



OCTOBER 2021 UPDATE

Welcome to our October newsletter. Work on site has now reached the 7-month mark, and we are now starting to see the base of this amazing structure emerge on the land and in the water.

The contact details are provided at the end of the newsletter, so please contact us with any questions or comments.

Site Achievements

- Marine Piling continuing on piers 4 and 5, with the use of a vibration hammer to ensure noise reduction.
- Continued work constructing the new access road- Colin Law Way, including dewatering works.
- Cofferdam being constructed for Pier 4.

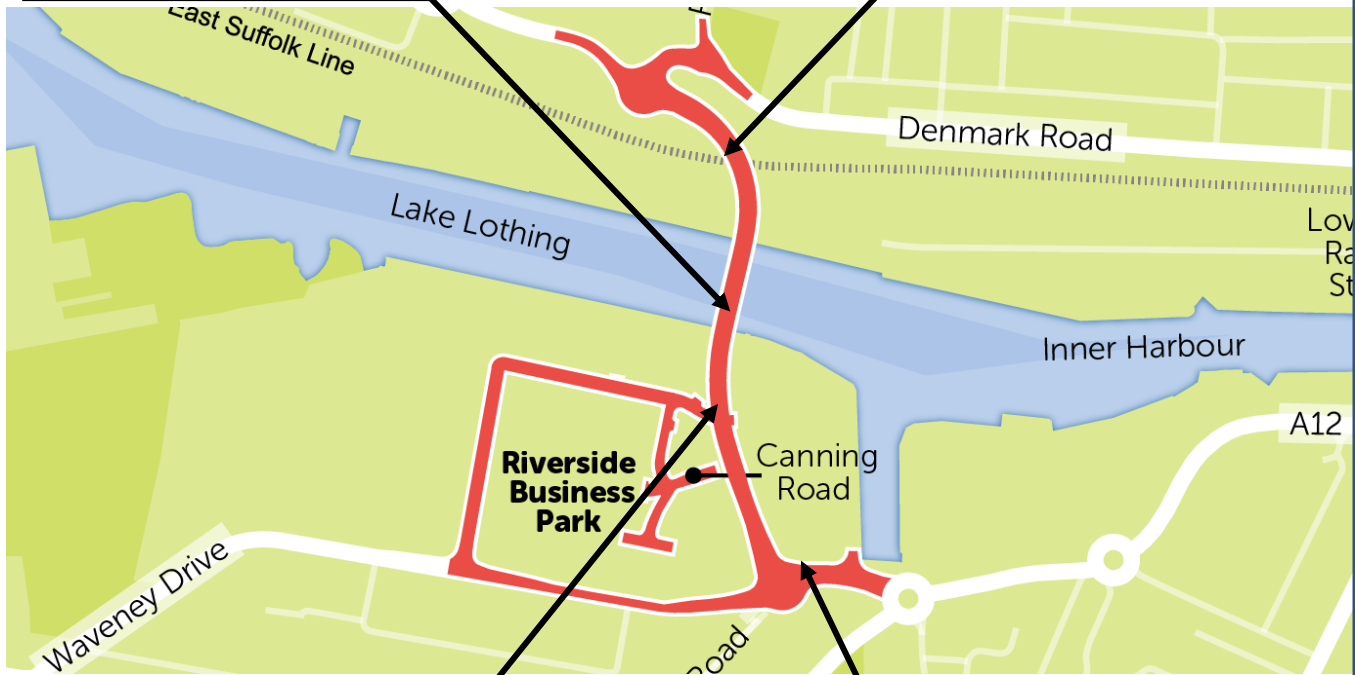
Around The Site



Pier 4 Cofferdam



Pier 7 – Pilecap Excavation



Pier 2 – Pilecap Excavation



Lings Retaining Wall



Pier 3

Pier 4

Eastern Dolphins

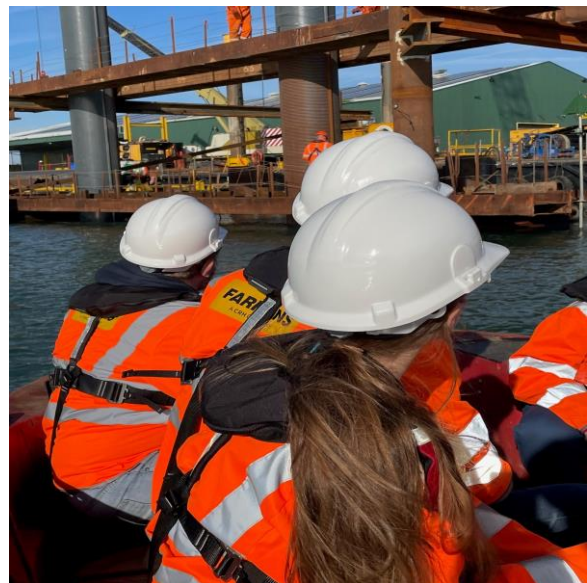
Site Visits Throughout October

During October the project was pleased to welcome a visit from Peter Aldous MP. This was his first visit to the site since construction began.



Another visit, during the October half term, saw two of the three winners of the Bridge Naming competition come to the site. It was good to be able to show them the work we have achieved since they appeared in our start of work video back in April this year. You can watch that video here:

<https://fb.watch/8TH9iZHlwH/>



Meet the Team



Hi my name is Alex, my role is as a Geotechnical Engineer working for Arup (for Suffolk County Council). The role involves quality checking construction activities and making sure the work is done in line with the design specifications, as well as being here to provide assistance to the project to answer any technical queries that arise during the works.

Prior to the construction works, I was also involved in the design of several geotechnical elements of the bridge, including the piles for the bridge piers, the reinforced soil embankments and the ground improvement, as well as being the supervising Arup engineer for the overwater ground investigation.

This will be the first time I'll get to see the construction of something I helped design so I'm super excited to see it come to life! I'm also very lucky I get to see the construction of many different elements of the bridge which will expand my knowledge beyond the world of geotechnics.

Having only experienced life in Lowestoft for a couple of months I can already see a strong need for the bridge.

Meet the Team



Hi, I'm Dawn, Administrator and Receptionist working for Farrans at the Site Office. I am the first point of contact for anyone visiting the office, greeting all staff and visitors on arrival, as well as being a member of the internal admin department.

I started on the project back in June, just in time for the opening of the new offices. This is my first role on a Construction project, having previously worked on a water treatment site for a building and civils team, and Essex & Suffolk Water for many years.

I am excited to be working on the project, as Lowestoft has been awaiting this bridge for many years, especially as I get to watch the construction progress as it happens on site, right in front of me. The bridge will be great for residents, the community and businesses by easing traffic congestion in the town, regenerating the area, bringing new job opportunities to the town and work for local businesses.

Cofferdams

Work is well underway to build the cofferdams in Lake Lothing. A cofferdam is an enclosure built within a body of water to allow the enclosed area to be pumped out. This pumping creates a dry working environment so that the work can be carried out safely. Pictured below shows the work on the southern side of the Lake, allowing for the construction of Pier 4, one of two bridge supports in the water.



Social Values

50 Local Companies on the Supply Chain (Within 70 miles of Site)

£8.8m worth of contracts awarded to the 50 Local Companies on the Supply Chain

7 Graduate Positions Filled

21 Local Groups contacted for Community Engagement & Volunteering Opportunities

8 Talks confirmed/delivered to local Schools and Colleges

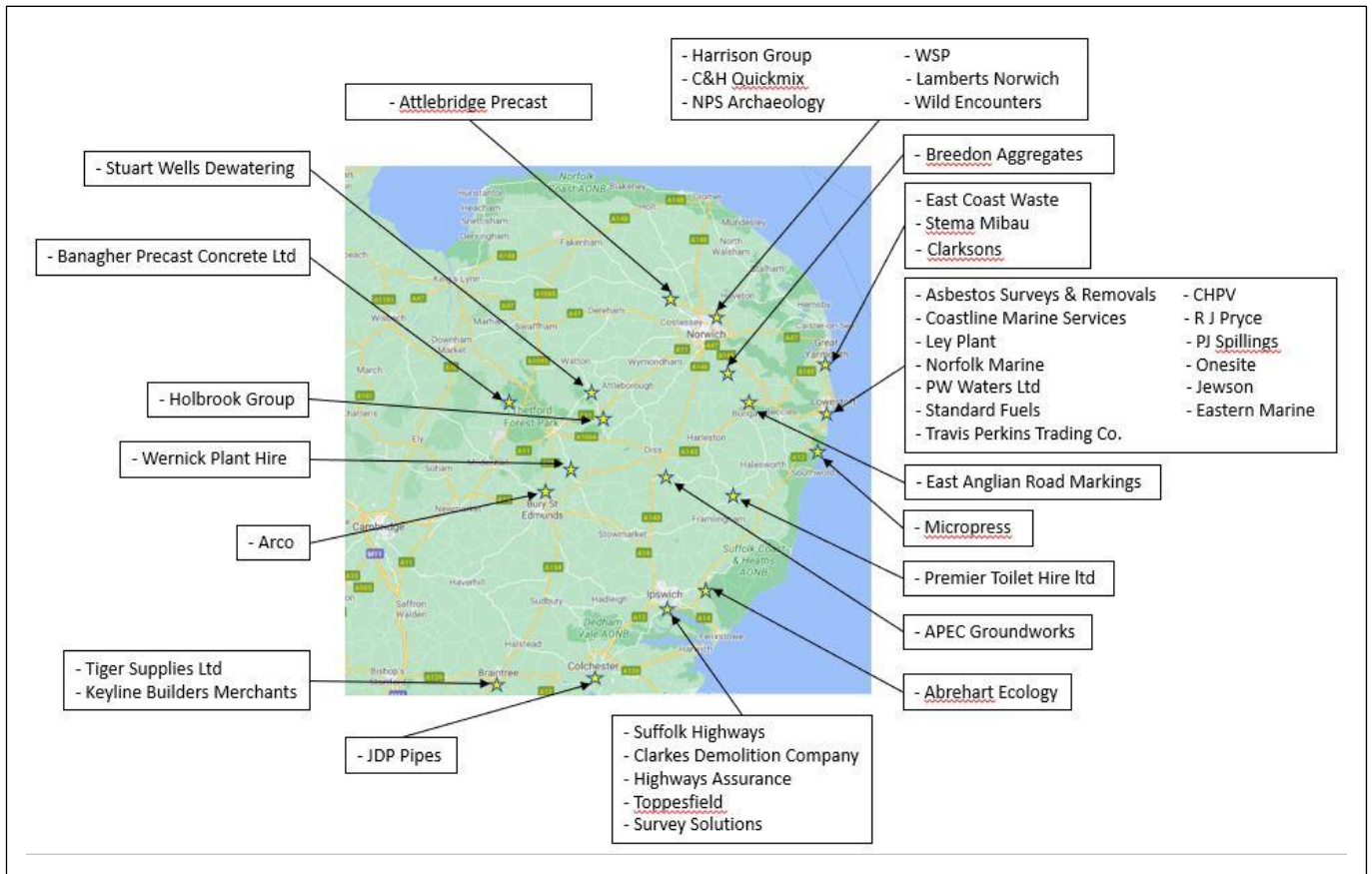
271 Local People worked on the project so far.

£538,125 Spent so far locally on Accommodation and Food

3 Full Time Positions Filled (NEET, LTU, Local Job Seekers & Education Leavers)

Local Supply Chain

A selection of the 50 local companies that are involved in the project:



Further Information and Contacts

For more information on Gull Wing, visit www.gullwingbridge.co.uk
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