

SITE UPDATE

August 2026



SITE NAME

Caerlee Mill Bike Campus has been selected as the new name for the site, reflecting both its history and its new role in the bike and academic sectors. Caerlee Mill Bike Campus will host the Mountain Bike Innovation Centre and other partners.

PROJECT

The new **Mountain Bike Innovation Centre** project at Caerlee Mill Bike Campus in Innerleithen will:

- Provide a place for businesses – both local and international – to showcase their innovative products in the heart of the UK's leading mountain bike destination.
- Host academics and research by Edinburgh Napier University across the cycling sector.
- Include bike engineering workshop space, brand experience units, events space, offices, meeting rooms and teaching space.

For more information on the project, visit: www.southofscotlandenterprise.com/mtbcentre

South of Scotland Enterprise is leading on the project – with support from Scottish Borders Council and Edinburgh Napier University. The UK Government is investing £15.5 million through the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal for the development of the Mountain Bike Innovation Centre and Trail Lab.

Development partner, Hub South East, is delivering the project and has appointed Morrison Construction as the main contractor.

WORKS UPDATE

The Caerlee Mill Bike Campus is progressing on time and on budget.

The groundworks and drainage works are already completed.

We are excited to see that the steel frame is now in place, which starts to show the final design and shape of the building.

With the building works well underway, there will be multiple announcements over the coming months, from exciting events through to the first tenants, ahead of the Campus opening, which is expected to be July 2027.

COMMUNITY

Working alongside the Heritage Group, the project is taking forward several pieces of work to ensure the history of the Caerlee Mill site is acknowledged and celebrated.

These include:

- Developing plans to install heritage information boards, with support from a local community historian.
- Exploring the option of a large fretwork metal mural on the engine shed.
- Commissioning a painted or drawn mural within the main building, focused on the bike community and incorporating elements of Innerleithen's heritage.
- Exploring options to re-use salvaged materials on site to create features such as benches, signage or planters.



NEW WEBSITE

A new website has now been launched for the facilities and services which will be provided at the Caerlee Mill Bike Campus, providing updates for the community, the bike industry and academic partners, including information on how to get involved.

Visit www.bikeinnovationscotland.com.

SITE SECURITY

The Caerlee Mill Bike Campus has a full perimeter maintained at all times, with a smart CCTV system linked to an Alarm Receiving Centre. Manned guarding and patrols are also in place throughout the duration of the works. If members of the public have any concerns during operational hours, please contact the site using the details below. Out of hours, Police Scotland should be alerted by calling 101.

SITE CONTACT DETAILS

We will keep you up to date with future planned works but if you have any comments, questions or concerns relating to construction work, please get in touch with Morrison Construction. Call: 0141 557 6500 or email: MBICnewbuild@morrisonconstruction.co.uk who will be happy to assist.