Nancy Rothwell Building: Departmental homes - Key questions answered

What will departmental homes offer?

Five social spaces within the building workspace will become designated hubs for each department based in the building. These are designed to offer more organic meeting points for colleagues and PGRs, with wall-mounted solutions in place to allow departments to share news and successes.

A set of design templates has been developed for each department, building on identity-led design work colleagues may have already seen in the event space. These will be provided to departments when their space is ready, making it straightforward to change displays and keep stories fresh and up to date.

Where are departmental homes located?

Spaces have been designated to each department in as close proximity to where colleagues are based as possible, taking into account available wall space for the solutions noted above and the proportion of departmental colleagues based in the building workspace.

Provisional locations are provided below:

Department	Location
Chemical Engineering	Fourth Floor, Core 2 West
Civil Engineering and Management	Fifth Floor, Core 1 East
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Third Floor, Core 4 West
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	Sixth Floor, Core 4 East
Materials	Sixth Floor, Core 3 East

When will these be delivered?

Contractors will be installing display solutions in phases, with installation work expected to be completed across all five spaces by January 2027.

To help bring the displays to life from the outset, our Internal Communications Team will develop an initial set of stories and successes based on suggestions from colleagues and using the templates noted above, showing the kinds of content that could feature. If you have an idea you'd like us to consider, please get in touch with Liam O'Hanlon.