

Giltbrook Retail Park

Property overview

Giltbrook is located near Nottingham and began trading in September 2008. The 199,000 sq ft Park is now home to 17 shops, bringing 400 new jobs to the area. It is set to attract over 6 million visitors a year. It is managed by an on-site team, with Savills acting as managing agents.



Our use of resources

Giltbrook won British Land's Building Together Award for Sustainable Design 2008.



Zero-carbon energy sources on-site include two wind turbines and solar thermal roof panels. The lighting system is zoned so that areas of the car park lighting can be switched off overnight without affecting security. Rainwater from the large roof area is harvested in two 25,000 litre tanks and re-used to water landscaping. This also mitigates flood risk by reducing the amount of water flowing down the drains during peak rains.

Giltbrook recycled 38% of waste, diverting 48 tonnes from landfill. Cardboard, plastic and glass were segregated, compacted and bailed on site. The team also uses an electric recycling van to reduce carbon emissions. During development our design team re-used 31,500m³ of waste on-site, saving waste from landfill as well as reducing transport and disposal costs.



British Land and Tesco part-funded the set up costs for a new bus service to Giltbrook Retail Park. This is making it easier for people to travel by public transport rather than car, easing traffic congestion in Nottingham and cutting carbon emissions. The new service, run by Veolia Transport, operates seven days a week, 364 days of the year. Kimberley & Cossall Councillor, Richard Robinson, stated: "I cannot express enough my gratitude to Tesco, British Land and Veolia who have worked tirelessly on this ground breaking project."

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I am delighted to be able to officially launch this very innovative and practical scheme, and I am sure that it will be appreciated and well used by many local people.

Geoff Hoon

Secretary of State for Transport

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In October 2008, the Rt Hon Geoff Hoon MP officially opened Giltbrook, on his first official engagement as Secretary of State for Transport. He was accompanied

by Mayoress of Broxtowe, Councillor Sue Wildey, local MP Dr Nick Palmer, local Councillor Richard Robinson, and senior representatives from British Land, Veolia Transport and Tesco. Children from Gilthill Primary School created a series of environmental displays for the launch event. These celebrated how the Park has been designed to be energy, water and waste efficient, with low-carbon emissions.

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Our involvement in the opening of Giltbrook Retail Park has given us the opportunity to demonstrate our creativity and show how seriously we take climate change. I knew that our pupils would rise wonderfully to the occasion.

Peter Callaway

Headteacher at Giltbrook Primary School

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In October, 260 shoppers pledged to make good environmental choices following a two-week sustainability event at Giltbrook. They committed to saving 235 tonnes of carbon emissions by switching to green power, lowering their thermostats and using public transport more. This is equivalent to over 21,000 return train journeys from London to Paris. They also promised to save more than 400 trees each year by recycling paper regularly and enough energy to power a computer for over 14,000 hours by recycling glass regularly.

Giltbrook provided use of space to a number of charities, community groups and schools, enabling them to raise both funds and awareness. Mencap held a Charity Challenge Day, carrying out activities such as car washing to raise money for people with learning disabilities.



In the run up to Christmas, pupils from Kimberley School held a Carol Concert, raising money for Stepping Stones, a local homeless charity. Park

Manager, Denis Copeland, is also working closely with the school and has joined its Community Panel. Business and Community Coordinator at the school, Jane Lyons, commented: "Due to Mr Copeland's commitment to our school we have been successful in our bid to run the Retail Business Diploma." She explained: "We are the lead school in a consortium of schools and colleges in Nottingham to deliver this Diploma and the only consortium in the whole of Nottinghamshire to do so. The Diploma will be delivered from September 2011 and will be a joint venture by the schools, colleges and our business partners."

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We thank our shoppers for the pledges that they have made to help the environment. By installing water saving devices they will cut water use by over 155,000 litres, enough to run more than 6,000 dishwasher cycles. By installing energy efficient light bulbs they will reduce energy use by nearly 37,000 kWh, enough to run almost 200 fridges for a year. Thank you!

Denis Copeland
Park Manager at Giltbrook

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