

BAM Wins Contract To Build The Co-operative Group's New Manchester Home



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The [Co-operative](#) Group has today (24 June) announced that BAM Construction has been appointed to build its new home in Manchester.

Construction of the £100m building, on Miller Street, which will be one of the most sustainable in Europe, will commence next month.

In recent months BAM has been working with the design team to help cost the final build and has prepared the site for the 15 storey building which will comprise of 325,000 sq ft of open plan office and support space.

Peter Marks Group Chief Executive at the Co-operative Group, said: "Our new building will be one of the most exciting and innovative in the UK and so it was essential that we appointed a company with the experience of working on other similar projects not only in this country but across Europe.

"During the past few months we have been working with BAM on finalising the specifications and costings and preparing the site. They have demonstrated that they have the right approach and so we have every confidence that they will help deliver a truly magnificent new home for the Group."

Director of BAM in the North West, Steve Byrne said: "This is a hugely impressive project not only in design, construction techniques and the expertise it demands of us, but also for how it will contribute to the community and economy around it. At BAM, that is something we value and we could not have a better partner than The Co-operative Group to work

with. Our project team is very positive about addressing these challenges.”

The new building will be the first phase in the redevelopment and regeneration of the Group’s 20-acre site, located at the city’s Northern Gateway and bounded by Miller Street and Corporation Street.

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Note to editors:

1. More details are available at www.co-operative.coop/newheadoffice
2. The Co-operative Group, owned by more than five million consumer members, is widely recognised for its ethics and its leadership position in sustainability and environmentally friendly initiatives such as [charity mobile phone recycling](#). For example, since 2007, 99 per cent of its electricity has come from renewable sources, it has cut greenhouse gas emissions by almost 40 per cent in five years and it has established its own wind farm to produce renewable power. It is also pioneering the use of small-scale hydro-electric power and publicizing the [facts about Climate Change](#).
3. BAM Construction is part of the European construction enterprise owned by Netherlands based Royal BAM Group. BAM operates in the construction, property, civil engineering and consultancy engineering sectors with offices across the UK including Salford. The company is currently undertaking projects in more than 30 countries around the world.

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