provide a development platform. The site is then to be redeveloped providing Chelmsford with a new Waitrose store, creating 180 jobs and to complement the John Lewis already under development. The development includes 37 new housing units and a community centre.



The site also provided an unusual aspect with regards to the potential presence of WW2 ordnance close to the railway line. This required the following works:

- A watching brief using an ordnance consultant during the excavation of the hotspot close to the railway line.
- Drilling and testing of boreholes in close proximity to the identified anomaly to discount the presence of ordnance.

The works package then provided the client with a single point subcontractor allowing efficient and safe completion of the working platform. This then allowed safe redevelopment of the site which had former legacies as a scrapyard, former housing, historical industrial use and post office with former on site refuelling, servicing and vehicle washing facilities.

- Excavation and treatment on site of hydrocarbon impacted soils in close proximity to an existing main railway line;
- Removal of USTs and treatment of associated impacted soils;
- Treatment of impacted groundwater on site;
- Validation of all works.