

# Blackamoor Lane Remediation Project

Issue 15



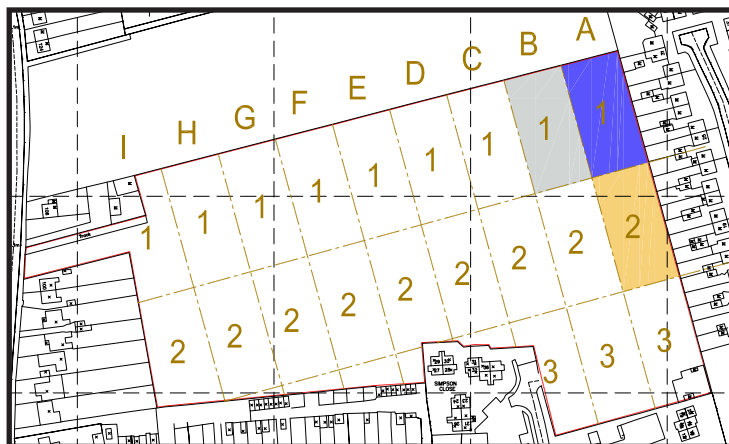
Welcome to issue 15 of the project Newsletter. We hope that residents find the Newsletter valuable and informative now that the main excavation and infilling works are gathering pace.

## excavation & infilling works

Following the weather related delays highlighted in the last issue, we are pleased to say progress has been much better over the last month.


Now the extreme weather conditions have moderated somewhat, we have (at the time of writing) removed all contaminated material from Grid Cell A1 and RSK have validated the majority of this cell, meaning all results have passed the clean up criteria set by the Environment Agency.

The photograph below shows the excavation at the base of Grid Cell A1.



Key:

 Cell completed

 Remediation in progress

 Backfilling

 Next grid

Backfilling within Grid Cell A1 has also commenced and residents may have seen lorries unloading fill material to a temporary centrally located stockpile as of 11<sup>th</sup> February. When in use, the stockpile will be regularly wetted down to minimise the occurrence of dust and when not in use it will be sealed by using the dust buster.

This fill material will then be transported across the site to grid Cell A1 and then compressed in layers using the compaction plant. As we fill the site we will ensure the material is wetted down to reduce the potential for dust. The excavation of contaminated material will continue in Grid Cell A2 and we estimate this will take less time than A1, given that the depth of waste is slightly less in this area of the site.

We will continue to keep residents informed of progress as the excavation continues and if any residents require further information then please do not hesitate to visit us at the Information Centre.

## residents monitoring group

We were pleased to welcome members of the Council's monitoring group to site on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

The Group were shown around the site by representatives of McArdle and RSK. We hope the visit was informative for those who attended.

For those members of the group who could not attend, we are planning on running a second session in the coming weeks, further details of which will follow in due course.

## monitoring

We have recently received a number of calls regarding odour emanating from the site and we have been addressing these in conjunction with the Council and its onsite Environmental Protection Officer.

A number of these calls concerned odours occurring late in the day after the site had closed, and noticeably when the atomiser, which is designed to capture odours in the air, had been turned off.

We have now bolstered our procedures to deal with odour, with two additional atomisers now on site making a total of three running during working hours. Two of these units have been configured to run off electric motors and are now working through the night to mitigate any odour that may occur (the third atomiser runs off a diesel engine and we are unable to run this at night because of noise).

Residents should be assured we are continuing to monitor this situation very closely in

conjunction with the Council and we will report further on this situation in the next issue.

If any resident is concerned about odour they should contact us or visit the Information Centre.



*New atomiser*

## information centre & drop box

The information centre and drop box (to receive residents written comments) are both located immediately to the right hand side of the main site entrance on Blackamoor Lane. The Information Centre is open 2-4pm on Mondays and 9-11am on Saturdays. Our experts will be on hand to answer any queries that local residents may have.

**24 hour helpline: 0845 2584164; RBWM: 01628 683800**