

## Improving the junctions at Deeside Park Newsletter Issue 3 November 2007

### Keeping you informed

#### How we're getting on at Lodge Lane

Steel beams for the new Lodge Lane bridge were successfully lifted into place on Saturday 18th August. To do this we had to close the A5117 from the A540 Parkgate roundabout to the traffic light junction at Shotwick. We took the opportunity to install new drains alongside the A5117, ensuring no water will run into the properties alongside. Although the work caused some disruption and disturbance to local residents, your support has been very positive.

Work is ongoing due to poor weather that affected the availability of material for the embankments. It is now expected that the bridge will be completed and brought into use early in the new year.

#### Woodbank

A lot of work has been done at Woodbank. The work to the bridge is almost finished and we have started surfacing the new link roads. We have completed work to the replacement ponds and new access tracks have been built.

#### M56 end

Earthwork has been carried out with the shallow embankment for the main carriageway and the landscape mounds taking shape. The large excavation to the west of Parkgate Roundabout is where the new A5117 will pass under Parkgate Road. The route for horse riders, cyclists and pedestrians is also taking shape behind the weighbridge.

### What's next

In the next few months you can expect to see quite a few changes, particularly in the areas around Woodbank Junction to A540 Parkgate Road Roundabout

Work on the Woodbank bridge is expected to be completed in the next few months. We will also continue to work on the road surfacing, street lighting and safety barriers. It is expected that traffic will be moved onto the new slip roads early in the new year to enable construction on the main westbound A5117 to be carried out. The remaining earthwork will also be completed.

#### A540 Parkgate Road Roundabout to M56

We will continue with the excavation for the local road between A540 and M56 Dunkirk Roundabout and we will start work on the east bound off-slip road at Parkgate Road. Two more ponds to help with drainage will also be built.

#### M56

In the next few weeks we will be doing a lot of work on the M56 which will result in the eastbound carriageway being reduced to one lane and a temporary contraflow (*see below*) being put in place for westbound traffic. This will allow the new link from the M56 to be tied-in to the existing M56. We thank you for your patience during this work.

## Continuing community commitment

As part of the contractor's community commitment, the local children's football team has been sponsored this season by Carillion, a new kit has been provided for the squad. Although the team has experienced a shaky start to the season, their enthusiasm and commitment are certainly from a winning side!

Presentations to local schools will continue as well as keeping regular contact with the schools already visited, we will be getting their input and views to the scheme's progress.

## Time to talk

Parish council liaison meetings are continuing, with the next one being held on Tuesday, 6th November. If you have any questions or comments you would like your council to put to Carillion, please contact your parish council representative, or the Public Liaison Officer, Mandy Stott, using the contacts numbers and address indicated.

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## Safe driving at roadworks

*Remember that tiredness can kill. Take regular breaks from driving.*



**During 2006 two workers were killed and 19 seriously injured in the course of their work on Highways Agency roads.**

For the safety of all road users and roadworkers, when you are approaching roadworks:

- Keep within the speed limit – it is there for your safety.
- Get into the correct lane in good time – don't keep switching.
- Concentrate on the road ahead, not the roadworks.
- Be alert for works' traffic leaving or entering roadworks.
- Keep a safe distance – there could be queues in front.
- Observe all signs – they are there to help you.