

## Radcliffe and Redvales – Flooding Newsletter

December 2020

### 2020 Community Drop in's

Due to Covid-19 community drop in sessions have been postponed. As mentioned in the last update, we are looking at alternative ways of holding sessions in line with government guidance to ensure all that attend are safe.

We would like to pilot holding these meetings via Microsoft Teams. If you have any queries or concerns and would like to make an appointment to speak to the project team, please email [FloodResilienceGMMC@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:FloodResilienceGMMC@environment-agency.gov.uk) and we will arrange an appointment and send you a link to access the meeting at a time convenient to you.

Don't worry if you don't have access to Microsoft Teams just let us know and we will arrange an alternative method.

### Project / Flood Scheme update - Phase 1

Over the last month we have been planting bulbs and trees at Close Park, Dumers Lane and Morris Street. Additional landscaping works will continue into next spring with further planting and seeding scheduled to be complete.

Close Park is now open to the public, with only localised areas closed off to be grass seeded in the spring.



*Phase 1 - tree planting*



*Flood defences at the end of Morris Street*

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## Project / Flood Scheme update - Phase 2

Work has begun on building the flood defences at Lower Hinds. The vegetation on the Metrolink embankment has been cleared, ready for it to be lined with clay to make it water tight and act as a flood defence. This element of the work goes from the Metrolink Bridge to Bury Grammar School. We have had few incidents with trespassers on the site. Whilst construction is ongoing it is unsafe to access the footpaths in the area. We apologise for the inconvenience caused.

Upcoming work areas:

- Construction of the concrete retaining walls on Warth Road and opposite St. Peters school.
- Flood defences on the right bank by Wincanton and along Hardy's Gate Bridge are expected to start in the New Year. There will be a lane closure in place at this time.



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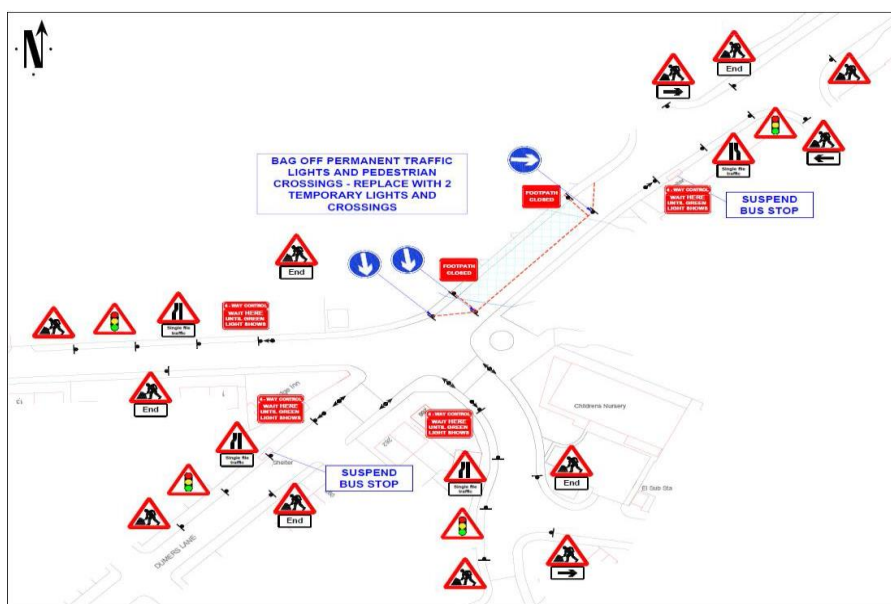
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## Phase 2 – Footpath Closure

Temporary traffic control is to be put in place from February until April whilst works are undertaken on Hardy's Gate Bridge as part of the wider Radcliffe and Redvales flood risk management scheme. These changes are:-

- The footpath on the York Street side of Dumers Lane will be closed for the duration of the works
- The crossing at the south side of Dumers Lane and Gate Lane will remain in place but under temporary crossing control
- The crossing to the north of the Dumers Lane junction will be moved to the temporary lights position north of the bridge.

This closure is necessary in order to maintain a safe working area for the construction works, and ensure the safety of the public and passing traffic.



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## Bury Council Update

### Recent development proposals

National and local planning policy is clear that new developments shouldn't be granted planning permission if they would be at risk of flooding – or if they would increase risk of flooding for existing properties. Applications for development in flood risk areas therefore have to demonstrate, through a flood risk assessment report, that they won't increase flood risk. The following planning applications may be of interest:

- Housing development at York Street (Ref. 65847)
- Housing development at Morris Street (Ref. 65015)
- Flood defence scheme applications at Lower Hinds (64790), York Street Chemical Works (65171), Hardy's Gate Bridge (65746) and Buckley Wells (65809) have been approved

At Lower Hinds there are plans to include a new community green space and wetland, this will leave behind a more natural floodplain and provide new habitat for a range of wildlife from birds to invertebrates. Planning permission was approved in September 2020, with conditions still to be discharged. However, the extent of these works are dependent on the available funding. Discussions are ongoing to secure funding to complete these wildlife enhancement.

### The Flood Hub

The Flood Hub is your one stop shop for flood advice and information. It is funded by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (RFCC) and has been developed by Newground and other partner agencies to support communities at risk of flooding across the North West. You can find all the up to date project information along with advice for planning and preparing for floods in the North West, to protect homes, businesses, land and wildlife.

Visit <https://thefloodhub.co.uk/racliffeandredvalesfas/> for information!

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## How will we keep you updated and involve you

We will continue to use the Radcliffe Flood Action Group to share information with residents as well as producing more newsletters and holding virtual public drop-in sessions linked to key stages of the project.

We have set up an email address specifically for the Radcliffe and Redvales Flood Risk Management project that can be used for any queries or comments in regards to this project:

[RadcliffeRedvales.FRMS@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:RadcliffeRedvales.FRMS@environment-agency.gov.uk) If you are outside the flood area and would like to be kept up to date with the Radcliffe and Redvales Flood Risk Management Scheme via email, please email [floodresiliencemmc@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:floodresiliencemmc@environment-agency.gov.uk) to be added to the mailing list.

If you would like more information about flood risk, you can email:

[FloodResilienceGMMC@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:FloodResilienceGMMC@environment-agency.gov.uk)

Visit our website for further information:  
<https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding>

Bury Council's website for flood risk information is:  
[www.bury.gov.uk/flooding-advice](http://www.bury.gov.uk/flooding-advice)

You can also follow the Environment Agency on Twitter:  
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