The proposed demolition will be in accordance with strict controls and regulations. The main access to the site will be from the A350 Westbury Road via the existing main access gate and security. Twenty-four hour security will be provided. Construction traffic will be prohibited from using routes other than those approved. If required, wheel washing facilities will be provided to prevent contamination of the public highway. The site will be securely fenced and adequately signed with relevant warning signs prior to the commencement of any site works. No overnight demolition work is expected but some work may exceptionally be required including for example the demolition of the chimney (operational and safety requirements on the adjoining railway may require that).

Strict environmental monitoring and consideration will be undertaken particularly with residential properties located adjacent to the works site entrance, the existing farm to the north of the site and other properties and farms further afield. Dust and noise will be kept to a minimum and there are no anticipated risks of odour occurring.

Environmental and amenity standards will be managed:

- Noise use of monitoring and reduction at source by use of best practice
- Dust use of monitoring and reduction at source by use of best practice
- Working at height minimise by use of modern demolition equipment
- Vehicle emissions use of modern well maintained equipment
- General restriction of working to daytime hours
- Removal of hazardous materials before demolition
- Minimise HGV traffic by retaining demolition rubble on site



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## WESTBURY SITE UPDATE

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The Tarmac Westbury site lies north east of Westbury, north of the Reading to Taunton mainline railway. The site is located away from main urban areas, with individual residential dwellings located to the west and a number of farms located to the north.









## **WESTBURY** SITE UPDATE

The Westbury cement works was originally constructed in the early 1960s and has been subject to further modification and additions since then. The works site (cement manufacture) was mothballed in 2009. A decision to permanently close the manufacturing works was made in 2010 although import of cement for onward local distribution has continued.

On-site activity now comprises open and covered storage of cement products and the transfer of bulk cement from rail wagons to heavy goods vehicles for onward transport. Existing activities occupy a relatively small part of the site. The remainder of the site is kept secure pending its potential redevelopment.

In 2013 Wiltshire Council identified the site as a Strategic Waste Allocation which allows various potential recycling uses to be brought forward. We are keen to pursue the opportunities that the allocation presents and find occupiers for the site.

The existing redundant buildings represent a barrier for potential future alternative occupiers. In order to make the site attractive to the market and demonstrate its deliverability, redundant buildings must now be removed and the site prepared for accommodating potential new uses. We are therefore proposing demolition and clearance of the non-operational areas in order to provide a more attractive site for tenants to invest in. The primary purpose of the proposed demolition is to prepare the site for future alternative use and to ensure that it can be more readily marketed as a mainly vacant site. The site is also currently an attraction to trespassers presenting a security and maintenance liability. Demolition will result in reduced trespass and reduced needs for maintenance.

We believe that the proposed demolition will also be an important step in realising the aspirations of Wiltshire Council's allocation whilst also positively managing the otherwise gradual dereliction of the site.



The proposed demolition boundary is shown in the plan. In order to secure the greatest flexibility to deal with potential future occupier requirements, approval is sought to demolish all existing buildings within the demolition site boundary on a phased basis. Existing cement distribution operations are proposed to remain in use and unchanged. The phasing plan therefore differentiates areas within which early demolition is proposed and areas where demolition is planned but not immediately envisaged. The existing railway sidings will be kept to serve the existing operations.

Demolition materials which can be reused will be removed from site for recycling. Hazardous materials as identified by specialist surveys (primarily asbestos) will be removed from the site and disposed of in accordance with environmental controls and licensing. Demolition rubble will be used to loosely backfill existing voids.

## **DEMOLITION ACTIVITIES:**

Demolition activities are fully explained in the submission made to Wiltshire Council, but in summary provide for:

- Early demolition of all redundant production facilities associated with the former cement works phased around the ongoing local distribution of cement from the site
- Targeted water sprays and water curtains to be used to contain dust emissions
- Hazardous materials to be removed under controlled conditions in advance of demolition commencing
- Use of pulverising and shearing techniques rather than impact equipment to minimise noise
- Demolition of the chimney by controlled use of explosives

