

WALLEYS QUARRY

PRESS INFORMATION

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Walleys Quarry Ltd (WQL) are continuing the preparatory works needed in advance of a significant amount of permanent and temporary capping planned to be installed through Quarter 2 (Q2) of 2022. Our plant and equipment will be visible in several areas across the site, as the preparatory works and then the capping installation works are undertaken.

WQL are continuing to infill the eastern flanks of the site to pre-settlement levels. This is an important step in the operational phase of our activities, as it ensures that approved topographical levels are reached and the site develops in line with the overall restoration scheme and other long-term objectives for the facility. It is important that the pre-settlement levels are reached, as this is a requirement ahead of progressive capping and of the site, for both temporary and permanent capping systems.

Our operations in the area of the western flank are coming to a temporary close. This is in line with our Capping and Phasing Plan, agreed with the Environment Agency. The western flank will see temporary clay capping installed, as the area will require infilling to final pre-settlement levels in due course and anticipated towards the end of the main waste operations phase of the landfill.

The importation of clay, required to undertake the temporary capping works has commenced and the volumes of clay imported to site has increased of late. WQL has been able to achieve this position due to the reduction in direct protest activity seen at the site which has previously prevented access and egress for vehicles.

Additionally, the eastern and western flanks have seen the installation of gas wells, further improving, and expanding the gas collection infrastructure installed at WQ.

Ahead of the installation of the permanent capping to the eastern flank, the surface levels continue to be graded and areas of addition fill completed to allow the installation of the cap to commence. Where areas are up to pre-settlement levels WQL has commenced the application of the blinding layer. These materials sit under the LLDPE cap and provide a strong and smooth foundation for its subsequent installation.

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Notes to editors:

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About Walleys Quarry:

Walleys Quarry in Newcastle-Under-Lyme, Staffordshire is a landfill site, offering safe disposal of waste that cannot otherwise be re-used or recycled.