

Barhale Tees Off for Drilling Success in Scarborough



1st April 2019 - An intricate and proactive stakeholder engagement programme, coupled with careful pre-planning and ecological sensitivity, has seen leading independent infrastructure specialist Barhale connect a foul water sewer pipe to a new housing development that, when finished, will have around 600 properties.

The 14-month, £1.4 million project, in collaboration with Yorkshire Water and drawing upon specialist Ken Rodney, has involved laying over 1.3km of pipe under a golf course, over a river, across Duchy of Lancaster land and down a residential street leading to a popular tourist attraction on the north edge of Scarborough, North Yorkshire.

“This has been a challenging, but ultimately successful project for the team,” says Barhale Project Manager Nick Smith. “Community engagement was paramount with a large number of stakeholders including local residents, the golf course, a major holiday attraction and the Environment Agency.

“Detailed pre-planning with the local golf club, highways authority and the Environment Agency meant that our sites were strategically situated to minimise the impact. By agreeing work times with the golf club, members looking to play were not impacted. Elsewhere, we made sure that work we carried out in a wooded area was outside of the nesting season.”

Across the 1,370m of pipe laid by Barhale, 620m that runs under Northcliffe Golf Club and the adjacent Duchy of Lancaster Land involved directional drilling, while the rest was auger bored, ensuring that Scalby Mills Road, where the Scarborough Sea Life sanctuary is situated, remained open.

Elsewhere, Barhale liaised with the Environment Agency over tree removals to make space for abutments for a steel fabricated pipe bridge over the Scalby Beck River which was designed and built by BCS Group, a subsidiary of Barhale.

Barhale has successfully worked on a number of framework projects for Yorkshire Water, delivering all the company’s third-party development schemes in AMP6.

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