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Major School Transformation Awarded to Bouygues UK Under Government's School Rebuilding Programme

A comprehensive transformation of Holy Trinity CofE Secondary School in Crawley has been awarded to Bouygues UK. The project encompasses a brand-new 9,300m² school building, refurbished facilities, five Multi-Use Games Areas and an ambitious BREEAM Excellent sustainability approach, with works commencing in August 2026.

A landmark rebuilding programme at Holy Trinity CofE Secondary School in Crawley, West Sussex has been awarded to Bouygues UK, one of the UK's leading construction companies. The project forms part of the Government's national School Rebuilding Programme which targets schools with buildings identified as being in the poorest condition across the country.

Scheduled to commence in August 2026 and complete in late 2029, the programme will be delivered on a live school site - a challenge that calls for the kind of meticulous phasing and operational expertise that Bouygues UK has developed across its extensive portfolio of complex projects. The school will continue to operate in full throughout the programme, with the phased approach ensuring zero interruption to students' education.

Holy Trinity CofE Secondary School currently educates approximately 1,410 students, including 300 sixth-form students. The transformation will expand the school's capacity to 1,500 students, supporting the Local Authority's plans to permanently increase its Published Admission Number to an 8-form entry school, responding to a recognised need for secondary school places in the Crawley area.

Transformation of the school

Bouygues UK will manage the full programme of works, which includes:

- Construction of a new building (approximately 9,300m²) to the south of the existing campus, with the school decanting into the new facility before demolition of the existing buildings
- Refurbishment of The Young Building - approximately 1,500m² of existing space brought fully up to modern standards and handed back to the school

- Development of five Multi-Use Games Areas (MUGAs)
- Creation of a new landscaped recreation area
- Addition of a dedicated school car park

The new three-storey building has been designed around a clear departmental structure, that works for the staff and students. Standout spaces include a new assembly hall with bleacher seating and a performance lighting rig, a dedicated sixth-form social and study hub, a library resource centre, and specialist facilities including a darkroom, kiln and ceramic studio.

Sustainability focus

Bouygues UK is delivering the project with a strong sustainability specification. The new building will achieve BREEAM Excellent certification, underpinned by roof-mounted solar photovoltaic panels and a ground-source heat pump. The heat pump is an innovative renewable energy source that will significantly reduce the school's reliance on utility supplies and cut its carbon footprint in line with national net-zero targets. Passive ventilation via wind catchers on the upper floor further reduces energy demand and improves air quality for staff and students alike.

The project exemplifies Bouygues UK's approach to educational construction: creating buildings that are not only fit for modern learning, but that prioritise environmental responsibility.

"Holy Trinity is exactly the kind of project we do best – complex, phased, delivered on a live site where getting it right for students and staff every single day really matters. We're proud to be part of something that will serve the Crawley community for generations to come." **Mark Cesenek, Managing Director, Bouygues UK**

'The Holy Trinity C of E Secondary School scheme represents a significant investment in the future of education, providing high-quality facilities that will support teaching excellence and enhance the student experience for many years to come. We look forward to working with Bouygues UK through the next stages of the project and to seeing these proposals successfully delivered for the benefit of the school and wider community.' **Department for Education, Project Team**

"We have greatly valued the collaborative approach Bouygues UK has taken throughout the design phase of this project. They have invested time in understanding our vision, listening to our staff and students, and translating our aspirations into a design that is both imaginative and inspirational. The result is a scheme that reflects our values and ambitions as a school and one that will be truly transformational for our whole community. These outstanding new learning environments will enhance the educational experience of current and future generations of students, supporting them to flourish academically, socially and personally. We are excited to continue working with Bouygues UK as this

vision becomes a reality." **Rev Chrissie Millwood, Executive Head Teacher, The Holy Trinity CofE Secondary School**

'The Diocese of Chichester welcomes the appointment of Bouygues UK by the DfE to undertake the rebuilding and refurbishment of The Holy Trinity CE Secondary School, Crawley. This project will make a tremendous difference to the whole school community by providing modern, fit for purpose school buildings to support teaching and learning to all pupils.' **The Diocese of Chichester**

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Notes to editors

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ABOUT BOUYGUES UK

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- Data centres and distribution.

Building for life and leaving a positive legacy for the next generation is a top priority at Bouygues UK. By incorporating clear carbon guidelines in all its projects, the company works closely with clients, supply chain partners and employees to help reduce its impact on the environment and enable communities to thrive for decades to come. It provides intelligent management throughout the entire life-cycle of each project, delivering efficiently and to an excellent standard, combining a local focus with international strength and expertise. Bouygues UK is wholly owned by Bouygues Construction, a global player in construction and services.

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