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Riverside Embankment Walkway

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Dear Resident,

I am writing to provide an update regarding the ongoing works to the Riverside Embankment Walkway.

I am pleased to inform you that we have now completed the slope stabilisation works with the last piling completed week beginning 5 February. You will notice the large crane on Tyne Street used to do the piling works has been dismantled and removed from site. There is an ongoing need to site an excavator on Liddell Street to distribute stone to fill the lower section of the embankment, until an estimated date of late May 2024. At this point, we expect the road will re-open to single-lane traffic.

The road will reopen over Easter weekend to support hospitality businesses on the Fish Quay. It will reopen to single-lane traffic controlled by two-way lights on Thursday 28 March and return to a full road closure on the morning of Tuesday 2 April. On Easter Sunday, 31 March, the North Tyneside 10k route will run along the Fish Quay and there will be a rolling road closure in place during the event.

I would like to thank you for your continued patience and understanding and apologise to those residents who have been impacted by these works.

Upon completion of the earth walls to the lower embankment in late May, access for the distribution of materials and stone will be via Tyne Street, for the works to the upper embankment.

Below is an outline of activity expected on site in the next four weeks:

 Continued earthworks comprising reduced-level (below ground level) excavation, the removal of bulk excavation (soil and rock) via both Tyne Street and Liddell Street using the long reach excavator with wagons working in relay.

- Pre-loading and distribution of stone fill to the lower embankment for the earth walls via a long reach excavator located on Liddell Street.
- Installation of the drainage attenuation tank to the lower section of the embankment.
- Start of the earth wall construction to the lower embankment.

The delivery of stone fill for the embankment will involve between 10 and 15 deliveries per day. The road will be kept clean by jet-washing delivery vehicles before they leave the site. We are not expecting any noise in excess of normal site traffic levels. We will continue to monitor noise during this period.

Drop-in Session

All are welcome at a drop-in information session hosted by North Tyneside Council and our construction partners Willmott Dixon, to provide progress updates and answer questions.

Where: Tyne View Room at the Maritime Chambers (Registry Office building),

Howard Street, NE30 1LZ

When: Monday 18 March 4pm - 6pm

If anyone cannot make this session we will be hosting more in future.

Residents won't miss out on any key updates as we will be writing to you by post with progress reports on a monthly basis going forward.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at AmbitionNS@northtyneside.gov.uk, call us on (0191) 643 4830, or write to us at the address listed at the top of this letter. We endeavour to respond to all queries as quickly as possible.

We produce regular e-newsletters to report on progress of the Ambition for North Shields and Fish Quay projects. If you would like to subscribe, please email AmbitionNS@northtyneside.gov.uk and put 'Subscribe' in the subject line.

For more information, please visit www.northtyneside.gov.uk and search 'North Shields Embankment Walkway' or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/AmbitionNS

Yours faithfully,

John Sparkes

<u>Director of Regeneration and Economic Development</u>

<u>About the North Shields Embankment Walkway:</u>

The walkway will feature green open spaces with different route options to suit every need, including step-free routes and steps with handrails, as well as a direct route from top to bottom via steps.

The scheme has been designed with environmental sustainability and safety at its heart and will become an attraction in its own right, with benefits for health and wellbeing.

About Wilmott Dixon:

Willmott Dixon is a privately-owned contracting and interior fit-out group. Founded in 1852, we are dedicated to leaving a positive legacy in our communities and environment and in 2018, were one of only six companies to receive a Queen's Award for Enterprise in the promoting opportunity though social mobility category.

We create value for customers, stakeholders and communities by working in a sustainable and responsible way to shape the built environment and make a positive impact to society's well-being.

The scope and scale of what we do reaches all areas of society, with over 90% of the population never more than a mile from a Willmott Dixon project.

Considerate Constructors Scheme:

Willmott Dixon are a founding Partner of the Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS), participating in the scheme since its establishment in 1997. The scheme has influenced the way we design our strategy of work, accounting for our successful CCS scores on site. All Willmott Dixon sites are registered with the CCS and, as a partner working to the higher code of conduct, we are committed to the highest standards of work.

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