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Dear Sir/Madam

**Upcoming site investigation surveys as part of the Norwich Western Link project**

I am writing to inform you that Ferrovial Construction, a contractor working on behalf of Norfolk County Council, intends to carry out archaeological trial trenching works and geotechnical investigations as part of the Norwich Western Link project.

The works are programmed to start in early May and should be completed by the end of September 2022. The surveys will be conducted in the vicinity of the proposed route for the new road and you may notice our survey teams in the local area at this time.

Trial trenching is a method of archaeological evaluation used to estimate the archaeological potential of a site. Trenches are located at intervals across a site leaving the rest untouched. This allows any archaeological items of interest that are uncovered to be recorded. The trenches are dug using excavators, with excavated material stored adjacent to each trench.

Geotechnical investigations are carried out through the excavation of trial pits and using specialist drilling rigs to extract samples which will help us to gain a better understanding of the ground conditions.

These surveys will not require any road closures or traffic management measures and access to Public Rights of Way will be maintained throughout. Contractors will carry out this work between 7am and 5pm Monday to Friday. If needed, for example due to poor weather causing delays, some work may also be carried out on Saturdays between 8am and 1pm.

For more information on the Norwich Western Link, please visit [www.norfolk.gov.uk/nwl](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/nwl). If you have any queries about these surveys, please contact me using the email address and phone number above.

Yours Faithfully,  
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