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COLLABORATION BRINGS STEAM CAREERS TO LIFE AT BELFAST GRAND CENTRAL STATION SITE

A careers open day, held at the construction site of Belfast Grand Central Station, has brought together 75 female students from five schools in the city for an interactive experience event designed to inspire the next generation of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) talent.

Farrans Sacyr, the main works contractor for Belfast Grand Central Station, hosted the day in collaboration with Translink, W5, CITB and ConstructTuition ahead of International Women

in Engineering Day on 23rd June.

The five leading organisations have joined forces to build a more diverse and inclusive talent pipeline for the construction sector, with Equality Commission NI figures showing that only 11% of engineers are female.

Year nine students from St. Louise's Comprehensive College, Hunterhouse College, Strathearn School, Victoria College and Methodist College took part in a site tour, an

engineering railway challenge, a virtual reality experience, Minecraft, a structural engineering challenge and workshops on sustainability, health and safety and the commercial aspects of running a live project. The event concluded with a selfie competition, sponsored by W5.

Belfast Grand Central Station will deliver a modern, world-class integrated transport hub to enhance local and international connectivity with bus, coach and rail

links across Northern Ireland and beyond. It will offer greater capacity with an increase to 26 bus stands, 8 railway platforms, enhanced walking and cycling connectivity, greater comfort and accessibility encouraging greener, active travel for a healthier, smarter city. The Weavers Cross development delivered as part of the project will regenerate the lands around Grand Central Station and facilitate economic growth and urban regeneration.



Year nine students from St Louise's Comprehensive College, Hunterhouse College, Strathearn School, Victoria College and Methodist College set to take part in a day of fun filled STEAM activities at Belfast Grand Central Station with Farrans Sacyr, Translink, ConstructTuition, W5 and CITB.