Pure Innovations SEND site visit
20th January 2023



GMI support Pure Innovations SEND construction group with Site Visit to our Bendix St Project.

On Friday 20th January the GMI team at Bendix St welcomed a group of 5 learners from the Pure Innovations Specialist Skills Supported internship construction programme.

The Specialist Skills internship is a year long program ran in conjunction with Manchester College and runs 4 days per week Monday to Thursday. All the interns have an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) and attend college before embarking on a work placement in their chosen profession.

The group were welcomed to site by Responsible Business Partner Daniel Proffitt before being taken through the site induction by Senior Site Manager Andy Rainger.

Once the students had learned all about the project and how to stay safe on site, they then met TMJ Joiners, one of the main subcontractors on site who gave them an overview of their role within the build but also discussed taking any budding Joiners on a work placement with two of the students who had completed their Level 3 diploma in Joinery were very eager to take up this opportunity.

After all the talks had finished, the students donned their PPE and led by Andy Rainger, were taken onto the Bendix St site and given a tour of the build. From the high risers on the outside of the building to the pre built bathroom pods, the students were shown every aspect and their enthusiasm and interest shone through. They all asked some really inquisitive questions, showing a great understanding of construction techniques and keeping Andy on his toes!

Chris Higham (work experience coordinator)

"The students loved it and came away buzzing, really excited about their future careers. Getting them on a live site was amazing for them and being offered work placements was the cherry on the top!
We really appreciate the time everyone spent with us as they must be busy but the students were made to feel incredibly welcome by everyone they met – thanks GMI"