

RUDHEATH LODGE

An update from Sibelco

Dear Neighbour,

I write to you during difficult and uncharted times, I wish everybody safety and good health. The information given is subject to change in light of the dynamic situation. Sibelco will be following National Government guidelines for worker and public safety which may impact the timeline of the project.

Spring is on the horizon and our daffodil bulbs are coming up. As some of you may have seen, the planting up of hedgerow gaps around Goostrey Lane and New Platt Lane has begun, the main advanced planting areas will commence in the coming week.

Quarry site development also commenced in mid-February, but due to the poor weather conditions we suspended this activity until early March. Throughout the initial quarry works we are working with a local ecologist who is on site overseeing and advising regarding local fauna and flora to minimise disturbance.

These first quarrying phases are to remove the top soil and create the initial lagoon for the dredge. The removed soils will initially be used within our screening bunds and soil mound, then later in the project used to restore land back to agricultural use. This initial work will be carried out over a four week period.....weather dependent! Plant construction is near completion. Final electrical and water connections are being completed prior to commissioning in early summer.

The A50 & New Platt Lane junction improvements were successfully completed over the weekend of 28th February. The road closure along New Platt Lane is due to be removed on the 10th April, this is a two week extension of the original schedule. The culvert repair work on New Platt Lane has been challenging and was more extensive than originally identified, as such, the work has taken longer as we have had to consult with engineers and the local authority on new requirements. I thank you for your patience around this work as it has been quite a challenge, especially with the weather conditions so far this year.

On the completion of the road works we will establish a permissive path which will run along New Platt Lane from the A50 to the entrance opposite the plant site. This path will allow a safe walking area off the road, within this path we will also erect a notice board in which we will place updates on quarry activity and progress.

Best regards,

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