

Whittlesey Washes

September 2014

South Barrier Bank works

Environment Agency Surgeries

Come along to find out about the progress of the project at our surgeries 10am – 12pm held at:

Whittlesey Library with

Cambridgeshire County Council Highways

1 October 2014

Whittlesey Town Council – Grosvenor House

15 October 2014, 29 October 2014

Rings End to Poplar House Farm

All of the material has now been delivered and you will have noticed a significant reduction in lorry movements to this work area. 97% of all the material has now been placed with 80% trimmed and ready for top-soiling - of which 50% is complete. We are using the original topsoil that we stripped at the start of the works. From this, the bank is naturally self-seeding itself and we will be enhancing the grass coverage with a conventional grass seeding method, using a tractor and seed box.



Top soiling Rings End to Poplar House Farm

The temporary bridge, which was installed over the counter drain at the Goosetree access, will be removed in October when all of the bank work is complete. The access at Rings End will be used for the

finishing touches and we will keep all movements to a minimum.

Rings End car park

The Anglers car park at Rings End will remain closed until the works are complete in December 2014. Alternative car parking has been provided in the Oriental Gardens Chinese restaurant car park.

Footpath Rings End to Poplar House Farm

The public footpath –Nene Way - will remain diverted between Rings End and Poplar House Farm until the summer 2015 to allow the grass enough time to establish.

Poplar House Farm to Bassenhally

The public footpath has been diverted to the bottom of the bank on the northern side of the bank, which is clearly marked out by fencing. Please Take care when walking along the diversion and keep dogs on a lead for your pet's safety and for the safety of the construction site staff.

Work is progressing at two locations: between Bassenhally and St Peter's Farm and between St Peter's Farm and Poplar House Farm. This involves stripping topsoil, material deliveries and placement.



Material deliveries at St Peter's Farm

Deliveries will be a split 50/50 between the two delivery routes: Old Showground access and St Peter's Farm access. Please see map below. Deliveries will be made between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday until November 2014.

Fellow professional site visit

On 3 September the site team hosted a visit by 20 members of the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) and the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE). We gave a presentation about the project's background, design principles, challenges and construction stages at our contractor's Interserve Construction Ltd's site office. This was followed by a tour of the works area where our visitors had the opportunity to view the various stages of earthworks and ask questions. We received positive feedback from the visitors who enjoyed the event and learned many interesting facts about the locality, as well as technical matters.

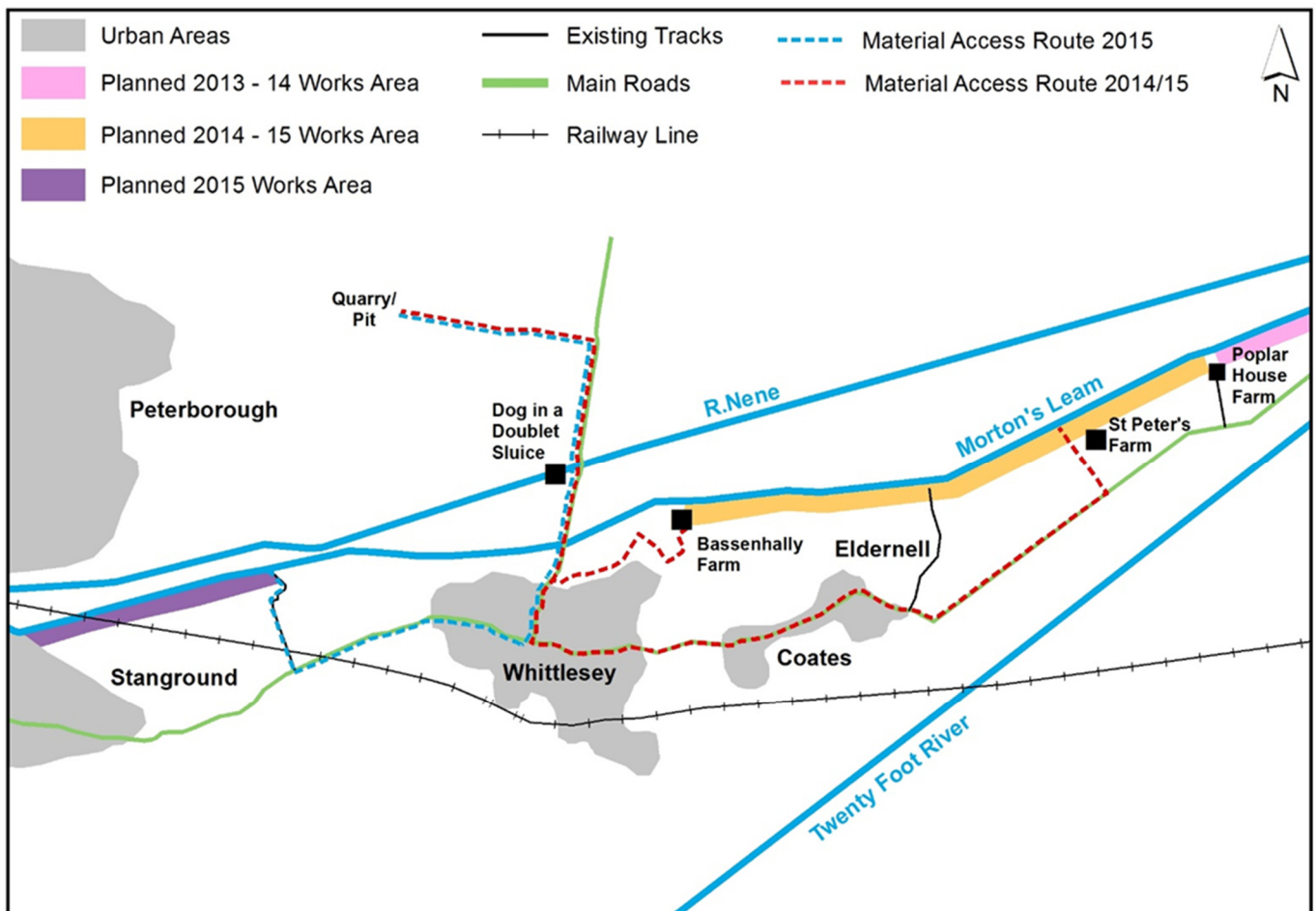


ICE/CIWEM Members site visit

Our Public Liaison Officer

Monica Stonham is available to deal with any questions you may have about the project.

Please contact Monica on 07577 470803 or email her at WhittleseyWashesProjectEA@gmail.com



Working in partnership

- North Level District Internal Drainage Board
- Whittlesey Consortium of Internal Drainage Boards
- Middle Level Commissioners
- Fenland District Council
- Peterborough City Council
- Cambridgeshire County Council
- Natural England
- RSPB.