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Proposals for Rectory Farm

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About this document

In June 2025, we held public exhibitions at Cranford Community College in Hounslow, displaying our proposals for the working of Rectory Farm for essential minerals and construction aggregates. This gave an opportunity for local residents and the wider community to learn more about our plans, speak directly with the Brett team, ask questions and share their views. This document outlines the amendments we have made to our plans following these exhibitions.

Dear resident

We would like to update you on our proposals for Rectory Farm in Hounslow. The land at Rectory Farm is allocated in the Hounslow Local Plan as a 'Potential Mineral Extraction Site' and is expected to contribute towards meeting the area's need for construction aggregates (sand and gravel).

When preparing our Planning Application and Environmental Statement, we carefully considered the feedback received from local stakeholders, statutory consultees and the wider community following public exhibitions held in June last year.

Our proposals include the phased restoration of Rectory Farm to grassland and wildflower meadow with designated public access. This will significantly improve the usability and character of the site by delivering community improvements including new permissive public footpaths and cycleways, landscaped sport and leisure park with children's play facilities and wildlife habitat enhancements.

We anticipate submitting our planning application in the next few weeks and wanted to provide you with an update of the proposed scheme in advance.

Key points from our proposal

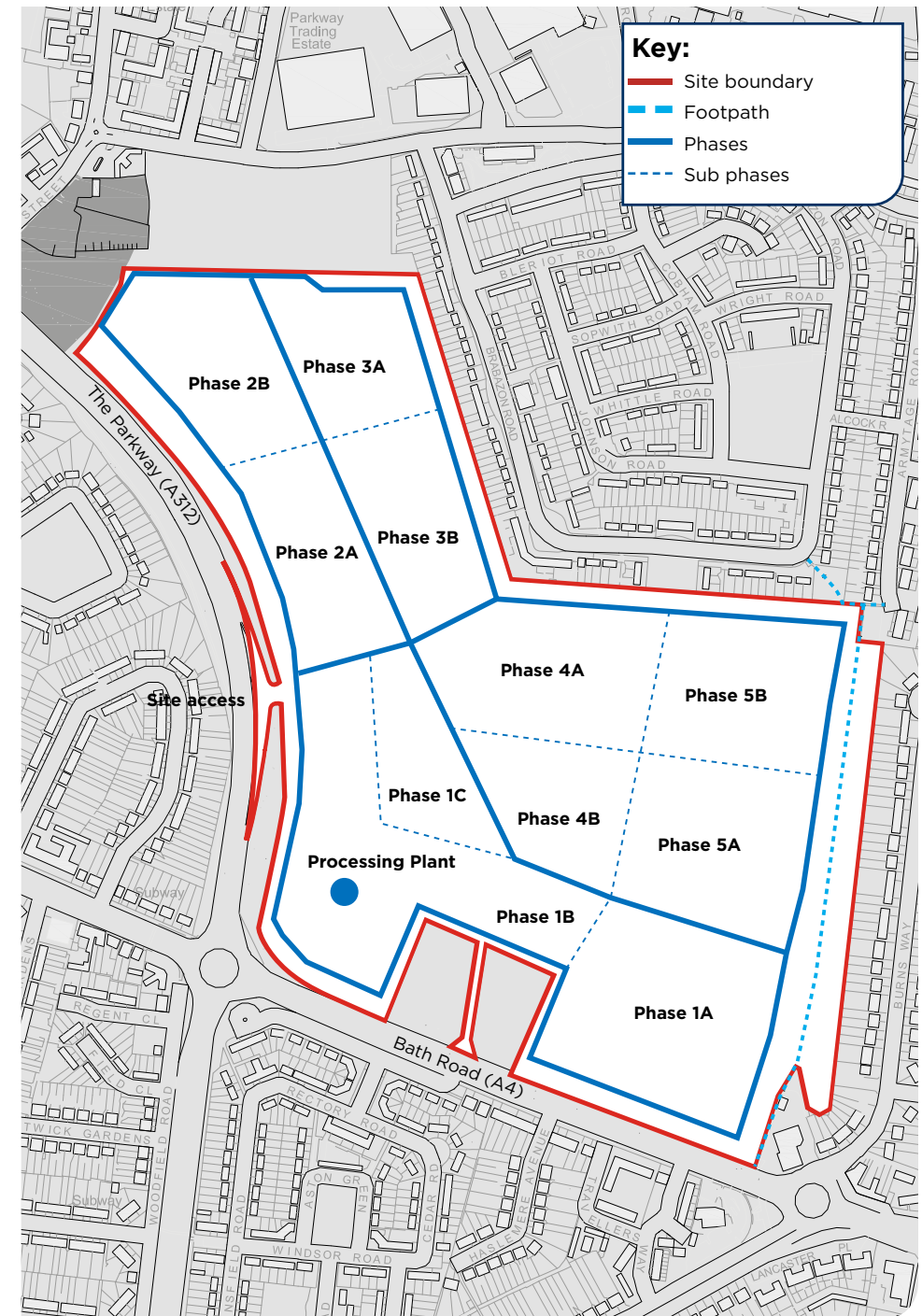
It is anticipated that the work at Rectory Farm will take approximately 10 years to complete with a further 2 years for the completion of the final phase of restoration. Our phasing plan has evolved following public consultation and the detailed environmental surveys completed at the site.

Our operating hours are proposed to be Monday to Friday 07.00 – 18.00 and Saturday 07.00 – 13.00.

A new access is to be constructed onto The Parkway (A312).

A phased approach

Working of the site will be undertaken in phases with only small sections of land being worked at any one time. The order of phasing is shown on the plan opposite. The site will be restored in an ongoing manner as the work progresses using site materials including soils and imported restoration materials. The restoration will support an increase in biodiversity, and provide accessible areas and additional amenity for local people.



What we're doing to minimise impact

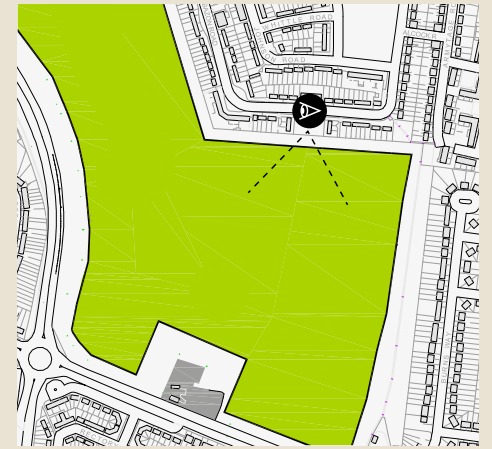
At Brett we work hard to protect our reputation as a good neighbour and have developed best practice operating procedures and approaches to minimise impact on the local community and the surrounding environment.

- Inclusion of a low level processing plant which will be set at a lower level on the site to minimise visible impact.
- Use of screening bunds, acoustic fences and operational best practice to minimise noise impact.
- We would ensure effective maintenance and regular spraying of haul roads and other operational areas.
- All HGVs will have covered loads and will use a wheel wash.
- Regular monitoring to ensure the effectiveness of environmental management measures.
- The vast majority of water that is used for sand and gravel processing will be recirculated and re-used via a dedicated lagoon, thereby minimising water usage.

Screening

Below is an example of how our operations will be visually and acoustically screened while we work on the site, and how after restoration it will be returned to the community.

The view below is taken from the point indicated on the adjacent map.



Current view

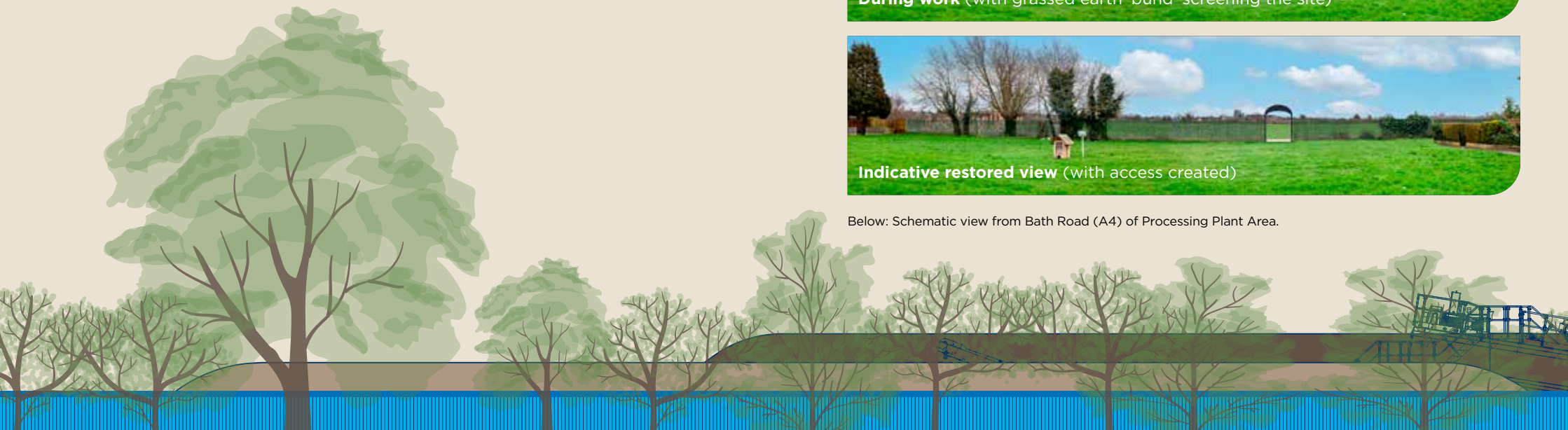


During work (with grassed earth 'bund' screening the site)



Indicative restored view (with access created)

Below: Schematic view from Bath Road (A4) of Processing Plant Area.



The final restoration

We recognise the land has been largely disused and inaccessible for many years. The restoration will see the land transformed to grassland and wildflower meadow with community improvements including new permissive public footpaths and cycleways, landscaped sport and leisure park with children's play facilities and wildlife habitat enhancements.

Our proposal includes:

- The creation of a mix of habitats including scrub with scattered trees, hedgerows, grassland and wildflower meadow, with areas dedicated to public access, nature trails and recreational areas with seating.
- The restoration will benefit multiple species such as invertebrates and bats.
- A restoration scheme that delivers approximately 50% of the site as land that is accessible for local community use with the remainder being set to grassland.
- Long term management of the habitats at the site.
- A new landscaped sport and leisure park which will be situated alongside the Brabazon Road and close to the Brabazon Community Centre.
- Enhancements to improve public access including:
 - Opening up of the existing public footpath on the site's eastern boundary.
 - New permissive footpaths around the perimeter of the site and a central east-west path.
 - New mixed-use path-cycleway between Cranford - Heston and Hounslow West.

Brett has won over 50 awards from local councils and industry bodies for its restoration schemes.



What happens next

It is anticipated that a planning application will be submitted to the London Borough of Hounslow in the next few weeks.

When submitted and validated the full application will be available on the Hounslow Borough Council website on the Planning applications section. The Council Planning Officers will then undertake a formal consultation process involving the local community, nearby residents and other bodies such as the Environment Agency, Historic England, Transport for London and Heathrow Airport Holdings Limited. Should the Council be minded to grant planning permission, it is anticipated that operations could start during 2028.

Should you have any questions regarding the application or wish to discuss the proposals further, please do not hesitate to contact the Brett planning team by e-mailing **planningdepartment@brett.co.uk**, or call **01227 829000** and ask for a representative of the Planning Department.

If you require this information in an alternative format, language, large print, or other accessible format, please contact us and we'll be happy to assist.



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