

OUTSTRAYS TO SKEFFLING MANAGED REALIGNMENT SCHEME (OtSMRS) NEWSLETTER

September 2022



A visitor at last year's drop-in examines some of the finds from the archaeological dig

Come to our public drop-in in Welwick Village Hall

Following on from last year's successful 'end of the construction season' drop-in, we are holding another one next month; date and time shown in the box below. This will offer residents and interested groups in the area a chance to find out what's been happening across the site this year and what our plans are for next year. We will also provide information about our proposals for both Winestead and Skeffling pumping stations, our plans for environmental and amenity improvements included in the scheme and report on last year's archaeological investigations. Please join us for this event if you want an update or have any questions you want to raise.

Drop-in at Welwick Village Hall

6th October, from 2.30pm to 6pm

We'll be showing drone footage to give you a flavour of what's been happening on the site this year as well as offering updates on many different aspects of the scheme.

Environment Agency and JBA Bentley staff will also be on hand to answer questions about what's planned for next year.

Update on construction

The dry weather this summer has enabled our contractors to make good progress with constructing the new flood embankment on the eastern side of the scheme. With over 2.5km constructed, more than half of this is now built. We've also carried out further work in West Two to continue the creation of wet grassland habitat with the main site nearing completion. In total almost 700,000 tonnes of earth have been moved on the site to provide the materials for building the new flood embankments. Once completed, these will provide enhanced protection against flooding in the area.



Photo: Trimming and topsoiling of the new flood embankment

Over the next few weeks construction will stop for the winter and our contractors will prepare to leave the site. The site compound for West Two will be removed but the cabins on the east will remain in place, although the site will be secured. Please respect any signs left in place, asking people not to enter areas which have been fenced off. This is for both safety reasons and also to allow the habitat to develop and function as it should.

Contact Us

Environment Agency

For enquiries, you can contact us by email: Welwick.Skeffling@environment-agency.gov.uk

Or by phone on **03708 506506** and ask for Andrew Gee, Project Manager, or Nikky Wilson, Engagement Specialist.

Or, for more information about the scheme, you can visit the scheme's webpage at

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/yorkshire/outstrays-to-skeffling-managed-realignment-scheme/>

JBA Bentley

For enquiries about the work on site, contact Paul Craig, the site manager on **07837 454048**.

You can also contact the JBA Bentley Team on their site mobile number: **07800 508558**.