



Museum of Liverpool - Mann Island Site, Merseyside

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2000 Tonnes

Caunton supplied the structural steelwork on the new landmark museum for Liverpool. Located at Pierhead, right on the Mersey waterfront –a World Heritage Site too- and next door to the Liver Building, the Museum is set to become an icon for this great city.

Caunton erected some 2000te of structural steelwork, working first off, and away from, massive concrete cores. The total floor area of this three storey museum will be 10,000 sq. m upon completion and will include an impressive central atrium. Construction is founded on a 4m deep cellular raft and involves a complex yet traditional steel frame.

The new £65m museum is to take over from the existing Museum of Liverpool Life, which has been attracting an increasing number of visitors for ten years. Client New Museums of Liverpool, NML, believe this popular museum is too small to house and display its huge urban history collections satisfactorily. By building the new landmark museum, Liverpool will follow in the footsteps of previous European Capitals of Culture, Graz and Cork, which both had iconic buildings built to coincide with the title.