

**Bognor Regis
Town Council**

**KEEPING YOU
UPDATED ON THE
PROGRESS OF THE
NEW CINEMA**



**SCAFFOLDING
BEING ERECTED
AROUND CINEMA
EXTENSION**



**INSTALLATION OF
HIGH LEVEL
JOISTS**



**TYING INTO REAR
WALL OF EXISTING
CINEMA**

PICTUREDROME CINEMA PROGRESS REPORT



Exceptional Progress Made Prior to Christmas

Since the last site report there has been a lot of activity. The last part of the internal drainage system has been installed by Desertpool, the groundworks contractor, and the bricklayers have constructed the perimeter masonry and the blockwork that will support the stepped auditorium seating.

The size of the new cinema extension can be clearly seen from the steel structure in the picture

Once the masonry was in place the slab sub-base was prepared using an excavator and roller, on top of which the damp proof membrane and insulation was laid so that the building is kept warm and dry. Mesh reinforcement was then laid over the insulation and approximately 60 tonnes of concrete was placed to form the ground floor slab. Due to the narrow access, a concrete pump was used to pump the concrete from lorries parked by the gate to the slab area.

In order to form the 1st floor, which will accommodate the projector room and store room, a metal deck system was installed on top of which mesh reinforcement was placed. The contractors have also formed a reinforced concrete staircase to provide the escape route from screen 2. The concrete was poured to the 1st floor deck and stairs using a similar concrete pump.

As soon as the ground floor slab was poured the scaffolders started to erect the deck which will give access for the carpenters to install the roof structure.

Mark and the site team did very well to reach these milestones before the Christmas break which has given the project a good boost.

Next Steps!

The reinforcement and concrete have now been placed to form the 1st floor slab (projector room and store) as well as the staircase which forms the escape route from the 1st floor and screen 2. The ground workers have returned to reduce the ground level around the building and install the external raincoat drainage. A 'birdcage' scaffold has been erected to the building to give safe high-level access to the roof. The high and low-level roof joists are being installed and the plywood deck has been laid to the low-level roof. Over the next few weeks the roof structure will be completed, a perimeter scaffold will be installed, the roof plant structures will be delivered to site and contractors will commence laying waterproof coverings.

*Reinforced
concrete staircase
being formed*



*Pictures show
metal deck system
and perimeter
masonry*