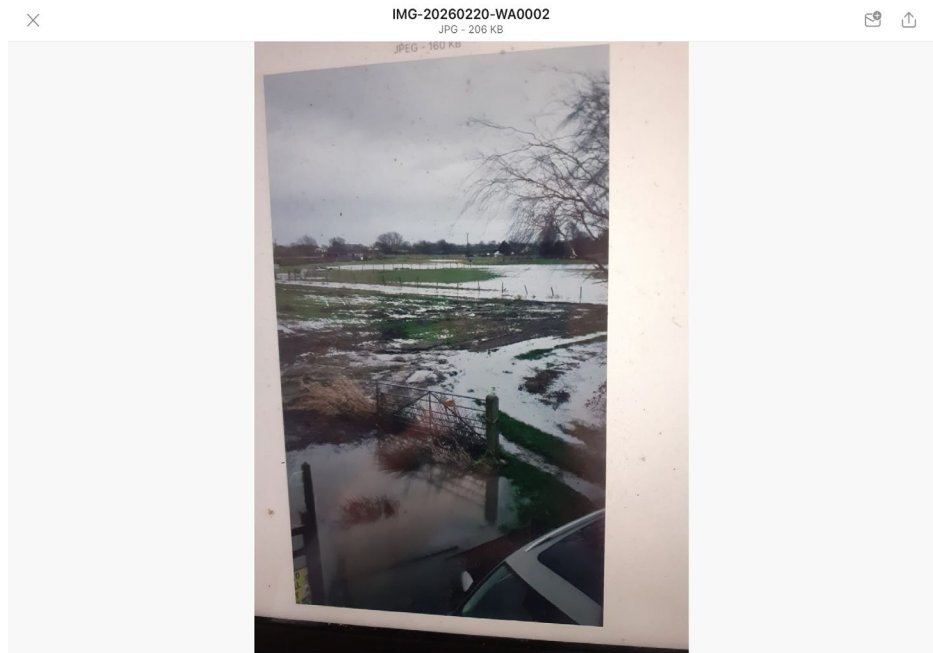


The following photograph is the view of the phase A of the proposed quarry.



This photograph was taken over the Christmas period 2025.

The photograph below is of Green Dicks Lane in Pilling.



The photograph was taken in July 2007.

The thing of note regarding this photograph is that Green Dicks Lane (to the East of the proposed quarry.. 1 field away from phases 3a & b) , runs directly between the two main dyke systems in the area.

These systems are on the left hand side of the road, the Wheelfoot dyke system which empties into the sea at “ Cockers Dyke” pumping station.

This is the dyke system which would serve the proposed quarry.

This network cannot manage the current demands on it... in the words of Paul Long (Senior Engineer at Wyre Borough Council), the pumping station is not “ man enough “ for the job it has to do!

BUT THERE IS MORE!

On the right hand side of Green Dicks Lane is the final stretch of dyke of the Broadfleet System which discharges into the sea at Broadfleet in Pilling via gates.

The problem is these gates are in a bad state of repair causing backlog in this system to the point of sea water actually entering into the system, contaminating the fresh dyke system water and resulting in large amounts of lland remaining waterlogged!

The Environment Agency have been working on these gates this winter, but have aborted their attempts due to wether conditions.

What is of grave concern is the fact that when a significant head of water builds up in the dyke on the rhs of Green Dicks Lane, it breaches through onto the road and then flows into the lower Wheelfoot system on the lhs...causing major problems to an already overburdened dyke system.

Below are some photographs of Lancaster Road and Sunnyside Terrace when it was closed due to flooding in 2017... there may be others included here on different dates which cannot be verified, but the road closure and use of pumps is not unusual.. the last time pump in action was over Xmas 2025-2026..

Note Sunnyside Terrace is approximately 500m from the proposed quarry entrance.

Photo 13-Lancaster Road closed during flood

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Photo 7- Sunnyside flood with quarry area in background

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