

Portsmouth Water Limited  
**Havant Thicket Reservoir  
Strategic Advisory Group**

30 November 2021

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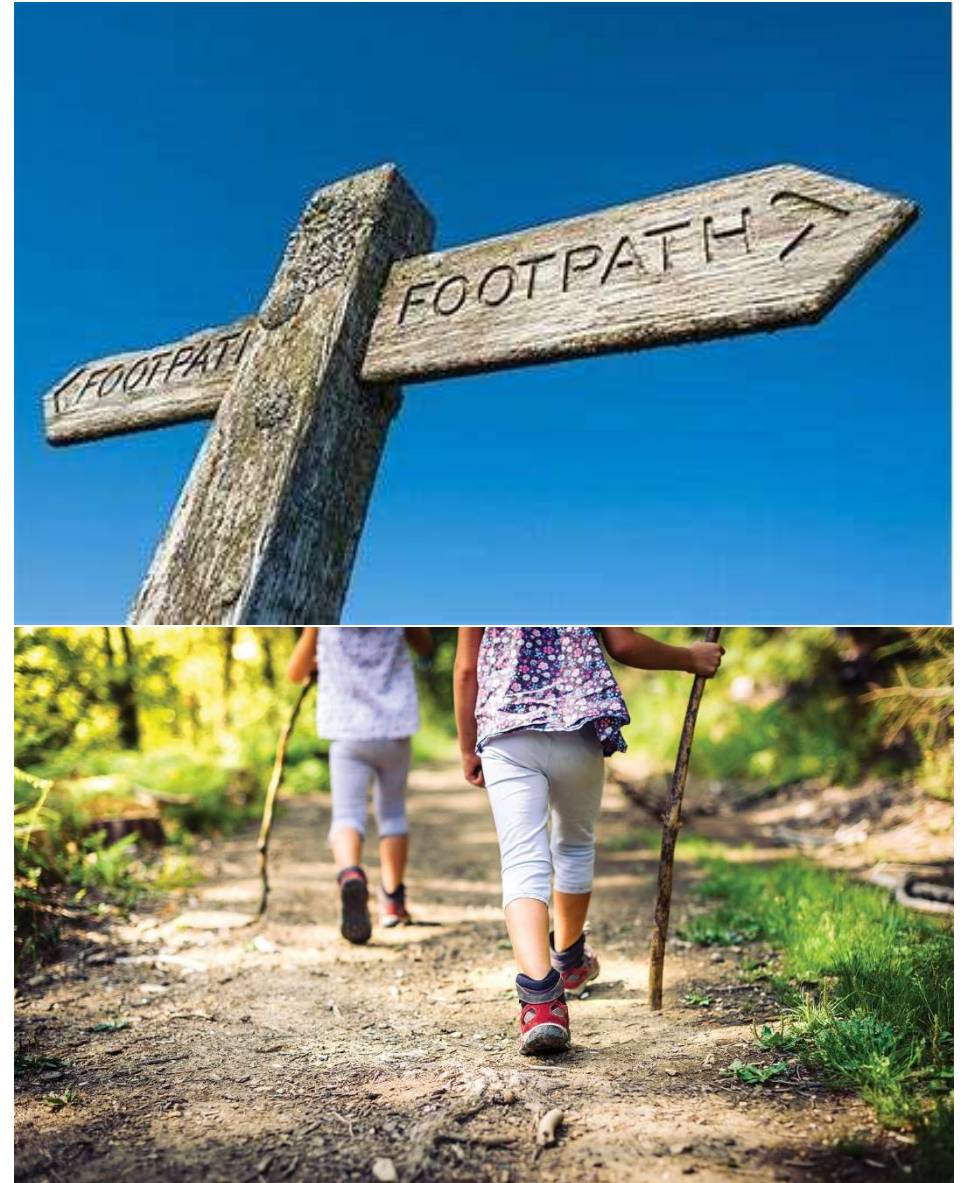
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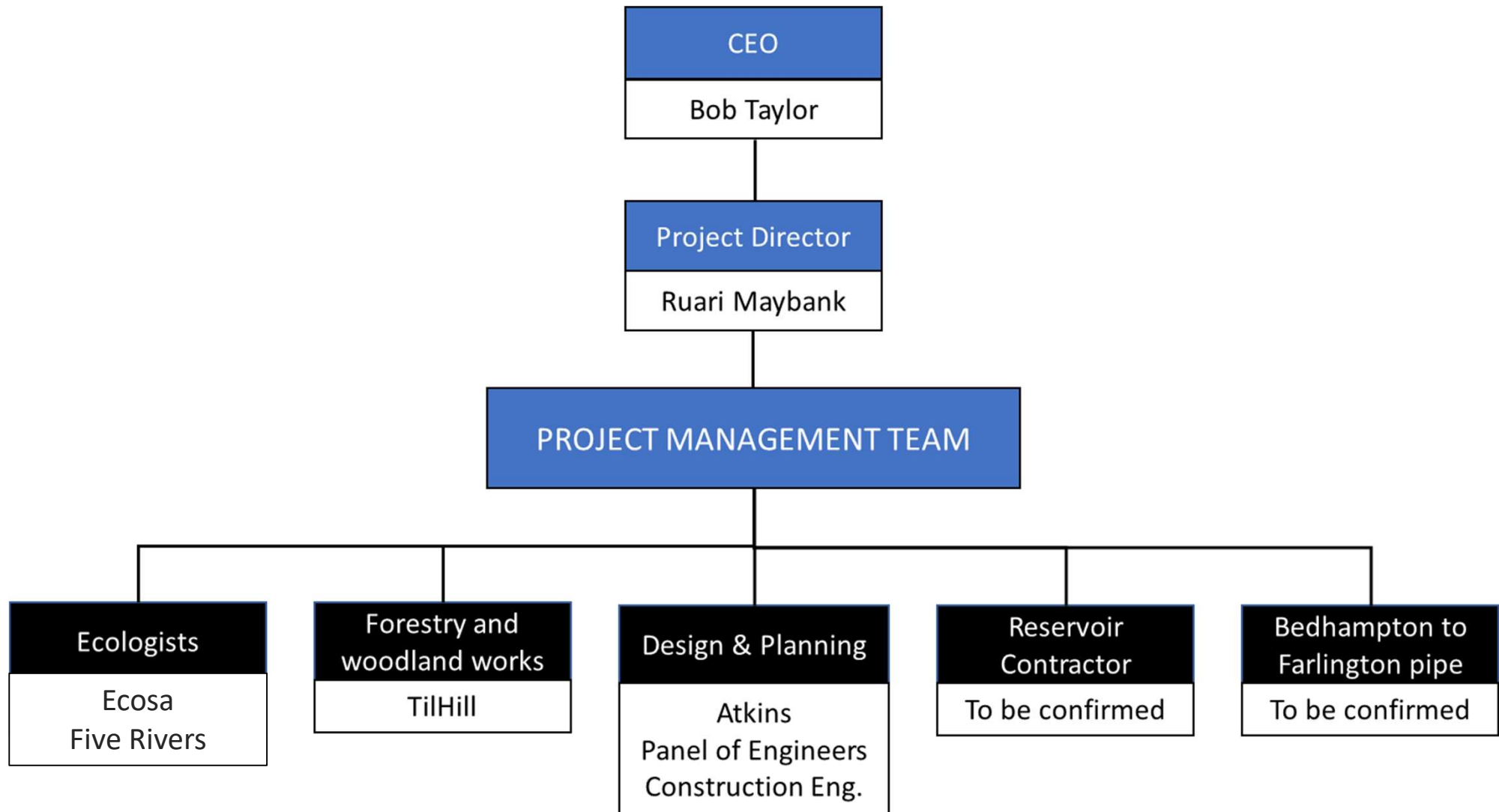
## Site access update

- All footpaths have now reopened on site
- Health and safety of the public and our staff is our top priority
- Signs and fences are in place to keep the public safe on site.





# Havant Thicket Reservoir: Organisation Structure



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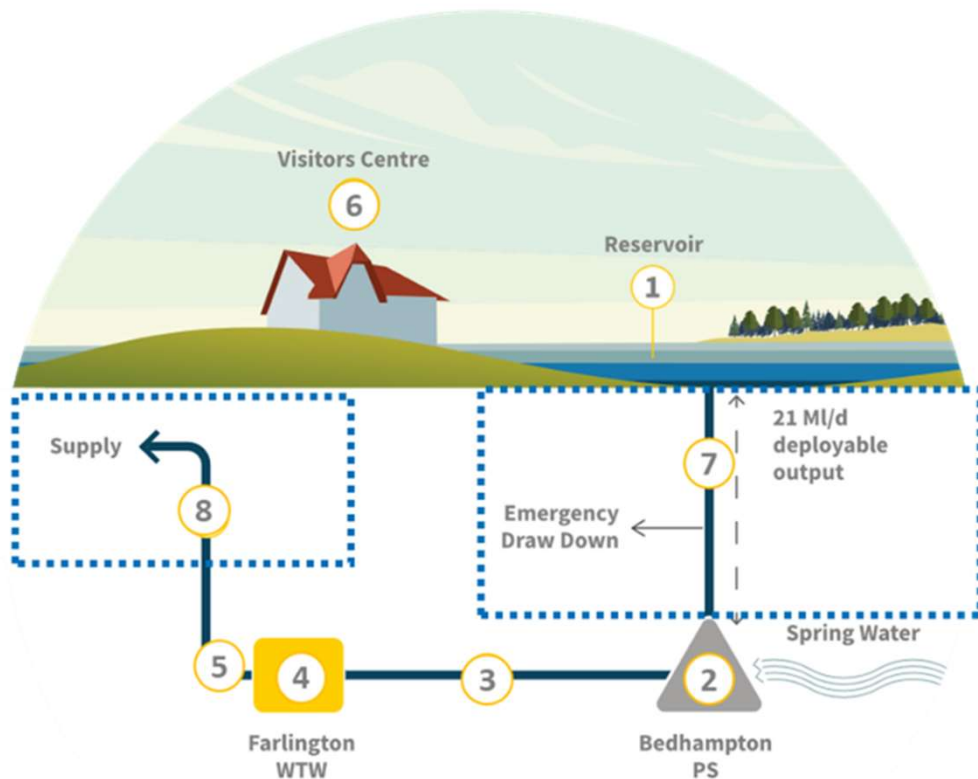
## Planning and consents

- Planning permission granted (Reservoir and pipeline)
- Section 106 agreement signed
- European Protected Species Licence for Bats and Dormice
- Pre-construction Traffic Management Plan (Swanmore Road access and FE haulage track access).



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## Planning and consents



### Section

- ① **Reservoir**
  - 3km embankment
  - 22m high embankment
  - 8700 MI storage
- ② **Bedhampton Pumps**
  - Reconfigure pumps
- ③ **Existing pipeline**
- ④ **Farlington Treatment**
  - 25 MI/d DAF treatment
- ⑤ **Network enhancement**
  - 24 MI/d pumping station
- ⑥ **Visitor Centre**
- ⑦ **Main Pipeline (Bedhampton to HTR)**
  - 3km pipeline

### Planning Strategy

- Full planning permission:  
Outward facing embankment to Staunton Country Park and Northern Access
- Outline: Everything else
- Permitted development
- No permission needed
- Outline planning permission
- Contractor to apply for planning permission
- Outline planning permission.  
Detailed appearance is reserved
- Outline planning permission  
'Red line boundary'

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## What's happened on site?

- Carried out tree inspections to ensure no wildlife was present
- Installed a site compound near Swanmore Road
- Cleared 190 trees from Middle Clearing
- Cleared willow stream hedges
- Work finished in November for environmental reasons.



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## Translocating 80 trees

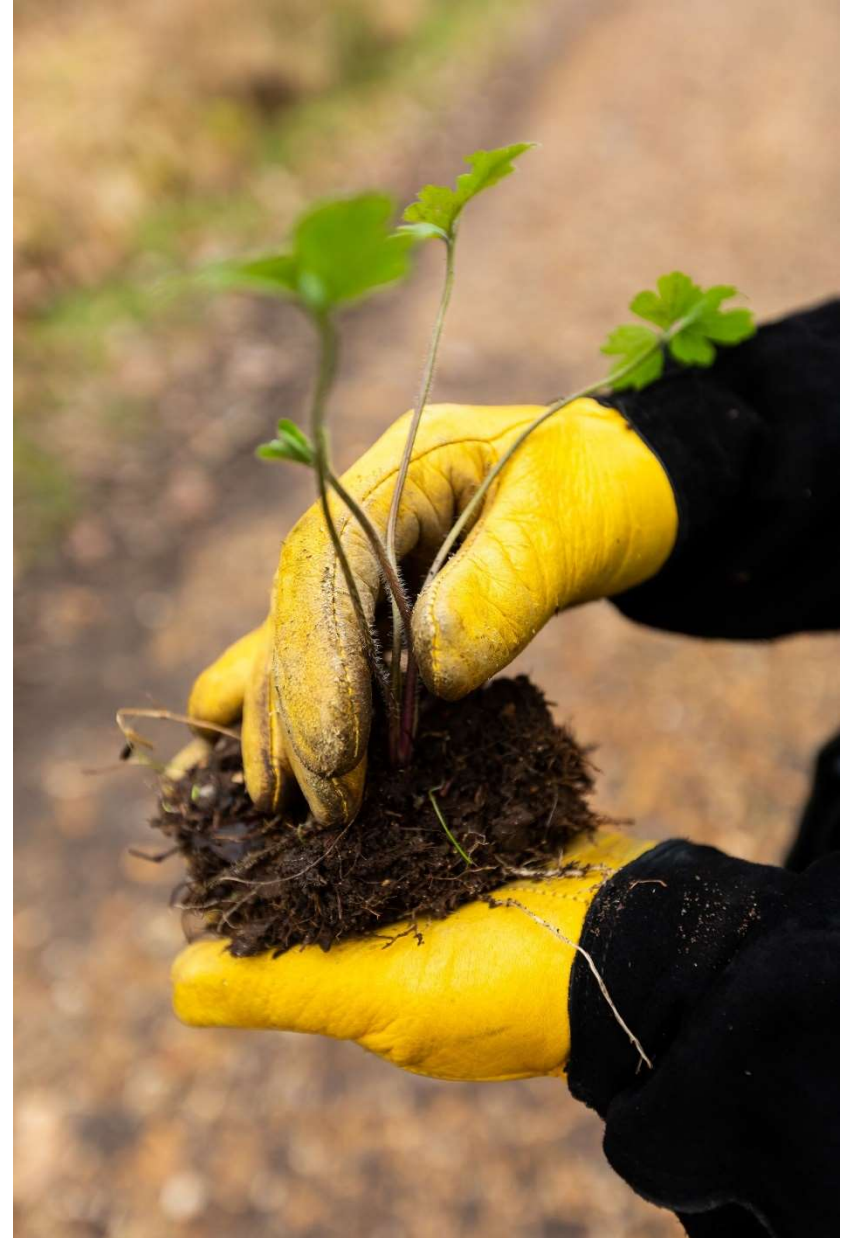
- Worked with local group Stop the Chop to identify 80 trees to translocate
- These will remain in situ to improve in shape and size before replanting locally
- A surplus of trees were marked up to allow for some losses
- It wasn't possible to protect five of the trees
- We are also identifying additional trees to save to replace those five.



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## Upcoming ecological work

- Ongoing maintenance of planted trees at Gipsies Plain and Memory Park
- Environmental mitigation on Forestry England land
- Removing coniferous trees to allow room for more deciduous trees to grow
- This will increase biodiversity in the area
- More light will improve habitats for local wildlife including reptiles.



Link to view new Havant Thicket  
Reservoir environmental video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UNeyS8EsQX8>

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## Planning and consents coming up

- B2149 highway improvements
- Bridleway diversion 121 for southern access
- Temporary bridleway diversion route and specification
- Detailed environmental mitigation and compensation strategy
- Southleigh Forest design plan.



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## Environmental compensation: 80 hectares update

- Two locations are being considered
- One is approximately 2km north-east of Rowlands Castle
- The other is located south-east of Rowlands Castle
- Aim to secure the land in spring 2022
- Environmental impact assessment to be completed before works can begin.



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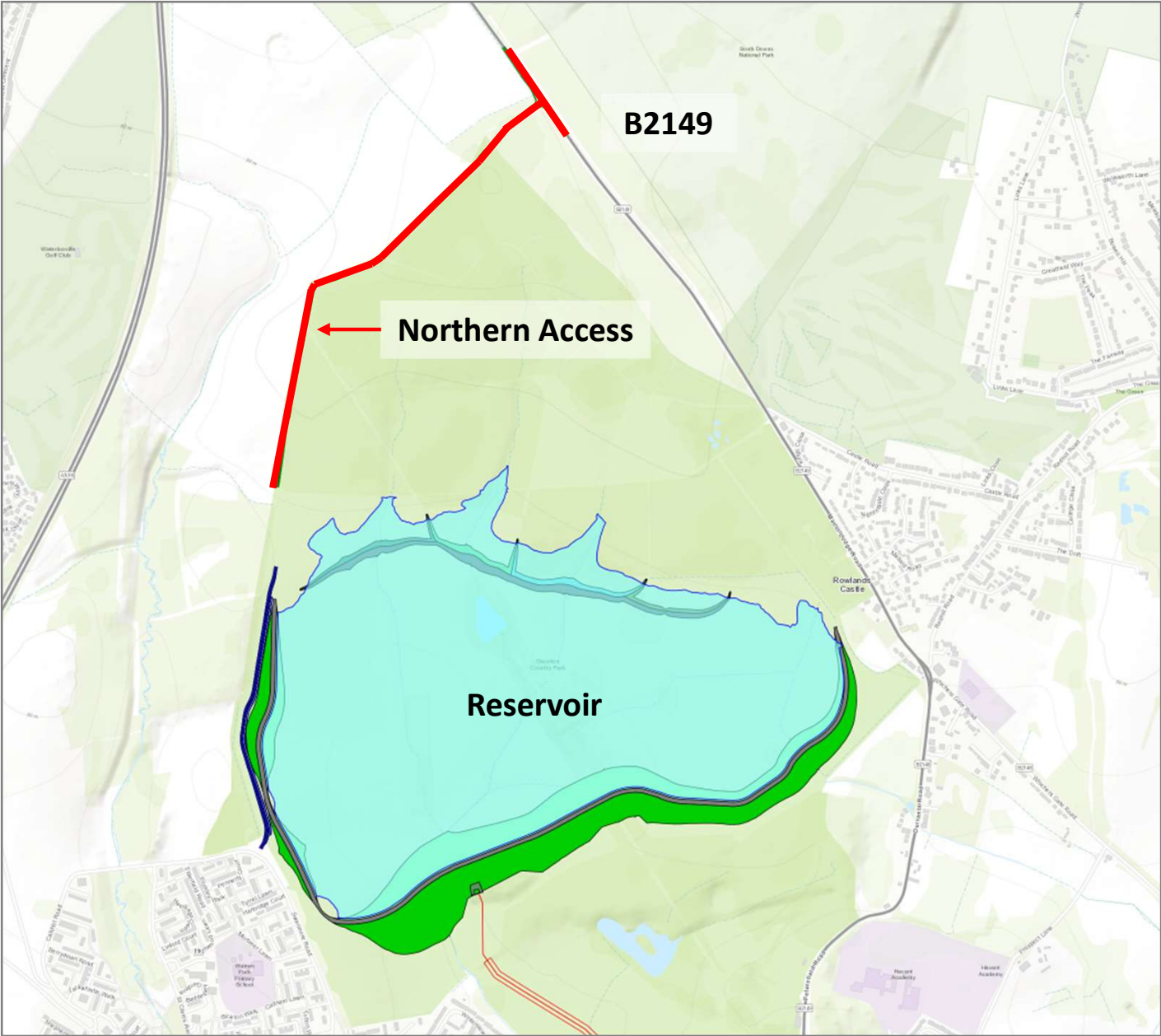
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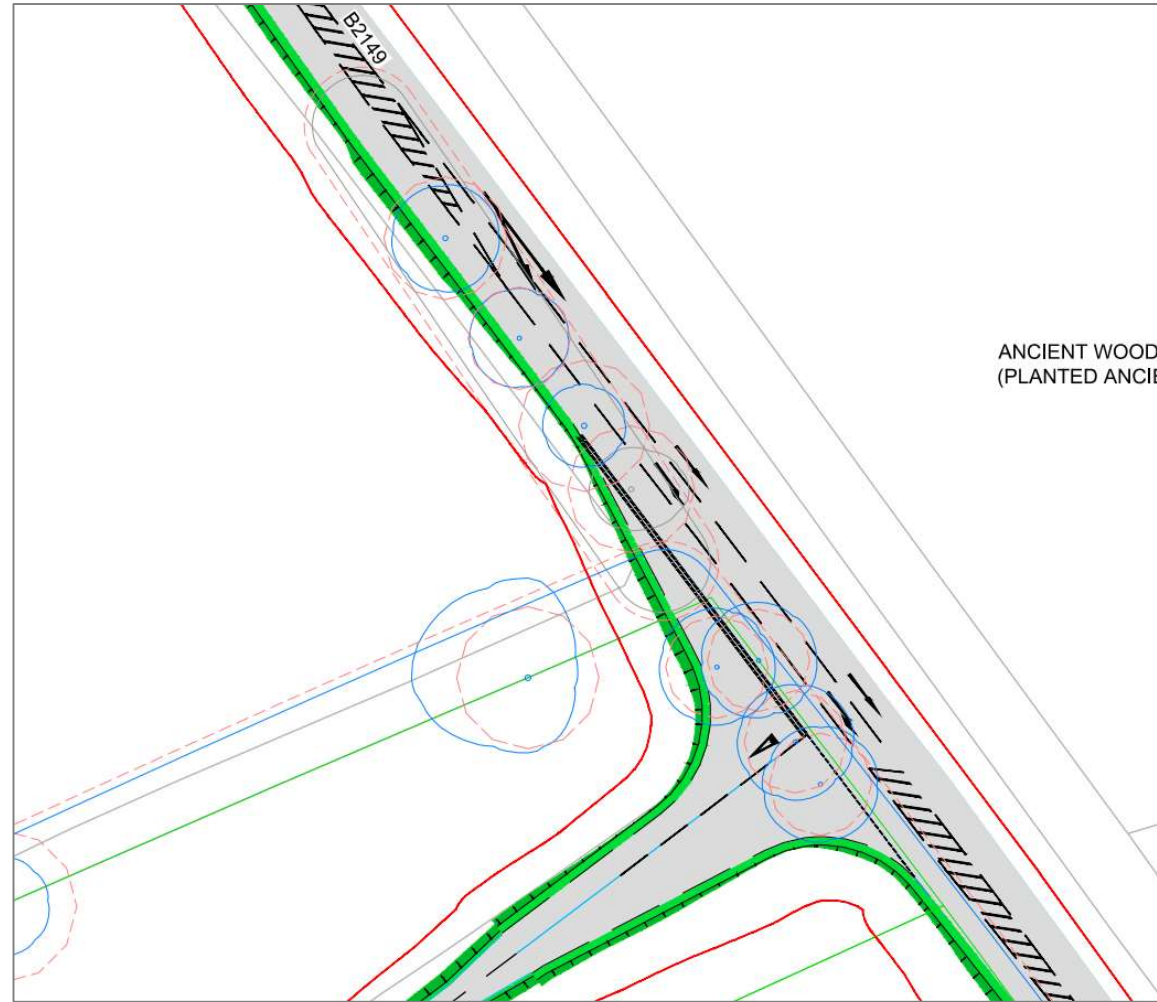
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## Northern access route update

- B2149 Right Turn lane design progressing with Atkins
- Consultation with Highways & planning authorities – Hampshire County Council & HBC / EHDC
- Northern access design progressing with Atkins
- Target for B2149 works - Summer 2022.



B2149 Junction Works: Draft illustration only

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## Engagement timeline



### **November / December 2021:**

- Engagement with Hampshire County Council's Highways Team and ecologists

### **January 2022:**

- Consultation with Forestry England, Hampshire County Council, statutory consultees and stakeholder sub-groups on draft designs

### **February / March 2022:**

Finalise and submit:

- B2149 and northern access designs (Section 278 agreement)
- Reserved matters application for northern access route design (HBC/EHDC)
- Phase 1 planning conditions relevant to the road works (HBC/EHDC).

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## Proposed Subgroups and Subgroup Leaders

### Access - Ron Hammerton

- Construction traffic
- Cars, cyclists, motor bikes, electric scooters, horse riders and walkers

### Local Economy – Andrew Biltcliffe

- Sub-contracts for local firms
- Local apprentices and skill development

### Environment - John Goodspeed

- Environmental mitigation work
- Development of wildlife corridors and the wetland

### Recreation - tbd

- Recreational activities for local people and local youth, supported by voluntary organisations
- Visitors Centre

### Education - Chris Anders and Ella Capaldi

- Involvement of local schools to develop educational opportunities
- Address anti social behaviour
- Safety and security of the site

### Pipeline - tbd

- Community Projects
- Communications during construction.

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