



HAILEY PARK AND DANESCOURT

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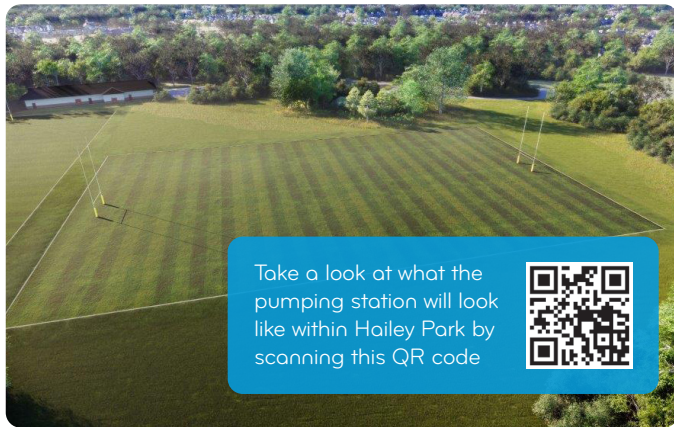
Hello again,

As you may be aware from our previous newsletter, we have a legal obligation to support growth within the community whilst ensuring the services that we provide our existing customers are not impacted.

That's why we have spent a lot of time planning and designing a solution that will ensure the Cardiff wastewater network has the capacity to continue to serve the wider community. This includes building a pumping station in Hailey Park and making improvements to our waste network to ensure the additional wastewater is pumped safely to our Cardiff Wastewater Treatment Works.

Hailey Park

Normally, our network relies on gravity for wastewater to flow from your homes and businesses to our sewers. However, in low-lying areas – like Hailey Park – we need to pump the wastewater up into the network. Planning permission was received to install a pumping station within Hailey Park which will ensure that the additional wastewater can be pumped into the main network and taken to Cardiff Wastewater Treatment Works where it can be treated.



The pumping station will be installed off Ty Mawr Road. We want to assure you that the only assets that will be above ground will be three kiosks which are no more than 2.5 metres high and some small pipes low to the ground. The pumps themselves will be 20 meters below ground with a concrete cover at ground level, so park users will not be able to see them or notice any noise or odour from the area.

There will also be a green fence approximately 2.4 metres high around the site, designed to blend in with the landscaping that surrounds the site. We have been working closely with ecologists to plan and design a comprehensive replanting programme with the aim of boosting biodiversity within the local environment.

What can you expect when work starts?

We will be starting this work on 11th September and as long as everything goes to plan, we should be completed within 18 months. However, some of the replanting may take slightly longer to establish as it will be dependent on the weather conditions at the time.

Our compound will be set up within the area where the pumping station will be built. As well as storing all our machinery and materials for the project, it will include welfare facilities for our contractors while the construction is underway and as such will appear significantly larger than what the completed pumping station will look like once the work is finished.

We have been working closely with Cardiff Council to ensure the park remains a safe place for people to enjoy while we carry out our work. Once built, the pumping station will not impact the provision of the two rugby pitches. However, for public safety there will be some restrictions on the use of one of the pitches during construction.

There will be construction traffic travelling to and from the site on a regular basis. The amount of traffic will vary depending on the construction activities at the time, but we'll do our best to keep disruption to a minimum wherever possible. All construction traffic will be travelling via Ty Mawr Road, Whitchurch Road and Velindre Road.



The first six weeks will be focused on setting up the area so that we can carry out our work safely. This will involve clearing some vegetation and making temporary adjustments to the access gates to ensure park users can continue to access the park safely.

Once our main compound setup is ready, our construction work will begin. Here is an outline of what we need to do and when, but please keep in mind that this could change depending on factors such as the weather.



The reinstatement period consists of activities such as the demobilisation of our site compound and planting trees, shrubs, and wildflower seeding, but how long this will take will depend on the weather conditions at the time to give the vegetation the best opportunity to grow.

Danescourt

As part of the project, we need to cross the Cardiff to Radyr railway line and the river Taff. The most suitable location to do this with the civil engineering techniques required have been identified within the area behind De Braose Close.

We have previously carried out some investigatory work in this area to look at the ground conditions and confirm whether it would be suitable for us to do our work. To do this safely, we constructed a stone track from the end of De Braose Close into the working area. The access track took three weeks to build, so to minimise disruption to both residents and the local environment we have left this track in place in readiness for our work.

We were originally planning to make the access track permanent. However, after consulting with the community we have decided to remove the track and will fully reinstate the area to its original state once our work has been completed. However, should our operational team need to carry out maintenance or access our assets in the event of an incident, then we will follow the necessary procedures in line with Water Industry Act 1991.

We are currently planning to start this work on 14th September and as long as everything goes to plan, we should be completed within 18 months. However, some of the replanting may take longer as it will be dependent on the weather conditions at the time.

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How can I find out more?

We always want to make sure our customers know what we are doing when we are working in their community, and so we will be hosting public information events on the following days:

4th September – 4-7pm
Danescourt Primary School

7th September – 4-7pm
Llandaff North and Gabalfa Hub

If you would like to attend, please email community@dwrcymru.com with your name and preferred time. Registration will close at 5pm the day before the event.

You can also visit our website where we have lots of useful information about our work, as well as frequently asked questions. Just visit dwrcymru.com/danescourt-haileypark or scan the QR code below.

Giving back to the community

We know that our work can sometimes cause disruption in the communities we are working and want to work with the community to help make a positive difference.

We can do this by supporting local community groups with financial funding through either our £10,000 Community Fund or Biodiversity Fund. Local community groups with the aim of improving their local environment, boost health and wellbeing or perhaps supporting local education could benefit from either of these funds.

We would also consider supporting in other ways, such as volunteering. If you're aware of a project taking place that will benefit the community, we would love to see if we could get involved. Please let us know how we can support you and we will do our very best to help, contact us at community@dwrcymru.com

