

Dear resident,

This newsletter will be my first of many over the duration of construction here at Oakapple Place. As per previous newsletters that you may have received during phase 1, I will be keeping you informed on forthcoming works and any updates that will have an impact on yourself.

As you'll be aware, Taylor Wimpey formally started work on the 9th May and we will continue to be here until the end of our programme which right now stands at April 2026.

Through the month of May we have been refurbishing our containers and working out of a satellite office. We have since moved into our (semi) permanent office as everything has since been connected and commissioned. Additionally, our ground-worker contractor mobilised the same time as myself.

We have been clearing some of the left over debris from phase 1 whilst making headway off the compound onto the site itself. We're currently stripping the topsoil to the most eastern plots and intend to continue to the northern boundary and so on. Our topsoil stockpile which is taking shape is located to the most south-western boundary and will remain there for the foreseeable.



Grouting mats are being installed to the bottom of the image with top soil stripping occurring at the top.

Through the month of June we are continuing with the topsoil strip and installation of the grouting mats ready for the rig to arrive which we expecting this month. For those who don't know, we are implementing ground stabilisation work which I refer to as "grouting" whereby, we drill into the ground and pump concrete to fill any voids prior to the foundations of the plot being installed.

As we approach the drier the months ahead, my team here will be applying regular dust suppression methods to help mitigate the impact of dust as far as practicable. As with any work in construction there will always be some element of dust. Additionally, I have sound limitation measures in place for site radios here. This is predominately on the boundary from our development and Broomshaw Road. If we have issues with this particular sound, I will take further actions. Regrettably, we cannot alter or isolate the sounds that our machines make. These are a health and safety feature which informs pedestrians or other users of machinery that a particular machine is reversing.

If you have any issues, call me direct on 07469 379115 or email me martin.jacobs@taylorwimpey.com or Cllr Fay Gooch cllrfaygoochbpc@gmail.com. I hope we can work well together and any feedback will be appreciated (even comments on this newsletter, if there is more detail I can share, I am willing). Kind regards,

Martin Jacobs (Site Manager)