



Latest news from the Northgate project team

November 2020

## Countdown to Clockwise on 16<sup>th</sup> November

**Final preparations are now in place to commence the Clockwise plan for the inner ring road on 16<sup>th</sup> November for approximately 12 months, in order to allow for essential infrastructure works to install a new rainwater drainage tunnel through Chester from the Northgate site.**

A comprehensive communications plan has been running to ensure residents and businesses are aware of the plans, you may have seen the roadside signage, the bus adverts or heard the radio announcements. In fact, the Clockwise video is now the most watched film on the Council's YouTube channel.

In response to a number of enquiries, we have developed a set of FAQs explaining the changes and some of the finer details around how Nuns Rd. and Castle Drive, for example will be impacted. See [www.clockwisechester.com](http://www.clockwisechester.com) for more or email us at: [northgate\\_int@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:northgate_int@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)



In advance of the main clockwise plan, prior enabling works will take place overnight on Friday 13, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>. This work will require the road to be closed in both directions along Vicar's Lane and Pepper St. from 7pm to 6am on Friday and Saturday, and from 10pm to 6am on Sunday. Residents' access will be maintained but may be subject to delay while equipment is moved.

## Northgate Site Updates

### Foundation Piling

This work has now been completed, apologies for any disturbance while the sheet piling adjacent to Hunter St. was carried out. The sandstone geology created a very hard rock bed which resulted in louder than planned piling. Thankfully the vast majority of the piling was completed with an auger which was significantly quieter.

### Weekend Working 8am – 6pm

Further permission to work at weekends has been granted to allow for limited small scale works until the end of December. This is to allow for critical groundworks to enable the superstructure works to start on time after Christmas. VINCI have assured us that they will try to minimise breaking works in the first hour where possible.

### And finally... Movember

Our VINCI site management team have all committed to take part in the Movember Challenge to raise funds for the homeless in Chester by growing facial hair in various guises. So far they have raised over £1,700, to support them please visit: <http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/vincimovhomeless> A great team effort!