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CRC PRESERVES HISTORY UNDER SINGLE SITE

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A time capsule filled with a wide variety of current Cambridge Regional College memorabilia was buried today under the last paving stone to be laid, as part of the £multi-million redevelopment.

The Science Park campus has been on its current site since it was opened in November 1993. However, the City Centre campus on Newmarket Road continued to remain open to provide training for Catering, Hair & Beauty and Skills for Life.



Becky Brown, Trevor Smith and Principal Rick Dearing bury the time capsule

This proved an excellent training facility for many years, but was sold for residential redevelopment last year in order to provide the capital necessary to build and equip state of the art, 21st century education and training facilities at the Science Park Campus. The capsule is buried in “The Park” grounds, which includes SmartLIFE, the new hair & beauty studios, the new restaurant and bistro, travel agent and sports facilities.

The time capsule is made of lead and is hermetically sealed, to be opened in 2109. It contains many items such as: various prospectuses, student music, newspaper clippings of student competition winners, sports staff jacket, College DVDs, a CD created by music students, a photograph of current staff and a mobile phone and charger.

Trevor Smith, Head of Facilities and Estates at CRC said, “The burying of the Time Capsule marks another significant step in the College’s history and indeed its progress. As we remember with fondness at this time, the past history of our City Centre campus, hopefully, at some distant time in the future, our successors will have similar memories”.

The first stage of the Single Site Project to be completed was the new reception area in August 2008, followed by the new Sports facilities in March 2009 and the Motor Vehicle Building in April 2009. The Catering, Hair & Beauty building is now complete and will be fully kitted out over the summer break, to be ready for use in the new academic year.

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