

# Saxongate Residents Group News Update.

Previous Update on this subject 04<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Disclaimer: The Saxon, Forterra and McCain's, industrial sites all come under the FDC Whittlesey South Ward, which I represent, as such I have a duty to keep all residents within the ward and others that may be affected fully informed of any developments or news.



## SAXONGATE

**Saxon Pit – Eastern Buttress: new planning application. 12 days left to comment (deadline Wednesday 24 June)**

Cambridgeshire County Council is consulting on a new planning application for Saxon Pit (ref CCC/26/058/VAR). The operator is asking for more time to finish the restoration of the Eastern Buttress, with a new completion date of 1 August 2027. The original 2003 permission allowed seven years; this is the sixth request for an extension. Importation of waste fill material has now stopped.

Saxongate Residents Group has submitted an objection. We are not against the restoration being finished. Residents have been waiting for these works to be completed for many years. Our objection is that the application asks for another year on the basis of assertion rather than evidence, after every previous completion date has been missed.

We have asked the Council to secure the following before deciding:

- A proper explanation of why the last programme failed and why this one is different
- Consultation with Environmental Health, public health bodies and the Environment Agency on the actual complaint and monitoring record
- A Health Impact Assessment, in line with the Council's own January 2026 Public Health report
- Modern protective conditions, including a community liaison group and the noise and dust measures Fenland's Environmental Health Officer asked for in 2025, which were never answered
- Clarity on what drainage (ponds, reedbeds) has actually been built and when the rest will be delivered
- A milestone-based completion programme, independently checked, so slippage shows up early
- Confirmation of the Middle Level Commissioners consent position for the lagoon discharge

**To have your say:** comments must reach the Council by 24 June. Search "CCC/26/058/VAR" at : <https://planning.cambridgeshire.gov.uk>

or email [planningdc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:planningdc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk), including your name and postal address, as anonymous comments will not be taken into account. If these works affect you, this is the opportunity to say so.

**The usual small print and a help request: -**

We will never give your data to third parties and will only email you relevant information about Saxongate. If you wish to be removed from the mailing list just reply to, stop or remove to this email.

We also need to grow our membership so please do pass on our details. People can contact us on this email or via Facebook if they wish to join :- <https://www.facebook.com/SaxonGatePE7> or email [saxongate2022@gmail.com](mailto:saxongate2022@gmail.com)

If you have any photos or videos or logs of issues (from your homes, gardens, roads or public land) please let us know and share them with us.

If you suffer any noise, smells or dust please continue to report it to the Environment Agency 24/7 on 0800 80 70 60.

They also run an engagement HQ page for the area - [Whittlesey Quarry \(Saxon Pit\) | Engage Environment Agency](#)

You can also email [envhealth@fenland.gov.uk](mailto:envhealth@fenland.gov.uk) or call 01354 654321. **This can be the best route for long term issues.**

See = <https://www.fenland.gov.uk/nuisance> for noise, smoke, smell, dust or light problems - Fenland District Council.

