

## Construction Update October 2023

Jackson Civil Engineering are working on behalf of the Environment Agency. Construction of the fish pass will help to create a healthy watercourse, allowing migratory fish to access spawning grounds upstream, provide better wildlife habitats, and improve the biodiversity of the area.



The fish pass is now over 90% complete, with all major works finished. Minor works remain to fit a final supporting beam to the radial gate, after which the pass can be opened to allow full commissioning.

Landscaping and civilisation works are almost complete, with the final tarmac layer laid on the park road at the end of September. Most of the fencing has also been installed, and is

expected to be completed by the end of October. Surfacing works on the maintenance strip around the fish pass are finished, along with the seeding

of all grass verges now starting to grow through.



The gantry system for removal of the stop logs has been installed, and all instrumentation connected. This will allow the stop logs, modular blocks which are dropped into grooves to create a water tight barrier, to be lifted out or dropped into place to allow inspection and maintenance of the pass. The commissioning and testing period of the pass is anticipated to start in November with final testing to follow, subject to the necessary river levels.

Preparation of the public viewing platform continues. This features an open mesh floor, which will provide visitors with a chance to look directly down into the pass and hopefully spot some of the aquatic visitors.

Information boards are being prepared, which will be mounted on the wooden back wall once the pass is fully open.



## World Mental Health Day



World Mental Health Day (10 Oct) is a day to talk about mental health and show everyone that mental health matters. It's also a day to let people know that it's okay to ask for help, no matter what you're going through.

As the theme of World Mental Health Day highlights, 'mental health is a universal human right'. That's why the Mental Health Foundation, are dedicated to addressing the inequalities in mental health and working towards good mental health for all, not just for some.

This year, over 260,000 people have had a Tea & Talk for World Mental Health Day - raising vital funds for mental health! Every donation supports their life-changing work and brings them closer to a world with good mental health for all.

For more information go to <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/world-mental-health-day>

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