# **Jackfield Stabilisation Project Newsletter**



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### **Project Update**

Piling is continuing down the hill side, the piling rig is now completing works on the lower pile rows and are now working on Pile Row 1 in front of the Half Moon Pub. Following on from the main piling, revetment works and mini piling will be carried out on the river bank this summer.

Western Power Distribution plan to have a short shutdown of electricity on  $18^{th}$  March to install generators to provide an alternative power supply for about a week to enable piling to progress adjacent to the overhead power lines at the western edge of the site. It is likely that the site will be fully operational over the weekend of the  $21^{st}/22^{nd}$  March to ensure works are completed during the shutdown period. Weekend working will be avoided if at all possible.

During excavation works for the pile mat on Pile Row 1 an historic river side wall was uncovered and is being recorded by the Ironbridge Gorge Museum's Archaeologist. This will be preserved as much as possible.

Tree felling has commenced behind the Church Road Cottages ahead of the revetment works being carried out this spring/ summer.

The works to the footpath behind the Maws Craft Centre are nearing completion, it is proposed to erect fencing and carry out planting and landscaping works in the next few weeks. The works to construct the steps alongside the Maws Craft Centre Ramp are due to commence imminently.

McPhillips have diverted a lot of the construction traffic from the temporary road in an attempt to reduce mud on the road for the public. The road continues to be swept daily and a pedestrian footpath has been created along the temporary road.

### Who's out and about?

McPhillips: Pile corridor and mat construction, ecological mitigation works.

Keller: Main piling.

**TWC & Jacobs:** Supervising the works, monitoring instruments, condition surveys, topographical survey.

M&J Drilling Services: installing additional instrumentation

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## Date for your diary:

18<sup>th</sup> March WPD temporary shutdown of cables over pile rows 1 and 2A.



Photo courtesy of Ironbridge Archaeology

Photo of river side wall from Shropshire Star Archives



### **What Next?**

Mini Piling and Rock Revetment works to river bank. Maws riverbank landscaping. Earth works to slopes.

Telford and Wrekin will be updating our webpage throughout the project. The web address is:

www.telford.gov.uk/jackfieldstabilisationproject

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