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LEADER HELPS START FINAL PHASE OF SCHEME WITH SCHOOL CLEARANCE

Kickstart for demolition in £16m college project

A HAMPSHIRE councillor got to help demolish his former school in the final stage of a college's £16 million transformation project.

Leader of Fareham Borough Council Cllr Seán Woodward was at Fareham College's Bishopsfield Road campus to mark the moment as buildings once part of Bishopsfield School came down.

The former pupil got behind the controls of an excavator to help get work underway, which will pave the way for more than 100 homes on that site.

The demolition of the building marks the last phase of Fareham College's

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transformation project.

Launched in August 2014 this aimed to create new state-of-the-art learning facilities for students from Fareham, Gosport and the surrounding areas.

Alongside the Bishopsfield Road site, this includes the college's Centre of Excellence in Engineering, Manufacturing and Advanced Skills Training (CEMAST) facility in Lee-on-the-Solent.

New facilities at Bishopsfield Road site include dedicated workshops, studios and innovative classrooms to cater for 3,700 students.



Colin Crowther and Andy Martin, Bouygues UK; Richard Grant, Wessex Demolition, Peter Marsh, Fareham College; Nigel Duncan, Principal; Cllr Seán Woodward; Clint Sexton, Wessex

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Life drawing

PLACES are still available for the next life drawing workshop at Southampton City Art Gallery on Saturday.

It takes place from 11am to 4pm. The basics will be supplied but people attending can bring their own materials.

Festive craft

SHIRLEY Library in Southampton will host a Christmas craft session for youngsters from 2.30-3.30pm on December 8. The free event is suitable for children aged four and older. For more information call 02380 833007.

A ukulele gig

SOUTHAMPTON Ukulele Jam performs at the United Reformed Church in Bitterne Precinct on December 12. The performance will start at 7pm and entry costs £3.