

## Welcome



This is our sixth newsletter for the Aberaeron Coastal Defence Scheme which aims to provide an overview of the upcoming works.

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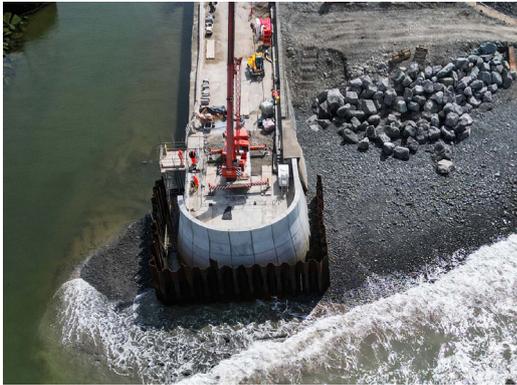


Aberaeron Harbour - Andrew Chittock

BAM is working in partnership with Ceredigion County Council and AtkinsRéalis Design Consultancy to deliver Aberaeron Coastal Defence Scheme.

## Project progress update

I am pleased to report significant progress across several key areas of the project. We have already seen the benefits of the new breakwater during storms earlier in the year.



The new South Pier head has been re built and near completion.

Photography - Andrew Chittock



The permanent navigation markers have been installed by the harbour entrance.

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Quay Parade new reinforced stone wall, flood gates, glass panels and new lighting have all been installed.



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## Project progress update

River Aeron new stone walls, glass panels and rock revetment have been installed.



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The Hive new stone wall and glass panels have been installed.



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The new groynes along South Beach have been installed.



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## What have we been doing?

- » Construction of foundation works to capping beam at Toad Hall, river Aeron.
- » Completion of masonry cladding and glass panels in front of Y-Seler, river Aeron.
- » Removal of access platform in River Aeron and reinstate rocks.
- » Pwll Cam terrace wall: glass panels and masonry finish as far as we can go, with each tie-ins to follow in the next period.
- » Construction of new inner harbour gate abutments and masonry cladding.
- » Completion of new harbour wall and glass panels to the Hive.
- » Completion of masonry cladding and glass panels along Quay Parade wall. The gate area adjoining The Hive will be completed in the next period.
- » Completion of Quay Parade drainage and road reinstatement.
- » Construction of quayside promenade concrete footpath.
- » Completion of 3 gates and street lighting installation to Quay Parade.
- » Construction of north breakwater and concrete walkway.
- » Completion of south pierhead concrete structure.
- » Completion of south beach new timber groynes and the rock revetment.



## Key upcoming works

### May:

- » Build new capping beam on river wall in front of Toad Hall.
- » Construction of new wall at the wooden bridge to tie-in to the river Aeron wall and Pwll Cam terrace wall.
- » Construction of steps to the Pwll Cam terrace area.
- » Continuing construction of the new inner harbour gate abutments and kiosk building.
- » Install Quay Parade walls and gate at area adjoining The Hive.
- » Construction of the Quay Parade quayside promenade concrete footpath.
- » Continuing construction of the north breakwater concrete walkway and rock placement.
- » Install masonry cladding to the new south pierhead.

- » On the south beach, commence removal of haul routes and level out beach replenishment.

### June:

- » Install glass panels to river wall in front of Toad Hall.
- » Construction of new walls and gate structure at the wooden bridge.
- » Construction of steps and ramp retaining wall to the Pwll Cam terrace area.
- » Installation of new Pwll Cam harbour gate.
- » Final finishings and clearing of works to Quay Parade.
- » Completion of north breakwater concrete walkway and rock placement.
- » Installation of new rock groyne to the south pier.

### July:

- » Complete masonry finishes to Toad Hall, landscape and clear site.
- » Install and commissioning of Pwll Cam harbour gate.
- » Building of the walls and roof to the new kiosk building.
- » Install power supply through Pwll Cam terrace to kiosk.
- » Continue masonry cladding to walls around gate works.
- » Groundworks and hard landscaping to Pwll Cam terrace area.
- » Remove temporary works sheet piling at entrance to inner harbour.
- » Removal of the temporary platforms within the inner harbour.
- » Complete installation of the new rock groyne to the south pier and withdraw haul route access.





## Traffic and pedestrian management

We are making every effort to minimise our impact on residents and visitors to Aberaeron while we work on the flood defences. However, there is a need to manage traffic and pedestrians in order to allow us safe working areas and protect the public. The temporary closures listed below remain in place. The coastal path diversion through Aberaeron.

- » The coastal path diversion through Aberaeron.
- » Access onto South Beach.
- » The pedestrian wooden footbridge across the river Aeron.
- » Quay Parade road closure ends on 30th May 2025.

## Community Benefits and Engagement



BAM is committed to supporting the local community and has sponsored many local events and sporting clubs in Aberaeron.

### The Brain Tumour Charity

A determined employee at BAM Construction has gone above and beyond to support a cause close to his heart by fundraising for the Brain Tumour Charity through the Cardiff Winter Warmer Half Marathon. Caleb Lewis-Price, 26, took on the 13.1-mile challenge wearing a BAM vest on Saturday, February 11, 2025, to raise vital funds for the charity, which is dedicated to supporting those affected by brain tumours and funding groundbreaking research.



### BAM Donates Surplus Materials

BAM has demonstrated a strong commitment to supporting local communities through a generous donation of surplus materials to the Aberaeron Men's Shed, an initiative that helps individuals stay connected and contribute to meaningful projects. This donation not only assists in reducing waste but also provides valuable resources for the Men's Shed to repurpose for a variety of community-driven projects.

### Local Restaurant Gets a Helping Hand from BAM

As a good will gesture BAM installed a disabled ramp for a local restaurant. The gesture comes as part of BAM's ongoing efforts to promote inclusivity and support local businesses affected by the ongoing coastal defence works.

### BAM to the Rescue to Unblock Drains

BAM was approached by a local business to help clear their blocked drains, that was negatively affecting their ability to run their business. BAM immediately went to the rescue and unblocked the drains. This involved bringing in a jet wash lorry to flush the pipework through to unblock the system and a camera survey by our engineers to ensure the system was cleared.

### Ysgol Gynradd Aberaeron

BAM recently completed the removal of the condemned playground equipment from Ysgol Gynradd Aberaeron playground, ensuring the safety and well-being of the children who have been unable to use this area of the playground.

### Considerate Constructors National Awards Ceremony

The Aberaeron Coastal Defence Project has been recognised for outstanding performance by Considerate Constructors. Members of the team were present at the awards ceremony to receive the certificate in recognition of our collective efforts.



*Cllr Shelly Childs - Ceredigion County Council, Abby Davies - BAM Quantity Surveyor, Gwen Clements - BAM Public Liaison Officer, Andrew Pointon-Bell - BAM Project Manager, Alan Haird - Project Manager, Ceredigion County Council.*





## Community Benefits and Engagement

### BAM STEM Ambassadors Inspire Future Engineers

BAM STEM Ambassadors have continued to meet with local students to provide valuable insight into career opportunities in Civil Engineering.

Since our last newsletter in February we have engaged with:

- » Ysgol Henry Richard Secondary School.
- » Cardigan Carpentry College.
- » Penglais Secondary School.
- » Llanon Primary School.



Cardigan College carpentry students, who visited the Aberaeron Coastal Defence scheme to see firsthand, the project being delivered by BAM.



Ysgol Henry Richard, Tregaron secondary school presentation on opportunities and different apprenticeship routes into construction.

BAM has taken significant steps to bridge the gap between education and the workforce by offering valuable work experience opportunities to local students. This initiative plays a crucial role in shaping the future of the civil engineering industry, providing students with an insights into real-world and fostering a deeper understanding of the engineering world.



Harry Best – Year 12 student



Morgan Bayliss – Homeschooled



Owain Watson – Cardigan College



# Community Benefits and Engagement



To celebrate International Women’s day, BAM’s Public Liaison Officer met with the ‘Ceredigion WI’ group to present an overview of the Aberaeron Coastal Defence project. Members of the group were keen to learn about progress since their visit last year.

BAM Pays Tribute at Aberaeron 80th VE Day Anniversary Ceremony.



## A snapshot of the feedback received from the local community

“ A word of thanks for attending our Careers Fair at Ysgol Bro Teifi last week. We really appreciate your willingness to attend and we feel that our pupils have benefited greatly. Many parents have praised the event too. ”  
Ysgol Bro Teifi

“ On behalf of the L2 Foundation Carpentry and Roofing students and staff at Coleg Ceredigion, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to you and the BAM team for hosting us on the site visit to the Sea Defence project in Aberaeron. It was an incredible opportunity for our students to gain real-world insights into large-scale construction, health and safety practices, and the vital role that different trades play in such an important project. ”  
Cardigan College

“ I really enjoyed my work experience with BAM and found it really interesting. ”  
Work Experience

“ On behalf of Penglais School and Careers Wales, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of you for all the time and support you gave year 8 pupils at Penglais School while they have been working on their speeches. The final pitches were amazing, and the pupils had used lots of information, facts, and detail from your presentations in their work. The English department and the Headteacher were very impressed with what the pupils had learnt and delivered on the day in their persuasive speeches. As judges, it was really hard to choose 2 winners because all the finalists were brilliant, they were passionate about flooding in Aberystwyth, they demonstrated great knowledge and had some fantastic presentation skills. The finalists loved all their freebies and goodie bags that you provided. ”  
Penglais School / Careers Wales



# Construction gallery



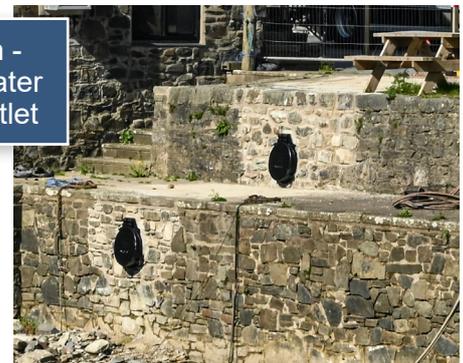
Pwll Cam entrance -Reinforced concrete steel walls to install the flood gate



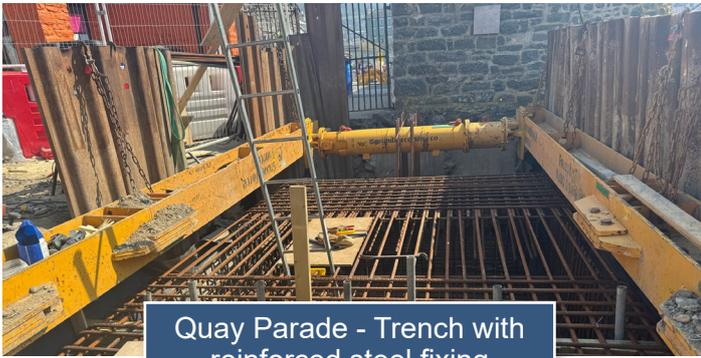
\* South Beach - New rock revetment



\* South Beach - Temporary road to transport rock to the breakwater



\* Pwll Cam - New floodwater drainage outlet



Quay Parade - Trench with reinforced steel fixing



Y Seler - New wall and glass panels



River Aeron - New Wall and glass panels



Quay Parade - Installing a flood gate

\* Photography by Andrew Chittock



# OUR TEAM



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John Clancy

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## We are BAM



We imagine, create and enrich buildings and infrastructure across the UK & Ireland. For over 150 years, we've dedicated ourselves to enhancing lives by creating sustainable environments and communities where people can live, work and thrive.

Our vision is to build a sustainable tomorrow. That's why we think beyond the build and focus on the bigger impact. It's how we make the iconic buildings and infrastructure that shape our society.

Restless in our pursuit of better, we work collaboratively with our partners to unlock what's possible, together. That's because we believe in actions, not words.

And that's why we're on a mission to make possible.

## Environment and community



Through the adoption of a responsible and proactive attitude to environmental issues BAM is committed to minimising any potentially harmful effects of its business activities on the environment and contributing to sustainable development through balancing its business aims with environmental considerations. BAM will comply with, and where possible, exceed legal and other requirements to which it subscribes, in relation to its environmental aspects and engaging communities in the project.

## Considerate Constructors



All BAM sites register with the Considerate Constructors Scheme. This means we are committed to being a good neighbour and to being clean, respectful, safe, environmentally conscious, responsible, and accountable. Our site is independently inspected to make sure we live up to these aims.

We try to work in a way that causes as little inconvenience as possible to our neighbours. We apologise for any unavoidable nuisance that may be caused during the work.

## Contact Us

It is our intention to complete these works with minimal disruption. However, if you have any concerns, please contact our Public Liaison Officer who is available to assist.

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