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### **Residents Update - Lee Wood Road Heptonstall**

Reconstruction of the collapsed section of retaining wall that supports Lee Wood Road has been completed.

There is some additional work to be carried out before the road can be opened to traffic. This comprises re-laying the drainage channel to the edge of the carriageway, installation of an asphalt extruded kerb to narrow the road to keep vehicles away from the retaining wall, and trimming/removal of trees.

It is anticipated that the road will reopen on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2013 or earlier once this work is completed and permanent traffic management signs and signals are in place.

### **Lee Wood Road between Tentercroft and Hollins**

Boreholes at this location have shown that this section of wall cannot be reconstructed using our current construction method as the wall will need to be founded over 6m below road level.

Ongoing monitoring has shown no further movement at this location and we will therefore be narrowing this section of road to 4m width with vehicle activated traffic lights to control traffic.

Monitoring will continue to identify any future movement and a design for a piled wall will be progressed as a contingency. Future movement and the need to construct a piled wall would obviously result in Lee Wood Road being closed and the current temporary traffic management system being re-introduced.

### **Traffic Management upon Completion.**

To prevent further deterioration of the full length of the wall the following traffic management will be required.

- An 18t weight limit and 40mph speed limit along Draper Lane and Lee Wood Road.
- Reduction in width of Lee Wood Road between Northwell Lane and Tentercroft to 5.5m.
- Reduction in width of Lee Wood Road between Tentercroft and Hollins to 4m and single way traffic controlled by permanent vehicle activated traffic lights.
- Permanent signing of HGV diversion via Todmorden, Cliviger and Blackshaw Head for vehicles over 18t.

I hope that this letter helps to reduce your concerns and ask that you bear with us in the current circumstances. If you have any questions please **please ring the Council customer contact centre on 0845 245 7000**, or your Ward or Parish Councillor.