

Arundel Tidal Walls Scheme - Phase 2

Newsletter 3 - May 2023

The Environment Agency are planning work in Arundel in 2023. This work is essential and will provide protection to the town from flooding and erosion.

Newsletters will be publicly available on the scheme website and emailed out to our distribution list. If you would like to receive our newsletter please contact us to provide your email address. We will also aim to provide paper copies through Arundel Town Council noticeboards and public events.

When will this work be happening?

As stated in our previous newsletter we have had to push back the start of work to give us time to undertake the necessary investigations and other preparatory work. This is now complete and we have more confidence in when we will be able to commence construction in the town.

An outline programme is included below but it must be noted that construction work of this nature is highly complex and there are many factors which may result in changes.

We are appointing a project liaison officer who will be tasked with communicating any changes to the programme with as much notice as possible through conversations with residents, the project website, email mailing list and notices on the town council website.

Outline programme

- We expect to be on site from the 31st of July.
- The first phase of work will involve setting up the site compounds (in Mill Road and River Road, see map) and laying protective surfaces on vulnerable roads.
- In the second half of August we will be moving the working platforms into the river from the River Road compound.

- Piling work will commence in the first week of September and continue through into the middle of October.

- The following stages of work will stabilise the new steel sheet pile wall and complete finishing details. The major construction work is due to be completed by the end of April with reinstatement and finishing details being completed by the end of May 2024.

What will be the impact on the Town?

We have been working with West Sussex County Council and Arun District Council to ensure that our planned work does not clash with other events in the town and that all affected parties are informed.

On the following page there is a map showing the layout of construction sites in the town, and the routes between them. There will be some road closures which may disrupt traffic at times. These closures will be temporary and we will endeavour to ensure that they are timed to avoid peak times and key events.

What will be the impact in the river?

A jack-up barge will be brought into the town and placed into the river towards the end of August. This is the same barge that was used before in Phase 1. Because of the unstable nature of the existing wall the barge will be placed further out into the river than in the previous phase of works. In addition, the river is narrower in the new work area.

We expect that there will be disruption to river traffic. We are working with the Littlehampton Harbour Master and are also keen to work with river users to understand the impact this may

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have. If you would like to discuss any concerns please contact us using the details below.

Contact us

We are keen to hear your views going forward; your feedback will help us plan our work to minimise impacts on the town.

We have a new website for Phase 2 of this scheme. We will be using the website to communicate more regular updates on project progress, both before the scheme commences and during construction. We will also use it to provide up to date contact details and collect feedback.

Website

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/solent-and-south-downs/atws-phase2-info-page>

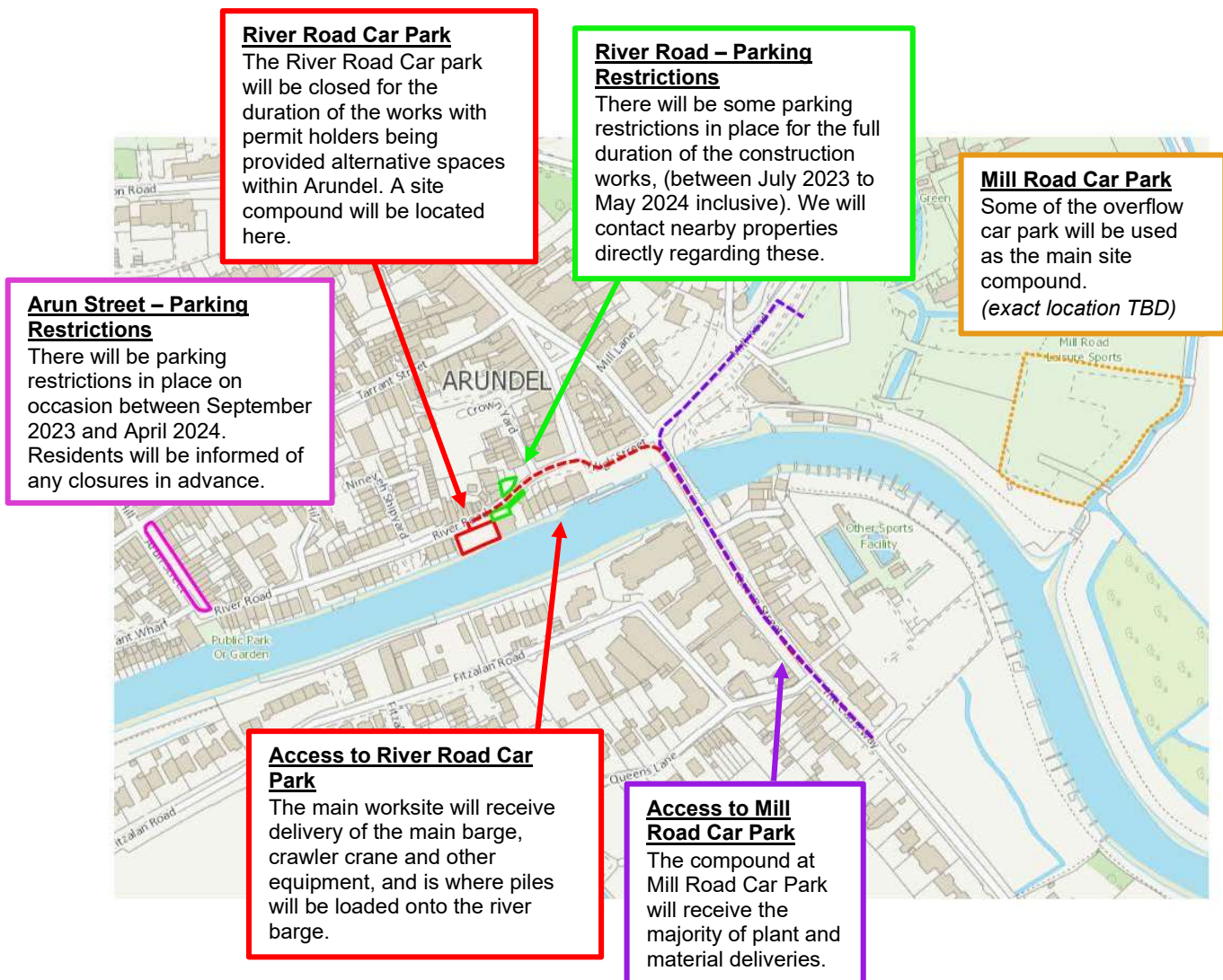
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