

Sundon Reservoir Frequently Asked Questions



Will it be noisy or smelly?

No. Local communities will not be able to hear or smell the facility.

Will it be noisy at night time? What are the hours of operation?

No. Local communities will not be able to hear the facility at night.

Why isn't Anglian Water managing the project?

The facility is needed by Affinity Water to provide an alternative water supply to its catchment area. As it is reducing borehole water abstraction from chalk aquifers, it must find alternative sources and this project will enable water to be transported down through Anglian Water's catchment area.

How will this benefit the local community?

We do not believe there will be any adverse impacts on the local community. Without it, we cannot meet our commitments to reduce bore hole water extraction in the Chilterns and conserve chalk streams.

How much public money will be spent on this project?

No public money will be spent on this project.

Will there be environmental damage from new water pipes across the countryside?

No. There is no requirement for any new water pipes outside of the site.

Will you require road access or road closures?

No. There is no requirement to close any public roads. We are considering reducing the maximum speed limit on the road in proximity of the site temporarily while construction of the facility takes place

Who will the impact be on local travel in weekday mornings and evenings?

There should be no impact on local roads at any time.

What will the impact be on public transport routes?

There should be no impact on local public transport.

Will this pollute the atmosphere?

No. There is no risk of any harmful release into the surrounding local environment or the atmosphere.

Will there be tankers to the site delivering chemicals?

Yes. We anticipate one or two deliveries a day to the site.

Are the chemicals delivered toxic or harmful?

Yes, in their concentrated form. Measures will be in place to ensure there will be no danger to local communities or wildlife.

How will you manage road safety at the junction?

We are proposing to widen the existing junction to the Sundon Reservoir site, to ensure road safety.

Will my water be different?

Your supply will not be interrupted. Instead of being supplied from local groundwater sources your water will be coming from a different area. You may notice a slight change in the odour and taste of your water, but it will continue to meet the same high-quality standards set by the DWI

