

New Eastern Villages Southern Connector Road, Swindon



Client	Swindon Borough Council
Date	Aug & Oct 2018
Programme	Two separate visits
Value	£112K
Role	Principal Contractor
Works undertaken	Dynamic sampling & rotary drilling, Trial pitting, CPTs, DCPs, CBRs, laboratory testing, engineers' logs, factual report
Geology	Alluvial channels over Ampthill, Kimmeridge & Gault Clays.
Deliverables	Factual report & AGS data

The Contract

A ground investigation was required to provide data for design of a 4.5km long connector road to provide access for a major residential development east of Swindon. Additional investigation requirements included de-vegetation works, provision of acoustic barriers, and ecological supervision.



The Challenge

The site had several challenges including gaining access into arable fields which were situated on a flood plain, and the potential for significant archaeological remains. Vegetation clearance supervised by an ecologist was required to access some locations.



The Solution

The works were carried out, in part, within traffic management, including during night-time shifts. Significant liaison with various landowners was required and a detailed programme ahead of the intrusive investigation was prepared to minimise disruption to landowners.





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