



Total project
cost £6.3m

9 local jobs created
12 apprentices
supported

Friars Mill employee profile



Albert Bates

Gatesman since September 2014

From Glen Parva

Employment journey

Agency worker for nine years previously, and hopes to continue now long term with William Anelay. 'I enjoy my position so I've no ambition to change that'.

Benefits of working in Leicester

More time with family, minimal travelling costs.

Skills development

Up-to-date on Health and Safety, including method statements and understanding risk assessments. 'Through supervising labourers and managing deliveries my liaison and negotiation skills have increased.'

'I love working in construction, fresh air and fun environment, can't beat it.'



Kerry Corbett

Document controller since June 2015

From Wigston Magna

Employment journey

Recommended to this role by an agency. Kerry is combining this job with training to start her own business and hopes to continue in this type of work part-time.

Benefits of working in Leicester

More energy from not having to travel, and an ability to keep a balanced life - work, family and friends.

Skills development

'This project has enabled me to work within and relate to a diverse group of people. I have learnt different systems and more contemporary ways of updating drawing registers. Due to the fast-paced environment I've taken a more pro-active and adaptable approach.'

'The feeling you get when you have been a part of an innovative project is immeasurable'

About the project

Friars Mill, a disused mill complex on the banks of the River Soar, is undergoing a £6.3million redevelopment scheme to bring it back into use as a base for local businesses.

What Constructing Leicester delivered

The council worked with specialist restoration builders William Anelay, to prepare an Employment and Skills Plan to ensure that local people would have access to educational opportunities such as site tours, work experience placements and employment on the site.

