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Go Behind the Scenes of a Construction Project with Open Doors 2020!

Open Doors gives visitors a unique insight into working in construction, with the chance to explore construction sites, offices, factories and training centres across Great Britain. Bookings for [Open Doors 2020](#) are live from January 6, with visits taking place throughout Open Doors Week between Monday 16 – Saturday 21 March, 2020.

Designed to encourage young people and those looking for a change of career to join the industry by promoting the wide range of opportunities available, this year's Open Doors will feature a variety of sites showcasing hundreds of different professions, including thousands of apprenticeship places.

Open Doors 2019 saw almost 300 workplaces opened up and down the country, with schools and colleges particularly encouraged to book a visit and open the eyes of their students to the careers available in their local community. New sites will continue to be added until the end of February, so keep an eye on the [Open Doors website](#) for up to date locations, as well as sites in your local area.



(Participants at Open Doors 2019)

Open Doors aims to change perceptions around construction, and encourage the next generation to explore the wide range of opportunities available across the sector. Crucially, many roles are not based on site, with companies requiring a back-office support network, front-of-house sales teams, and cutting-edge technical roles.

Delivered by Build UK in partnership with the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB), Open Doors is supported by industry partners the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS) and the Home Builders Federation (HBF), alongside our community partners the Careers & Enterprise Company (CEC) and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). The primary media partner is Construction News (CN).

Suzannah Nichol MBE, Chief Executive of Build UK, said:

“Open Doors brings together the whole industry to offer unparalleled access to projects and offices usually off limits to the public. The week offers a great opportunity for anyone

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interested in joining construction to find out what is going on in their community. Come along and see what we get up to in construction and why we are so passionate about what we do by booking a visit on the [Open Doors website](#).”

John Yarham, CEO of The Careers & Enterprise Company, added:

“Open Doors provides invaluable insight into what it means to work in the world of construction. You can’t be what you can’t see, and this initiative is a chance to learn about what a career in this vibrant and varied sector looks like. Experiences like this are important to ensure young people have more choice about what they can do, as well as the confidence to get out there and do it.”

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