

# Operations at Preston New Road

## Keeping you informed

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As the regulators of the shale gas industry we are committed to keeping local people updated on our work at the Preston New Road site.

### Hydraulic fracturing – recent seismic activity

Cuadrilla restarted operations on site on Tuesday 13 August 2019. There has been a number of seismic events since fracturing resumed. We know that many residents are concerned about this and we wanted to update you on the latest situation.

In accordance with the Oil and Gas Authority's (OGA) strict controls, hydraulic fracturing operations at the Preston New Road site are suspended following the recent seismic activity in the area, including a 2.9ML event at 08:30am on 26 August, which was felt by people in the area.

Operations will remain suspended while the OGA gathers data from this and other recent seismic events. It will then consider carefully whether or not the hydraulic fracturing operations, mitigations and assumptions set out in the operator's Hydraulic Fracture Plan continue to be appropriate to manage the risk of induced seismicity at the Preston New Road site.

For further updates, please refer to:  
<https://www.ogauthority.co.uk>



The Environment Agency is monitoring the situation closely. There is no evidence to suggest that these seismic events have resulted in any environmental harm.

The HSE has reviewed the well monitoring data in the light of recent seismicity and is satisfied that there are currently no well integrity issues at PNR-1z or PNR-2.

**We will issue our next newsletter when we have further updates.**

### Keeping you informed

Please visit our Citizen Space webpage to see the latest information from audits, site inspections and operator reports:  
<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/onshore-oil-and-gas/information-on-cuadrillas-preston-new-road-site>

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