

Windy Harbour to Skippool project

August 2020

Welcome to the latest A585 Windy Harbour to Skippool project newsletter, keeping you up-to-date with progress and the latest information.

Archaeological work is continuing along the route. Our most recent finds were located between Garstang Road and Lodge Lane, they included a 3cm long, Neolithic, leaf shaped arrowhead (pictured). The quality shows it was made by someone who was an expert in their craft. We also found a stone arrowhead made from a material called tuff, which is most commonly found in the central part of the Lake District.

The archaeological work will continue until we're confident that everything of interest has been recorded. The history of the local landscape we've unearthed, and the finds, will be used in schools and at other local events. Everyone in the local community will get the opportunity to see what we've discovered. In the longer term the finds will be offered to the Lancashire Museum Service for study and / or display.



Bird watch

Pink Footed Geese are seasonal visitors to the UK. They're currently in their breeding grounds in Iceland, Greenland and the Svalbard Islands, before they begin their southward migration to the UK. We should expect to see the Pink Footed Geese in the area around mid-September to early October.

We've made a new habitat, tailored for their needs, in the fields north of Mains Lane. The shallow wetland is also suitable for other wading birds, such as Curlew and Lapwing – so keep those eyes peeled and get spotting.

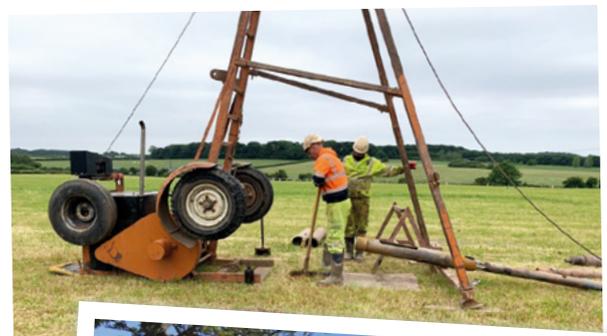


Now and next

The ground investigation work is well underway. From 24 August, for around five weeks, CCTV drainage surveys will take place at various locations, including Skippool junction, Shard Road, and Windy Harbour junction. These surveys help us to understand the types and properties of the ground before we start the main construction work later in the year. For safety, during off-peak hours only, lane closures or temporary traffic lights will be in place.

From mid-August to October, we'll be constructing the entrance to our site compound on Garstang Road East. This will include the installation of two temporary traffic islands at either side of the entrance. A reduced speed limit of 30mph will be in place and access will be maintained at all times. Once the entrance way is complete, work to create the site compound will begin.

We plan to hold some information events later this year. We'll send out further details as soon as they're available.



Sign up for future updates

Future updates will be in the form of an e-newsletter – just one of the ways we're helping to protect the environment on this project. If you haven't already, please sign up to receive them on our project web page at highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a585-windy-harbour-to-skipool.

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