



**Davyhulme:
A plant for the 21st century**

So how's it going at Davyhulme?

We have been working on our modernisation programme at Davyhulme wastewater treatment works for about two years now and you will have seen big changes to the site during this time.

Davyhulme is one of the biggest wastewater treatment sites in Europe so you can imagine how much work is needed to update it and make it fit for the 21st century.

Manchester's continued economic growth has brought more people and businesses to the area.

We are investing £200 million at the treatment works which will make sure we can continue to provide a great service to all our customers in the greater Manchester area.



Top: Davyhulme WwTW in 2015

Bottom: Major construction work in 2017
(Chill Factor in top of photos)

We've made good progress so far

We started our excavation work on site in April 2015, and since then have made huge progress in building a new process stream at Davyhulme, this includes a new inlet works (which will remove all big and small objects from the wastewater) and new tanks to treat the wastewater.



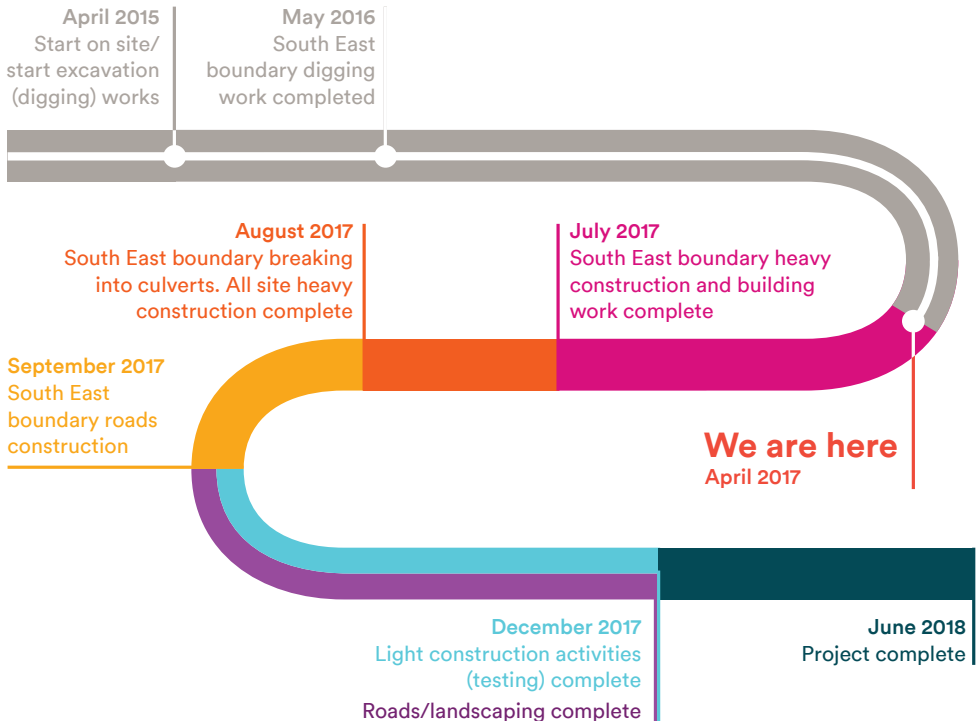
In the South East area of the site (near Rivers Lane and Broadway) we are due to complete all heavy construction and building work by July 2017. The work to connect the new inlet works to the culverts (which bring the waste to the site) is due to be completed by August 2017. We then need to construct a new road, which will be completed by September 2017.

But that's not the end of our work at Davyhulme

After all the construction is finished we will have a six months of testing before we start switch over to this new process stream.

We also have other roads around site and landscaping to finish which will screen some of the work we have done and reduce what you will be able to see of the works from your homes and businesses.

We expect the modernisation programme to be completely implemented and the treatment works fully switched over and operational in the new ways of working by June 2018.



For the latest developments, visit our Davyhulme website: unitedutilities.com/davyhulme-plans

What else have we been doing?

We're committed to be a considerate neighbour. We are scrutinised in what we do by the independent Considerate Contractor Scheme. Over the summer, assessors from the scheme visited Davyhulme. They looked at how we run the site and how considerate we are to the local community, the environment, and the people who work for us. We were pleased to be scored 43 out of 50 under the scheme as the average for construction sites under this scheme is around 35.

- Our investment in Davyhulme goes far beyond the boundaries and the building work we are undertaking to modernise the treatment works.
- We believe passionately in using our investment programme to generate income for the northwest economy providing jobs and using local suppliers, where we can, to provide the materials we need for our modernisation programme.
- Our work places us right in the heart of the local community. We have taken time to engage more than 6500 local residents, businesses, schools and councillors. We have developed strong links with the local community to seek their views and opinions on how we should act.



We employ 54% of our Davyhulme workforce from the local community and we offer opportunities for people of all ages to learn and develop their knowledge and skills in engineering construction and in business.

- Our programme has helped young people to secure apprenticeship places. We have taken on 29 apprentices, some are new and others are continuing their apprenticeships with our contractors.
- We have created 9 new construction jobs and 18 young people have been on our work experience programme.
- We believe the way we do business is important and making sure our investment programme benefits local suppliers and businesses, where possible, is a key driver for us. We have therefore sourced over £46 million pounds worth of our materials and contracts from the local region.
- We encourage our employees at Davyhulme to volunteer their time to local community projects and they have volunteered over 500 hours of their time to different projects in the local community.
- We have attended more than 60 local community events, interacted with over 1000 school children and supported 21 different charities.



- Our employees have raised money for local charities donating more than £8000 which includes donations to Royal Manchester Children's hospital charity, and The Christie Charitable Trust, a cancer charity.
- We have worked with 13 local schools, including the Stepping into Business Programme which introduces young people to the idea of business developing their skills and knowledge on how to develop a product and sell it in a dragons den style pitch to senior managers at the Davyhulme site.



We have also invested a total of £48,000 in six community projects in the local area. They include improvements to Davyhulme, Golden Hill and Broadway Parks, improvement of the pond area at Mossfield allotments a community garden at Christ Church and providing and a new community room at Cheeky Cherub's play area.

Broadway Park-Community Orchard

The Friends of Broadway Park have started on a new project to introduce a community orchard to the park. This included planting 15 fruit trees and an edible hedge.

Christ Church Community Group

Christ Church are planning to extend the current community garden by developing a multi-sensory garden. A team volunteers took place at Christ Church in February.

Golden Hill Park

The friends of Group are planning to do a mass bulb planting to brighten up the park.

Mossfield Allotment

The allotment group have been working to bring a pond back to its former glory. The work on the pond is now finished and they are planning an event for the wider community in May 2017.

Davyhulme Park

This has been a partnership project with Trafford Council and AMEY, to bring the park back to its former glory. This has involved doing so much needed maintenance of the park and replacing a damaged mosaic with a new sculpture. The sculpture has been designed by a local artist, and the final design was voted on by local school children.



Cheeky Cherubs community learning centre

Cheeky Cherubs are planning to create a new community room within their building that can be used for youth work and educational training.

