

Connor Hughes

JUNIOR BRICKLAYER



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PROFILE

NVQ Level 2 qualified bricklayer with a CSCS Blue Card and 9 months of site experience on new build housing. Laying 350 to 400 bricks per day on stretcher bond. Experienced in facing brickwork, blockwork, and garden wall construction on a 90 unit residential development with Lovell Partnerships.

EXPERIENCE

Jan 2025 – Present

Junior Bricklayer, Lovell Partnerships, Birmingham

Bricklaying on a 90 unit housing development in Erdington, working as part of a 4 person bricklaying gang.

- Built external leaf facing brickwork from DPC level to eaves on **14 house plots**, maintaining consistent 10mm bed joints and clean perpend
- Laying **350 to 400 bricks per day** on standard stretcher bond, meeting the site programme requirements for 2 plots per week
- Constructed **6 garden walls** with soldier course capping and movement joints at 6 metre centres, working to architect's drawings
- Built **3 chimney stacks** above roof level, incorporating lead flashing trays and maintaining plumb to within 3mm tolerance

Sep 2023 – Dec 2024

Apprentice Bricklayer, K. Walsh Brickwork Ltd, Solihull

Apprenticeship with a specialist brickwork subcontractor, attending Birmingham Metropolitan College on day release.

- Laid **internal blockwork** on 8 house plots, building partition walls to ceiling level using Thermalite and dense concrete blocks
- Mixed mortar to correct ratios (1:4 and 1:6) and maintained consistent colour matching for **facing brickwork**
- Learned to build in Flemish bond and English bond on a **heritage restoration project** at a listed farmhouse in Warwickshire

EDUCATION

Sep 2023 – Dec 2024

NVQ Level 2 (Day Release) in Trowel Occupations (Bricklaying), Birmingham Metropolitan College, Birmingham
Completed with Merit. Practical assessments included building a half brick wall in stretcher bond, a one brick wall in English bond, and an attached pier with oversailing courses.

Sep 2018 – Jun 2023

GCSEs (5 grades 9-4), John Henry Newman Catholic College, Birmingham

Included Maths (Grade 5), English (Grade 4), and Construction (Grade 6).

SKILLS

Facing Brickwork (Stretcher, Flemish, English Bond) • Blockwork (Thermalite & Dense Concrete) • Mortar Mixing & Colour Matching • Garden Wall & Boundary Wall Construction • Chimney Stack Building • Reading Architectural Drawings • Setting Out with Line & Pins • Spirit Level, Plumb Bob & Gauge Rod • Working at Height (Scaffolding) • Manual Handling & Site Safety

CERTIFICATIONS

Jan 2025

CSCS Blue Card – Skilled Worker, Construction Skills Certification Scheme

Dec 2024

NVQ Level 2 – Trowel Occupations (Bricklaying), Birmingham Metropolitan College / City & Guilds

LANGUAGES

English (native)

REFERENCES

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EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY

Mar 2023

Aston Villa Foundation – Community Coaching Volunteer

Help coach an under 12s football session on Tuesday evenings at Witton Lakes. 16 players in the group, running passing drills and small sided games.