Skirting Beck & Whangs Beck Flood Risk Management Scheme Update July 2020

The Environment Agency is building a Flood Risk Management Scheme in Egremont that consists of flood walls and embankments, which will create storage areas. We are also helping to better protect a number of properties through flood resistance measures. This Scheme will better protect residential and business properties from flooding and improve the local environment and community amenities. Some of the benefits are;

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Skirting Beck and Whangs Beck

Our planning application for this Flood Risk Management Scheme was approved by Copeland Borough Council in October 2019. We have completed works under permitted development, in the Croadalla Avenue area, which includes property resistance measures to 43 properties and improved Sustainable Drainage Systems to better protect them from flooding. We are also creating flood storage areas consisting of flood walls and flood embankments at West Lakes Academy and Falcon Club and How Bank Farm both on Skirting Beck, and further flood storage on Whangs Beck.

What's happened so far?

- We have set up the site compound at Orgill Old Primary School, off Croadalla Avenue.
- Works on Croadalla Avenue Culvert are now 60% complete.
- We have provided property flood resistance measures to 43 properties in Egremont.
- Piling works at West Lakes Academy/Falcon Club have been carried out.
- We are continuing to work with West Lakes Academy and Falcon Club.
- Footpath closures and diversions will be in place around the perimeter of West Lakes Academy/Falcon Club.
- We have begun the enabling works for the How Bank storage area.

Coming up

- Installation of pre-cast units over the piled wall at West Lakes Academy/Falcon Club.
- Habitat and recreational space to be improved at Black Beck and St Petersburg Pond.
- 675-800 trees to be planted to help mitigate for tree losses during planting season.

Thank you

We are very grateful for the support from residents on St Bridget's Lane allowing easy access/egress to the site compound. This allowed easy delivery of large machinery and materials for the piling works which are now complete.

Without the help and cooperation of local residents, WLA, Falcon club, schools, nurseries these works would not be progressing as they are...thank you to the community and partners of Egremont.

Covid-19

During the current Covid-19 pandemic, works are being carried out in line with the Government's most up-to-date advice and workers have implemented social distancing measures.

Find out more

You can find out more about the scheme by visiting:-

- www.cumbriastrategicfloodparternship.org for how we are contributing to managing flood risk from Source to Sea
- <u>www.thefloodhub.co.uk</u> in 'Your local area' to see a summary of what the scheme is proposing and for general information on how to prepare and respond to all sources of flooding

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