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# Grange Paddocks - Topping Out

Hello, I’m Tom Francis from Varsity Consulting. We’re the Quantity Surveyors and Project Managers delivering Grange Paddocks new Leisure Centre for East Herts District Council.

The project and site team would normally hold a ‘topping out’ ceremony at this point in the build to celebrate the structure reaching its highest point, but due to COVID-19 restrictions this sadly isn’t possible, so I’m going to show you around the build instead.

The pool hall is really taking shape. We have two pools here, as well as a confidence water area and a spectator seating gallery. These pools hold just over a million litres of water, so in the interests of sustainability, the Contractor Willmott Dixon used rainwater to fill them for testing. This area is now ready to be tiled, following which the pools will be filled with clean water, ready for the residents of East Herts to enjoy a swim.

This space will be the main gym, when completed this will include 130 pieces of state-of-the-art fitness equipment. There will also be separate studios for fitness classes.

The building is nearly at the stage of achieving watertightness, with the glazing and cladding being installed next. We’re really looking forward to showing you the finished article when the building is complete early this Autumn.