



Mogden Sewage Treatment Works: 2013 updates



30 August 2013 - OCU shutdown

We will be carrying out a planned shutdown of the odour control unit for the new inlet and primary settlement tanks on Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September, for around six hours each day, to replace faulty valves inside.

Without the fans running the majority of the air should stay contained within these covered processes, however, we apologise for any odour noticed as a result of this essential work.

28 June 2013 - Drain down of primary tank

A fault has occurred on the sludge valve on one of our circular Primary Settlement Tanks, this means that we cannot remove any sludge from the tank.

We are currently draining down the tank to carry out a swift repair. We would like to apologise for any odour that residents may notice today, as a result of this essential work.

12 June 2013 - OCU shutdown

We will be carrying out a planned shutdown of both fans on the odour control unit for the new inlet and primary settlement tanks tomorrow morning, for around six hours, to replace a fan cowl.

Without the fans running the majority of the air should stay contained within these covered processes, however, we apologise for any odour noticed as a result of this essential work.

9 May 2013 - Mogden Upgrade update

We are pleased to confirm that Mogden's £140 million upgrade is now complete and the extension is up and running.

On behalf of the team, I'd like to say a big thank you for your patience and understanding throughout this important project.

This has boosted the site's sewage treatment capacity by 50 per cent, which in turn will help to significantly improve water quality in the River Thames.

The project team are set to remain at Mogden until the end of June to carry out the necessary fine tuning of the new works. This is just to ensure it runs seamlessly with the existing site and to make any final tweaks.

You will notice that the embankment is nearly at its final shape. Unfortunately the past few months of wet weather has affected progress at the northern end of the mound, and this has meant a few temporary piles of soil have remained near the mature oak trees. Now the weather is looking better, we can finish off this work over the next few weeks.

We have been able to start seeding the embankment, and also plan to complete this by the end of the month. We will be introducing a variety of herb-rich grasses and native wildflowers such as daisies and red campion which will improve the look of the area as we enter the summer.

Overall, we have now planted all of the hedgerows on the embankment and a third of the trees and shrubs. This, again, has had to be delayed because of the weather. The remaining trees and shrubs will be introduced in November's planting season to give them the best chance to get established.



28 January 2013 - Mogden Upgrade update

Mogden's £140 million three-year construction project is drawing to a close

At the end of March, we will have increased the site's treatment capacity by 50 per cent so it can cope better during heavy rain. In the run up to this, the project team will continue working hard to switch on each part of the new works – a meticulous and complex operation which began in the autumn.

Over the next few months we also plan to complete the landscaping of the embankment. Although recent adverse weather conditions have affected progress, the shaping of the embankment is almost complete, with the north-west corner of this area following closely behind.

Weather-permitting, we plan to start planting the embankment next month, working from the south to the north of this area. We will be introducing a selection of young native species. This includes trees such as English oak, Scots pine, birch and hornbeam, shrubs such as holly, hazel, blackthorn and hawthorn, and herb-rich grassland – encouraging biodiversity and wildlife.

After March, a reduced number of the project team will remain on site for a short period to get the new part of the works ready to hand over to the day-to-day operations team. During this time we will carry out a number of checks and minor activities, including paving new footpaths, re-surfacing roads, and finishing off any remaining landscaping work that may be delayed by the weather.

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience throughout this project – we really do appreciate it.