# Welcome



#### **Combwich Wharf Refurbishment**

Parish Council Update: October 2020



#### Hello from...

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# **Agenda**

- Progress update
- 2. Remaining programme
- 3. Temporary Construction Working hours
- 4. Noise limits & mitigation
- 5. Complaint management
- Keeping in touch
- 7. Questions



#### Transfer Slab Quay

### **Progress Update**

#### Works completed so far

- Mammal crossing under the Private Access Road
- Works to the Private Access Road
- Construction and commissioning of the welfare facilities (1)
- Installation of services
- Temporary Flood Defence Bund
- Combwich Motor Boat & Sailing Club access road
- Berth access ramp (for vehicle access)
- Legato Wall (3)

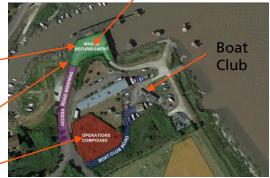




Abnormal Loads Quay (ALQ)

Acoustic Fencing In place

Operations Compound with Welfare Block



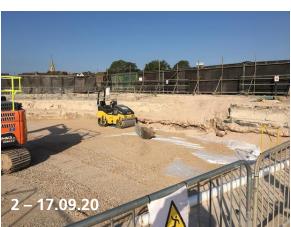




#### **Current Focus**

Removal of the Transfer Slab Quay ahead of the main phase of piling (1/2)





#### What's next...

- Test piling ahead of the main phase of piling (vibration and drilling techniques, not impact)
- Transfer Slab Construction
- Removal of temporary works





## **Anticipated Completion Date**

It has taken longer than originally envisaged to settle on the final design for the wharf improvements at Combwich.

The condition of the existing wharf was investigated and found to have conditions that caused us to locally reassess the sequence of construction to maintain a safe system of works, whilst not undermining the existing structure during or post construction.

There has been an impact on our schedule as a result of Coronavirus. That said we are confident that we will be able to open the wharf to accept deliveries in the first half of next year.



# **Temporary Construction Working Hours**

Construction activity is permitted to take place between the following times:

- Monday to Friday 0800 to 1900
- Saturday 0800 to 1300

The workforce may complete start-up and shut-down activities outside of these hours



#### **Noise Limits**

Mitigation (see next) and best practice is being used to ensure that noise associated with construction is within the thresholds approved by Sedgemoor District Council in accordance with DCO Requirement PW21. Noise monitoring continues to be in place to support this.

- Approval from SDC to temporarily raise noise limit to 75dB until 15 January
- Normal limit is 65dB
- Works will be suspended over the Christmas period



# **Noise Mitigation**

Acoustic fencing has been erected around the wharf edge to reduce noise received at nearby properties. As well as this key mitigation feature the following measures are being enforced:

- Plant is started up sequentially rather than all together;
- Loading/unloading activities are located away from residential properties and shielded from those properties where practicable;
- Drop heights of materials are minimised;
- Plant and equipment is shut down when not in use;
- Only designated internal haul routes are used by construction plant in undertaking movement across the site;
- Specific briefings have been carried out to raise awareness of noise;
- Strict compliance with the site working hours is required;
- All vehicles with reversing alarms must be fitted with broadband alarms or the ability to work without an alarm (if banksman present). Vehicles with only tonal reversing alarms will be banned from site;
- Small powered breaker used where appropriate;
- Using a milling head rather than a breaker where it is not reinforced concrete;
- No amplified sounds on the wharf such as sirens



## **Complaint Management**

We have had positive engagement with the local parish over the years.

In recent weeks we've seen a small increase in complaints from members of the public. The key concerns have been regarding noise and working hours. Our responses have focused on:

- Confirming the permitted working hours
- Confirming noise limits as agreed with SDC
- Confirming type of piling which will be used vibrationary and drilling techniques to minimise disturbance to residents, not impact piling
- Advising on methods of communicating with local residents (see next)

We will continue to manage any enquiries received and answer residents questions.



### How can residents keep in touch?

We are grateful to the parish for your continued patience and support. We'll continue to keep residents updated in the following ways:

Monthly update which is shared with residents signed up for notifications, the Parish Council and it is also posted on the HPC website

Updates on the Otterhampton website (including the Look Ahead)

- Updates in the Otter Tales publication (latest September 2020)
- Updates on the FAQ section of our website

In the latest look ahead we also welcomed anyone who wanted to talk to a member of the Community Relations team 121 to get in touch.

#### How to contact us:

Telephone - 0333 009 7070

Email - hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com

Website – www.edfenergy.com/hpc



HINKLEY POINT C.&



As part of the Hinkley Point C project, works are underway to refurbish the current wharf in Combwich. This will allow large loads to be delivered by sea. For the latest information, please visit the Frequently Asked Questions on the Hinkley Point C website

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# **Thank You**

