



The teachers at the upskilling day enjoy a site tour.

## Teacher upskilling initiative launched at Liverpool One

Kier North West's Tesco site at Liverpool One recently played host to the first in a series of nationwide one-day teacher upskilling events.

Kier Retail has developed the teacher upskilling initiative led by Diana Brookes and the scheme teams up Kier Regional and Tesco Stores with local Education Business Partnerships (EBPs) across the country. It is designed to give a practical insight of working on a large retail construction project for teachers who are delivering the new Construction and the Built Environment Diploma.

Through presentations from key site personnel, operatives and trade professionals, as well as site tours and demonstrations, the teachers at the Liverpool One site were able to make the theory in the classroom become more work related.

Commenting on this first event, marketing manager at Liverpool Compact EBP, Maria Hart, said:

“ We are delighted that Kier and Tesco have offered such a wonderful learning opportunity to Liverpool diploma teachers and lecturers. The upskilling days will allow teachers to see for themselves how a key construction project is planned, designed, managed and completed, and to learn about the day-to-day jobs of the construction professionals involved. This will inform their teaching in the classroom and bring their students' learning to life. ”

Following the success of the first event, Kier Retail is planning to roll out several more teacher upskilling days in partnership with Tesco across the country.