



Liaison Group Meeting with Cossall Parish Council / Awsworth Parish Council / Avant Homes / Borough Councillors – 24th April 2024

Update on Agreed Actions from meeting held last month

- Photos of the state of Newtons Lane at the end of the working week are apparently now being sent to Awsworth Parish Council, but not to Cossall Parish Council, as was agreed at the last meeting. Avant Homes agreed to address this oversight and send these photos to both Awsworth and Cossall each week.
- The A1 landscaping plan was delivered by Avant Homes to Awsworth Parish Council.
- Further information regarding dates for landscaping of the site were not available. We were told that the weather has put landscaping plans back a couple of weeks. Avant say that they are still aiming for June or July for this work.
- A full report of the condition of the canal from the Environment Agency has not been received.

Concerns from Cossall's residents received since last month

- Lorries are still turning the wrong way out of the site and so passing the primary school. Some of these lorries could be explained by the low bridge and the need to avoid this.
- Lorries parking in front of properties on Newtons Lane, rather than using the site or the far end of the road adjacent to the site. The vehicle seen parked partly on the pavement, on the 28th March looks like it belonged to National Grid, who were working in the area and not to the contractors actually on site. There is little work off site left for National Grid to perform, so we hope that this problem will not occur again. It also seems that a driver, who was less than polite to a home owner exiting their property in the area of The Glebe, was also from National Grid.
- Vehicles still arriving before 8am, Avant keep instructing contractors to arrive after 8am and to try to avoid altogether the time pupils are walking to school.
- Concerns about inaccurate information – it is hoped that the public will read the information on the Parish Council websites and continue to report their concerns to the relevant Parish Council.

Actions following this meeting

- The Environment Agency will be contacted again for their report on the water in the canal.
- End of the week photos of the state of Newtons Lane, (timed and dated), to be sent to both Parish Councils
- Times for the landscaping of the site to be confirmed
- Avant Homes to contact Highways about replacing the yellow lines on Newtons Lane
- Avant Homes to continue to put delivery times and routes on their orders to contractors

New access road

We were informed by Avant Homes that their plans for the exit onto Shilo Way, which they have submitted to Highways, will be reviewed in the next week. No dates have been put forward yet for this work. Avant hope for the summer school holidays, which would help keep down traffic holdups, due to this work.

Canal water

This month the canal was walked by Parish Councillors, together with Borough Officers and Councillors, to review the condition of the canal. The Officer from Broxtowe Borough Council is happy that the water from the development site entering the canal is now clean. The silt filtering equipment that Avant have now put into the pipes appears to be doing its job. Fish were sighted and a recent survey has shown that the water voles are still present.

Planning variation request

Avant Homes believe that they are likely to be allowed to have 20 homes occupied prior to the exit road onto Shilo Way being open.

Road wear

Avant will make good road wear on Newtons Lane caused by traffic to the construction site. Questions were asked if this would include Awsworth Lane too. Awsworth Lane had recently been resurfaced prior to work commencing on the Avant site and it is now showing considerable wear.