

Est8Update

Spring 2012

Message From The Director

Dear colleagues

It is with some sadness that this month we said goodbye to Trevor Humphreys who has left us to take up his new post as Director of Estates at the University of Leicester. You will read more about Trevor elsewhere in this edition but I would like to place on record my personal thanks for all his help and support to me and to the University more widely. We will miss him but know that he will be a great success in his new role.

Trevor's departure has meant a bit of a re-shuffle of the management team, and as recently announced to the Estates and Facilities unit managers, I am very pleased to be able to tell you that we have made two excellent appointments for the positions created by Trevor's departure.

Firstly, Emma Gardner has been appointed as Head of Environmental Sustainability. Emma will join us from AECOM and will start on 2nd July. Secondly, the Assistant Director/Head of Capital Projects is Steve Jordan, who joins us from Drivers Jonas Deloitte on 16th July. I know that you join me in congratulating them and that you will all make them feel welcome.

A Capital Projects Manager has also been advertised and I hope that we will be able to make an appointment during the summer.

We look forward to another busy summer of works with a number of LTM schemes and teaching room refurbishments being on site, and a long awaited refurbishment of the Rock Café on the north campus. We are also gathering information from Faculties, Schools and support areas to revisit our Estates masterplan with a view to a report going to the Board of Governors in the early autumn. The Learning Commons will also be completed during the summer and I hope you will find time to take a look at this new student facility when it opens. The building will be a centre for student learning and the outside areas will provide new public realm where the external screen on the east elevation of the Learning Commons can be viewed.

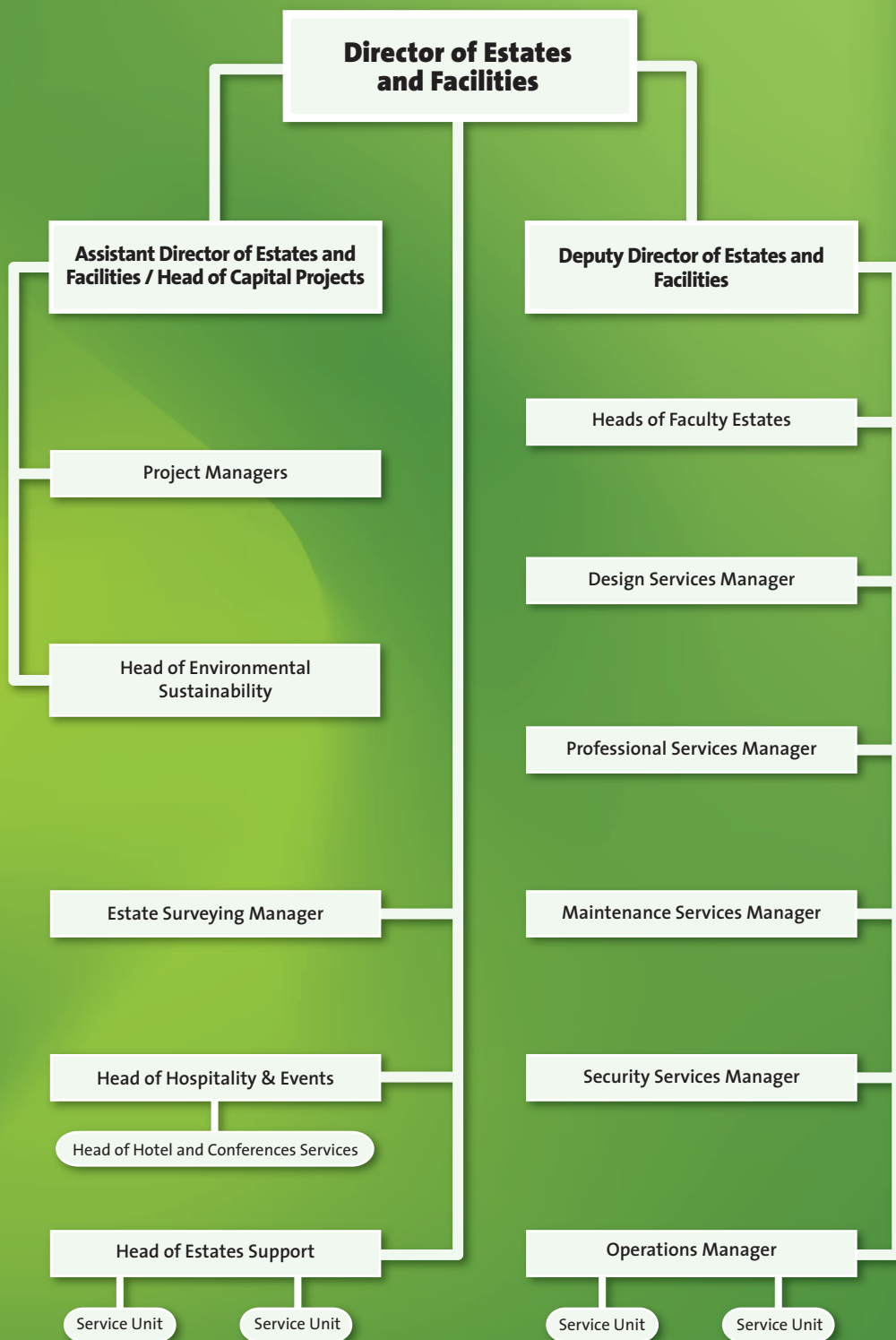
Thanks to those who are involved in the examinations period and also to those who will be involved in the graduation ceremonies in July. Let's hope we eventually get some warmer weather by then!

Best wishes



Diana Hampson
Director of Estates and Facilities

Directorate of Estates and Facilities New Structure



Carbon Saver Gold Standard

The University of Manchester is committed to meeting its carbon reduction target of 40% by 2020. An example of this commitment is our recent certification under the Carbon Saver Gold Standard. This certification is based on evidence that the University has reduced its relative emissions over the past few years.

As well as our emissions, the Carbon Saver Standard looked at many other aspects of carbon management, including: senior management commitment, policy, investment in energy efficiency, communication and staff engagement. Our high marks in many of these categories enabled us to achieve the Gold standard.

Certification under an approved standard is an important Early Action Metric (EAM) of the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) and should help our position in the CRC league Table.



Damian Oatway
Assistant Mechanical and Energy Engineer, PSU

Learning Enrichment Fund

I am delighted to confirm that a bid for funding towards 'Operation Crossbar' has been approved by the Development and Alumni office from the Learning Enrichment Fund to a value of £2,500. This figure is being supported by a similar amount from the Security Crime Prevention budget and jointly will fund several hundred high quality and secure bike locks to be made available to both staff and students at a highly subsidised rate.

The aims of the scheme are to reduce bike theft on campus - one of the most common crimes - and to also contribute to encouraging both staff and students to cycle instead of other forms of transport.

The bid was put together by Ian Halliwell, Crime Reduction Officer, supported by Andrew Hough, Sustainable Travel Planner. Depending on the demand for the locks over the first year of the scheme, we will look to secure further opportunities to purchase more locks in the future. Any member of staff can buy a lock as long as they have their bike registered and stamped, again to assist in crime prevention and bike recovery in the future.

Trevor Humphreys
Deputy Director of Estates/Head of Environmental Sustainability

Security Jobs Well Done

Security - Jobs Well Done

- 8 Apr 12 Drunk and Disorderly, MBS West – 1 arrest
- 25 Mar 12 Theft of Pedal Cycle, Altrincham Terrace – 2 arrests
- 17 Mar 12 Burglary, Whitworth Park – 1 arrest
- 13 Mar 12 Obtaining money by deception, Oxford Road – 2 arrests
- 11 Mar 12 Assault, Waterloo Place – 1 arrest
- 6 Mar 12 Theft of Pedal Cycle, Alan Turing Building – 1 arrest
- 5 Mar 12 Theft of Pedal Cycle, Williamson Building – 1 arrest
- 3 Mar 12 Assault, Charles Street MSCP – 1 arrest
- 24 Feb 12 Burglary, Faraday Building – 4 arrests
- 13 Feb 12 Theft of Pedal Cycle, Alan Turing Building – 1 arrest
- 9 Feb 12 Obtaining money by deception, Oxford Road – 3 arrests
- 25 Jan 12 Going equipped to steal, North East MSCP – 1 arrest
- 25 Jan 12 Assault, JRUL – 2 arrests

Many thanks to all security staff (both on the ground and in the control rooms) for their good teamwork and professionalism, their prompt responses and actions help to keep us all safe.

Diane Martindale
Administrator, Security Services

James Chadwick Building



The new building for the school of Chemical Engineering and Analytical Sciences was officially handed over to the School at the beginning of February. Teaching will begin in the building in September.

The new James Chadwick building comprises five floors of mixed teaching space, research laboratories, teaching laboratories and support accommodation. The interior is arranged

either side of an atrium running the full height of the building. To one side of the atrium is an experimental 'Pilot Plant' area where industrial scale experiments can be undertaken across a number of floors. At the other side of the atrium are teaching labs, office spaces, staff areas, and research labs. The new building is situated on Booth Street East (opposite the Aquatics Centre car park).

FoodOnCampus Fundraising - Reach Out

FoodOnCampus raised an amazing £480 via collection tins at till points for local charity Reach Out. Reach Out provide a range of bespoke mentoring projects for young people aged 8 - 16 at schools and youth centres in Manchester, utilising a range of fun activities including sports and dance to engage with the young people most at need. Mentors help the young people develop numeracy and literacy skills, whilst also developing valuable

character-building and communication skills, promoting fairness, self-control, good judgement and staying power.

The money raised is enough to fund 5 teenagers going on an outward bound trip that will build their self belief. One of the young people who has been supported by the charity said "If you don't believe in yourself, you're not going nowhere".

Busy Easter for Conferences

It's been a busy Easter with a number of large conferences taking place on campus-including the National Astronomy Meeting(NAM 2012) for 700 delegates and the organiser has already been in touch to say thank you

"On behalf of all involved in organising NAM, I would like to thank you for all your help with the arrangements, and especially for being very helpful when we had to make last minute adjustments due to increased numbers. We have had very positive feedback from delegates on the excellent facilities in University Place, on the food and

refreshment arrangements and so on. Please also pass on our thanks to the catering staff, security staff and all who helped to make our meeting a success."

Other Easter conferences included the Association for Language Learning for around 200 delegates over 3 days, and the National Geographical Association for 600 delegates over 4 days, the Association for University Administrators annual conference, attended by 600 University administrators, and Amnesty International's annual conference and AGM for 500.

Fairtrade Fortnight

To celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight FoodOnCampus ran a number of Fairtrade related offers and held a Market in University Place on Friday 2nd March. The fortnight was a huge success and really helped to highlight why we sell Fairtrade products and the difference buying Fairtrade can make. The Fairtrade cakes sent out from the Central Processing Unit proved very popular with the carrot cake the clear favourite amongst customers.



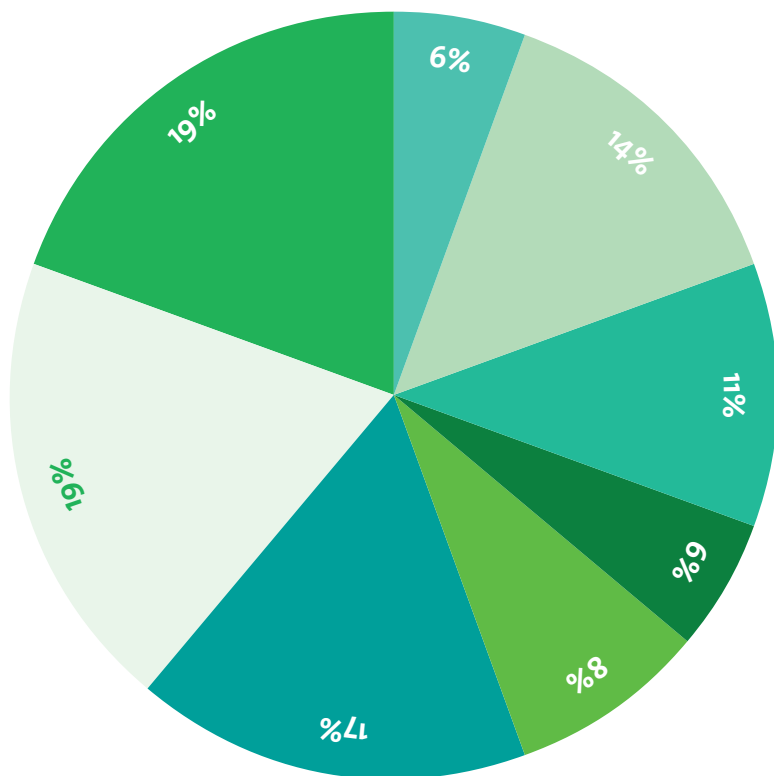
Wellbeing Week Activities

As part of the Wellbeing Week activities FoodOnCampus held a cookery demonstration in EATS for staff and students demonstrating how to cook healthy meals for under a fiver. Dishes included a warm broccoli and pepper salad, leek and cheese risotto and a bean and sausage stew.

FoodOnCampus also did soup sampling in University Place as part of the 'Main Event' exhibition which was really well received. Curried Parsnip was the clear favourite.



Directorate of Estates and Facilities Accident Statistics



- Contact with a hot object (2)
- Contact with a moving object (5)
- Contact with a sharp object (4)
- Fell from a height (2)
- Hit by something fixed or stationary object (3)
- Injured whilst handling, lifting or carrying (6)
- Tripped, slipped or fell on the same level (7)
- Violence/Assault (7)

As can be seen from the illustrations from the below graph, with regards to the Directorate's accidents for the first quarter of 2012, slips/trips, manual handling and collision with a moving object are our highest categories once again.

Typically these areas continue to feature prominently and I urge once more that you exercise your sense of competence awareness and common sense when manually lifting or moving heavy/large items.

With regards to slips and trips, this winter Security and the campus cleansing and landscape teams undertook proactive reporting of trip hazards, be they broken flags, ice/moss, damaged steps etc and this information was then passed through to the

Helpdesk to our Maintenance or Professional Services Units' to deal with directly. Well done to all who contributed to this effort.

In continuance of sustained reporting of slip/trip hazards, "Health and Safety Engagement Week", which will take place during 11-15 June, is encouraging all to "see it-report it". The event is being co-ordinated through the STDU and Safety Services, with a multitude of activities and seminars on offer. I encourage you all to not only to "see-it report it" (Helpdesk 52424), but to also visit and take part in the many activities being offered during the event.

Dave Massey
Estates and Facilities Health & Safety Officer

New Look for Conferencing



The University of Manchester
Conferences and Venues

As part of the University's recent brand review, we are very pleased to announce that a new sub-brand has been awarded for conferences at the University, and will be known as "The University of Manchester Conferences and Venues"-an integral part of Estates and Facilities, which recognises the important contribution that the conference sales and events team alongside media services, catering, house services staff and many others within the Directorate make in working together to deliver

successful events, which are worth around £5 million a year to the University. This sub-brand will sit alongside other University sub-brands such as the Manchester Museum and Whitworth Art Gallery, and replaces the Manchester Conference Centre sub-brand that conferences used to have before the centre was sold.

Promotional activities are now underway to introduce the new sub-brand to the wider University and externally. It was officially launched on the 16th May at the Academic Venue Show (an exhibition promoting academic venues across the UK for conferences and events).

Please note our new website address is: www.manchester.ac.uk/conference and the email is: conference@manchester.ac.uk

The Conference Office Exhibiting in London

The Conference Sales team attended the Confex exhibition at Excel in London during 3 days in March, promoting the University's venues for conferences and events and went back to London on 10th May for the Manchester Live event, organised by Visit Manchester which promotes Manchester venues only.

Electronic Plug-In Timers



Do you have equipment in your office that is left turned on 24/7?

The Energy Team has a limited number of electronic plug-in timers which can be used on electrical equipment. These timers can be set to turn electrical equipment off/on at specified times on individual days, or a set time during the week and to turn on at weekends if needed. They can store 24 different off/on programs. There is also an over-ride setting in case staff come in earlier or stay later.

These units are ideally suited for many different types of equipment including:

- ▶ Photocopiers
- ▶ Printers
- ▶ Scanners
- ▶ Monitors
- ▶ Tea urns and coffee percolators

They should NOT be used for PC's, fax machines, fridges, etc.

Please consult with other staff in your office so they are aware on how to use these units. Over long Bank Holiday weekends and Christmas breaks the equipment should still be turned off at the switch.

Please contact Damian Oatway (damian.oatway@manchester.ac.uk, ext. 52277) if you have an item of equipment that would be suitable for one of these units or if you have any questions about their usage.

Damian Oatway
Assistant Mechanical and Energy Engineer, PSU

Farewell Trevor



Take a look at Trevor's wardrobe from when he first started at the University! We're all relieved that Trevor's dress sense has changed along with the times, although he does still like his pink shirts - Trevor and a few of his golfing pals.

You will no doubt be aware that Trevor Humphreys, Deputy Director of Estates & Facilities and Head of Environmental Sustainability, will be leaving the University on Friday 1 June. Trevor has worked within Estates for 14 years and it didn't seem right that he left without an official Farewell in the Estates newsletter.

Trevor is an extremely ambitious person, progressing to senior management during his time at the University, and it is that ambition, along with hard work and dedication that has earned him the position of Director of Estates at the University of Leicester. We would like to send huge Congratulations to Trevor and wish him every success in his new post.

It is clear from the new structure, and the separation of the roles that Trevor has been undertaking, that he will leave behind some very big shoes to fill. Trevor will take with him a wealth of knowledge and expertise of which many of us have called upon frequently over the years.

But that's enough about the work side; Trevor will not just be missed for those reasons, but also as a person. In the time I have worked for Trevor, he has been more than just a manager and colleague, Trevor is a remarkably supportive, friendly and kind-hearted person, and there hasn't been a day since it was announced he would be leaving that someone hasn't told me they are sorry he is going.

Trevor is a loyal, dedicated friend and can always be relied upon to put a smile on your face and I am sure many of us have stories about Trevor that will certainly not be forgotten when he leaves.

Trevor - Estates really won't be the same without you and from all of your friends and colleagues; we would like to thank you for everything, we will miss you and wish you every success in the future.

Steph Marsh

On behalf of the Editorial Team and Estates & Facilities

New Starters, Retirements and Leavers

New starters

Professional Services Unit

Tony Small has been appointed to the post of Principal Mechanical and Energy Engineer and took up his position on 19th March 2012. Tony will be located in Room 3.006, along with his team, on the 3rd floor of the Beyer Building.

Retirements

House Services

The following staff retired from House Services during March and April and we wish them all the best:

David Reddish
James Hampson
Valerie Roberts

Peter Bennett
Keith Riley
Barbara Skaife

Sad News

Security Services

On the 11th April 2012 Security Services lost a friend and colleague in Keith Newland, Keith joined us as a Patrol Officer on the 25th October 2004, our thoughts are with his family and friends at this sad time.

Maintenance Services Unit

Brian Gregson, Building Services Technician, Maintenance Services, sadly passes away on 20th May 2012. Brian will be missed by his many friends and colleagues at within Estates and Facilities and our thought are with his family at this saddest of times.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Danielle Summerfield who started her new role as Administrative & Finance Assistant within House Services at the end of January. We wish Danielle all the best in her new role.

What a High!

I was given the gift of a tandem skydive by my husband Graham for my 40th Birthday last year, he had decided that after spending years of listening to me saying I would love to do a tandem skydive that he would call my bluff!! I can honestly say I'm glad he did, so on the 19th February 2012 we made our way to Northwest SkyDive at Grange over Sands and

finally at 14,000 ft I jumped out of a plane with my tandem partner Pete who was an absolute nutter and absolutely loved it.

Diane Martindale
Administrator, Security Services



Resolution Recap

Over 12 months ago, I made a New Years Resolution to enrol on and complete a Level 3 Certificate in Swedish Massage, and I am pleased to say I recently had news that I have passed all my exams.

Now the scary stuff really starts... I have been so absorbed in the treatments, I still haven't got round to decorating my 'Therapy Room', so the plasterer is now booked and the paint colours chosen... I don't think I can expect paying customers to be treated in my living room! Once the room is sorted, it's on with the official business of becoming a self-employed massage therapist.

The good news is I already have promises from some of my practice clients that they will be coming back to me and paying for treatments, and I have enjoyed it so much, I have already enrolled on an Indian Head Massage course starting in July!

If you have an achievement or hidden talent you want to tell us about, please get in touch with a member of the Editorial Team.

Steph Marsh
Directors Office

Running Commentary

Helen's Story

I am still very much into my running and have recently completed two races in extremely contrasting weather conditions.

December 2011 was the annual 'Stockport 10' mile race, a very hilly route not made any easier by Sunday morning traffic and irate Christmas shoppers. This year, minutes before the start, the heavens opened, adding to the ginormous puddles made by the overnight rain. But despite that and the gusting winds, the race was actually a lot of fun!! You get to a point where you can't get any colder or wetter and just forget about the conditions. Completing the course in such extreme weather gave me the confidence to get out all winter as I trained for my third Wilmslow Half Marathon.

Unfortunately for me, the Wilmslow race always falls close to my birthday with the last two races being the day before and on my birthday. This year my birthday was two days later, so all thoughts of birthday cake were replaced by carb loading and ensuring sufficient hydration as we were in the middle of an unseasonably warm spell.

Race day dawned bright, sunny and warm, and got hotter and hotter. 13.1 miles in what felt like normal British summer temperatures was no fun at all, the last two miles were utter hell. I have never been as glad to get over the finish line, and even my slowest ever half marathon time couldn't stop me from being glad I had made it! You know the weather is strange when you get sun burnt whilst running a race!

Now I'm running for pleasure (yes, really) with the possibility of a late autumn half marathon a month before the 'Stockport 10'. Seeing as snow is the only weather I haven't done a race in, I'll be preparing for all conditions on the day!!

Steph's Story

If only I could say the same as Helen! After moving from Macclesfield nearly 2 years ago, running took a backseat to all the decorating, DIY and gardening I had to do and I decided it was time to get back on the treadmill! I signed myself up for the Great Manchester Run, thinking 6 miles would be 'easy' after having trained for a half marathon a couple of years ago... how wrong I was!

Not only had I signed up to do the Great Manchester Run, I had also signed up for a 26 mile walk across the Isle of Wight AND I opted to take my final exam for my massage course, all in the space of 2 weeks. Training for the walk and studies for my course took over and with just a month to go to the run, I hadn't done any training!

With support from my boyfriend, we donned our trainers and hit the streets, managing to build up our distance to 5 miles, so I was feeling a lot more confident before the run, until I was hit by a horrible cold and cough! I was determined not to let it stop me, so I took my hankies with me on the day and managed to complete the run in 1 hour 4 minutes and 45 seconds... not bad considering was nose was running faster than my legs!

Helen Collier and Steph Marsh
EPS Faculty Estates and Directors Office

Have you got 'The Impinging Thirst'?

Welcome, thirstiest of children, to another life quenching bulletin of FATM!

I don't know about you, but the exceedingly schizophrenic springtime weather we've been suffering lately has left me unreasonably parched; like a dusty old rag found loitering at the back of Jimmy Saville's airing cupboard. This rag in fact, is so utterly barren of moisture that even the ghost of Mother Teresa would blush at it's unholly dustiness.

Just the idea gave me the willies!

Well kids, luckily for us, one of the largest Real Ale festivals in the country visited our region this spring, showcasing a wealth of delicious brews from across the north west and beyond. Those of us who partook in such pleasantries not only had our impinging thirst quenched into oblivion, but again bore witness to the ever increasing weekday hordes of ale swiggers, proving yet again that Real Ale is fast becoming the nations favourite tittle.

Unfortunately, we only had the chance to try 23 ales over the three day festival period, but the exquisitely demonic 'Imperial Damson & Vanilla Porter 8.5%' from Hawkshead, and the sensational mega-quaff that was 'Quantum Stout 4.8%', from Quantum, were

real highlights of the show. Not so clever was the stinking misty cabbage-water 'Basketcase 4.8%' from the Spitting Feathers Brewery in Cheshire...truly disagreeable.

But enough about that. This issue's review comes direct from Didsbury, which for those of you who don't know, is a small affluent hamlet set in deepest south Manchester, sandwiched between a trio of hellholes; namely Withington, Northenden and Burnage. Some of our readers may already be aware of Didsbury's reputation as fertile boozing ground due to it's infamous 'stagger': The Didsbury Dozen.

The pub we visited was The Royal Oak in the centre of town (which is the better of the two Marston's pubs in Didsbury). This all round decent boozier has changed hands in recent years and although it doesn't attract as many people as it used to (according to some of the bitter regulars), it still seems to tick over nicely.

A couple of guest ales plus the usual selection of Marston's flagship brews were available on the night, so we opted to inspect Marston's premium ale: Pedigree.

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FOAMING AT THE MOUTH

NAME **Pedigree**
BREWERY **Marston's**
ABV **4.5%**
VENUE **The Royal Oak (Didsbury)**

A subtle grapefruity undercurrent of flavour that dances around on your tastebuds before slipping down and leaving a trail of dry malty sweetness.

Appearance	8/10
Aroma	4/10
Atmosphere	7/10
Flavour	7/10
Location	7/10
Service	7/10
Temperature	7/10
Value	6/10
Venue	7/10
Viscosity	8/10

68% Final rating
The drains must be playing up again.

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Frozen Yogurt Available in EATS

EATS Restaurant in University Place now has a help yourself frozen yogurt bar. The toppings available include a selection of fresh fruit, chocolate buttons, M&M's and much more. The frozen yogurt is fat free and delicious so if you're looking for something nice but not so naughty why not pop into EATS and give the frozen yogurt a try.

Emma I have pictures for the first two articles but I haven't been able to download them today due to technical problems but should be able to over the weekend so you will have them on Monday Morning.

New Menu @ Café Rylands

Café Rylands which is located within the John Rylands Library on Deansgate has launched a new menu. The new menu includes a mix of old favourites and some exciting new additions including the J.R. Burger. The menu also includes mouth watering seasonal specials and as all the ingredients used to make these dishes are locally sourced and seasonal they are in their prime so taste great and are more sustainable.

University Staff receive a 10% discount on production of their ID card so why not pop in when your next in Manchester.

Keep it On Campus Event Day

After the success of the first Keep It On Campus event in January, the conference sales and events team are hosting another training day on the 20th June, giving University event organisers the opportunity to see the principal venues at the University and understand the services available to support meetings and events with the chance to meet the teams involved.

If you would like to attend, please visit:
www.manchester.ac.uk/kioc to register for the day.

We Want To Hear Your Stories

Est8 Update would very much welcome the opportunity to hear from colleagues within the Directorate about anything that you are particularly proud to have achieved or have been involved in, charitable events you are taking part in/have taken part in or about any interesting hobbies/past times that you may have.

If you would like to share your story with Est8 Update, either contact myself or send your story (along any photograph(s) as we love our photos here) to the Est8 Update Editorial Team:

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Est8 Update Quiz – Sudoku

Complete the Sudoku puzzle for your chance to win a £20 voucher! Send your entries to Emma Lloyd, Director of Estate's Office, room 3.001, 3rd floor, Beyer Building or at emma.lloyd@manchester.ac.uk by Friday 22nd June. **REMEMBER, YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT.**

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Est8 Update Quiz Winner and Answers - Cockney Rhyme and Slang

Congratulations to Tomasz Rygielski, Estates Surveying Office, who correctly fathomed out the Cockney Rhyming Slang phrases and won a £20 voucher.. Answers:

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| 1. Believe | 5. Hands | 9. Road | 13. Fiver | 17. Thief |
| 2. Stairs | 6. Look | 10. Easy | 14. Windy | 18. Jewellery |
| 3. Lodger | 7. Mate | 11. Pinch | 15. Stink | 19. State |
| 4. Gravy | 8. Boots | 12. Piano | 16. Tea | 20. Suit |

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