

DIO Wattisham

Single Living Accommodation

Neighbours Letter



Dear Neighbour,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce ESS and ISG who have been appointed by the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) to demolish an existing building and construct a new four storey single living accommodation block to house personnel at Wattisham Flying Station.

What & Why

Building 314 is a single living accommodation 168-bedroom building which has been closed since 2018 due to fire issues and noncompliance. Funding has been secured to demolish and rebuild the current accommodation block which will provide Wattisham soldiers with 168 ensuite bedrooms which are safe and compliant with current building and fire regulations. Modern method of construction (MMC) are being used to reduce disruption of these works, as such the accommodation block is to be constructed as a modular build in a factory away from site. This will reduce the site deliveries, number of operatives onsite and duration of the project. The artist impression of the new building has been shown on the front page.

Dates

We have been carrying our various survey works over the last few months and we are now at a stage where our site presence will increase and start enabling works to facilitate the demolition and following construction work. Please find the below proposed dates:

- *On-site enabling works and site diversion – Late September & October.*
- *Main Compound Set Up starts – 9th October.*
- *Demolition – Mid November.*
- *Groundworks – March 2024.*
- *Modular Install – May 2024*
- *Finishing & Commission Works – Mid June*
- *Completion – January 2025*

Please also note that sometime our planned works change, if this is the case we will look to up-date you as required.

Site Compound

Due to a number of additional major projects currently underway in Wattisham, areas for contractors to set up construction sites is extremely limited. The site compound for this project therefore will be external to camp in order to provide the contractor enough space in close proximity to Building 314 from which to operate safely and effectively.

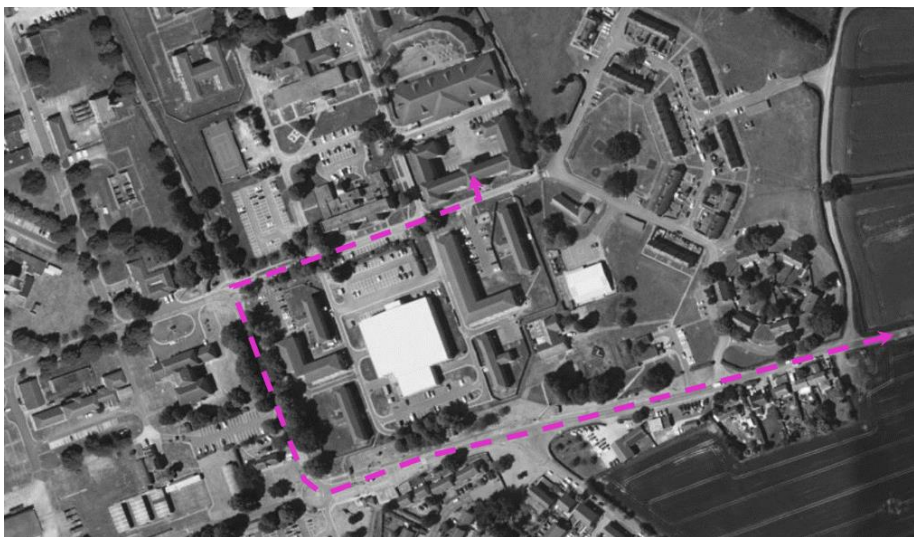
Please find the below images showing the location of the compound.



We understand that the location of the construction works, and associated site compound is in relative close proximity to the residents adjacent to building 314. With this in mind we are working closely with the DIO and our Sub-Contractors to minimise disruption this as much as possible.

Site Access

In order facilitate the demolition and construction works we have the below traffic routes agreed and in place.



To minimise disruption all major deliveries and collections which can be taken directly to building 314 will be directed through Wattisham Flying Stations main access gate.

This will also include all articulated vehicles.



*Any deliveries and collections that require direct access to our site compound will follow the route through to **Beech Circus, Holly Rd and then Valley Rd** where they turn into site.*

Due to the nature of the roads in this area these delivery vehicles will not be articulated and therefore smaller in size.

All site deliveries have been requested to be conducted at quieter times of the day and to avoid key pedestrian and traffic movements.

Q&A Session

We understand that you may have some questions regarding these works so we would welcome you to join us:

**Q&A Session on Thursday 28th September at the Community Centre
between 12:30 and 13:30**

Site Contacts

Please see below details of our site management team who you can contact should you have any questions or queries with regards to the works being carried out on Building 314 at Wattisham Flying Station:

Ian Lewis – Visiting Project Manager – Ian.Lewis2@isgltd.com

Andrew Gray – On-Site Project Manager – Andrew.Gray@isgltd.com

We thank you in advance for your patience during these works.

Kind Regards

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