



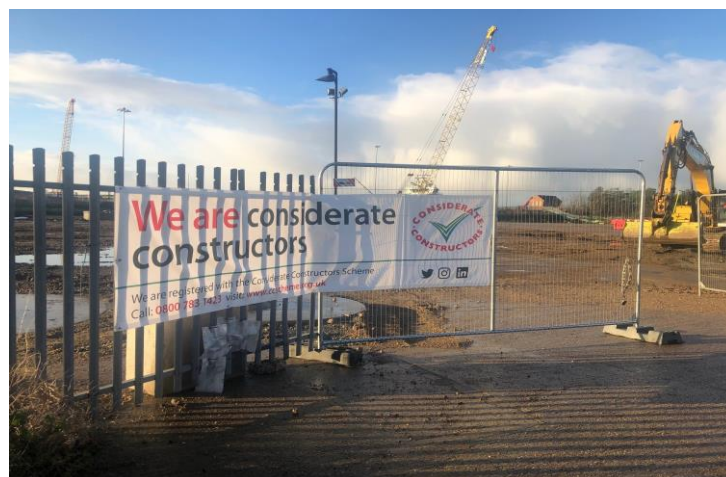
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January 2022 Newsletter

Following the festive break, we began back on site on 4 January. 2022 will see much more visible progress as our work is now coming out of the ground. The year began with everyone being re-inducted on safety practices to ensure good Health and Safety is a priority on site. We also had an “excellent” rating awarded in the recent audit on the Considerate Constructors Scheme.

We achieved a lot in 2021, and 2022 will see much more visible progress as our construction work starts to appear above ground and pre-fabricated steel bridge sections arrive on site.

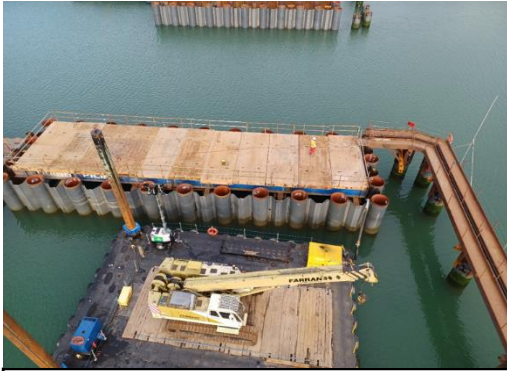
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Farrans had their second Considerate Constructors Scheme audit for Gull Wing in December, where a score of 44/45 was achieved receiving a certificate of excellence. A total of 8 best practice observations were also recorded within the audit report. The Environment and Innovations are areas of potential opportunity to improve whilst also maintaining our previous high standards.

Recent Site Achievements – Around the Site



Pier 4 – Cofferdam & Walkway



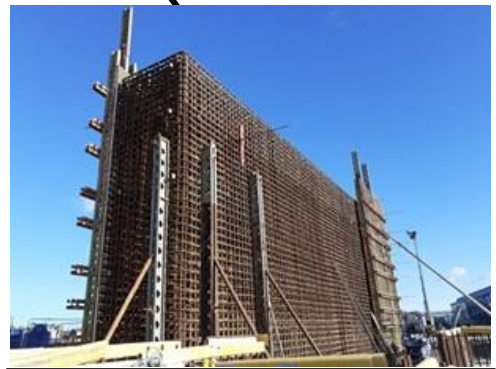
NAV 1 Concrete Pour



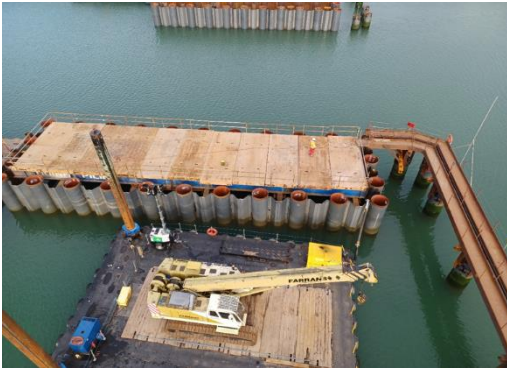
Pier 7 –Pile Cropping



Colin Law Way – King Post



Piers 2 & 3 – Bases Backfilled



Pier 4 – Cofferdam & Walkway

Progress is being made on the Cofferdams in preparation for the start of the Rotary Bored Marine Piling. To enable this a temporary walkway has been created to allow access by foot onto the platform.



NAV1 Concrete Pour

NAV1 (Northern Approach Viaduct span 1) concrete base provides a working area for preparing the structure spanning the railway line. The steel structure itself is due to be brought onto site once the base is ready.



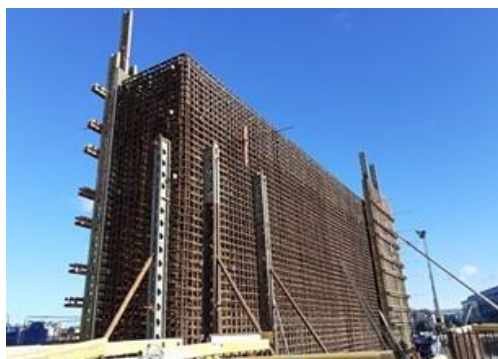
Pier 7 Pile Cropping

The reinforced concrete piles, constructed to give strength to the foundation, are being cropped to the correct level ready for the steel rebar to be installed to strengthen the pier base.



Colin Law Way – King Post

The last of the king post piles have been installed along Waveney Drive as part of the new Colin Law Way access road. The next stage will be to install infill sections between each post to complete the wall.



Piers 2 and 3 – Bases Backfilled.

The pilecaps are complete and both Piers are now emerging, with steel rebar erected and formwork being placed ahead of pouring concrete.

Marine Works Update and Changes to Working Hours



Equipment is moving into place for the next stage of the marine based works. The piling rig will work from the platform on top of the cofferdam piles that have already been installed. We will be installing very deep piles, up to 60m deep, into the lake bed to form the permanent foundations to Pier 4 that will support the bascule section of the bridge.

The marine piling work is permitted to work at weekends from 7am to 7pm. This is rotary bored piling, (not using hammers) so this will minimise any disturbance.

Essex & Suffolk Water – Northern Works



The diversion works on Rotterdam Road and Denmark Road have been completed and the roads have reopened to traffic. We would like to thank everyone for their patience during these closures.

Upcoming Works



- Marine piling for Pier 4
- Cofferdam works for Pier 5
- Concrete pours for Pier 2 and Pier 3
- Arrival of steel bridge decking for NAV1

Social Values Update

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

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

7 Graduate Positions Filled

22 Local Groups contacted for Community Engagement & Volunteering Opportunities

9 Kickstart/Kickstart+ Positions Advertised

271 Local People worked on the project so far.

£605,625 Spent so far locally on Accommodation and Food

42 Local Farrans employees on the Project so far.

Investing in Lowestoft

The Gull Wing project is not just about building a bridge for Lowestoft. We have committed to also invest in people, skills and education for the future. One such commitment is to provide people with experience in work and apprenticeships. We have roles available with the Kickstart programme for young people such as Sophie:



Hi my name is Sophie, and I am a Trainee Document Controller working for Farrans on the Gull Wing Project as part of the Governments' Kickstart scheme aimed at giving young people experience in new roles, with a six-month placement. I hope to stay with the team at Farrans after the scheme has ended and continuing to work on the Gull Wing until its completion.

My role is mainly aimed at gaining experience in the construction field, sitting in on various meetings around the site whilst learning about the processes, different drawings and documentation involved in such a large project. After that I organise and process paperwork, checking any errors, distributing and just generally keeping things in order. This is my first time working in construction and what I find most surprising is just how much planning and work goes into the construction process, most of which the members of the public will not see upon its completion. Such as the various pipes and huge concrete structures hidden underground.

Living in Lowestoft area, and having worked within the local Community, I can see how much the bridge will ease congestion for the town's residents, especially during peak times. It should also make the town centre more accessible and bring the community together more effectively.

Further Information and Contact Details

For more information on Gull Wing, visit www.gullwingbridge.co.uk
You can email the project team at info@gullwingbridge.co.uk or telephone 01502 512779

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