

Waterside Flats

As we prepare to start flood protection improvements in this area with the construction of a new flood wall at Waterside Flats, we wanted to take the opportunity to explain what you can expect over the coming weeks.

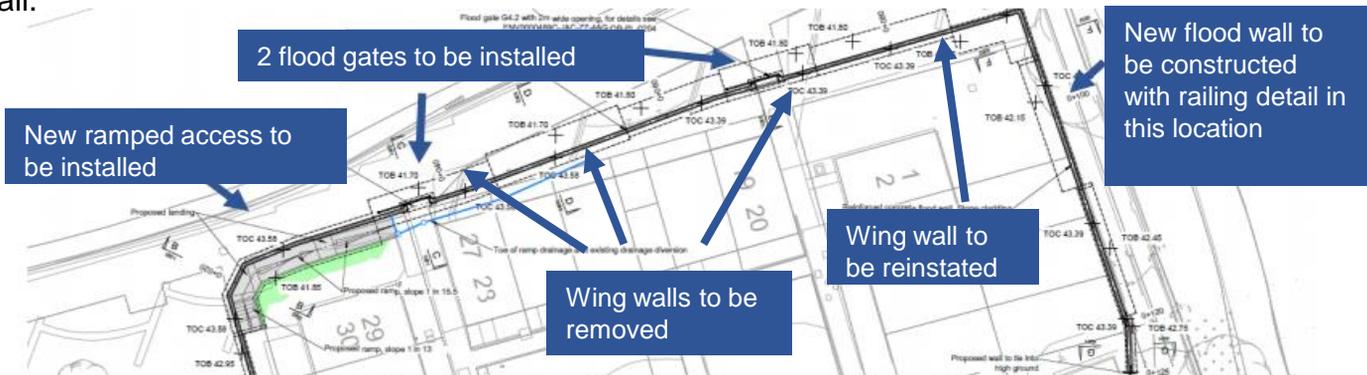
Footpath diversions and road closures (as outlined below), will be put in place from November and will remain in place until the construction work is complete. We estimate that the works will take approximately 6 months.

Road, footpath closure and diversion route at Waterside Flats



Waterside Flats flood wall construction

We will be constructing the new flood wall around the riverside boundary of Waterside Flats. The drawing below shows the line of the new defence. Two floodgates will be integrated which will remain open for access and only closed in periods of forecasted flooding. The current steps on the corner of Waterside Flats will be removed and a new ramp installed which will improve access for all.



Waterside Flats wing walls

The wing walls located on the riverside of the flats will be removed as part of our works. The new flood wall will re-use the stone from these walls and one will be reinstated once the construction of the new flood wall is complete. The new flood wall will provide the same level of privacy that the wing walls once provided.

The works in this area are anticipated to take approximately 8 months and involve the construction of a flood defence wall which will tie into the boundary wall on the south side of Holy Trinity Church. The wall will extend downstream running adjacent to Kirkland Hall, Nether Hall and the Parish Church. This wall will be finished in stone cladding and will vary in height from 0.6m—1.6m. Improvements will also be made to the existing footpath to create better access for all.



NATURAL STONE CLADDING

Some of the wall foundations will be built on concrete piles to avoid underground services and tree roots.

We will endeavour to keep the footpath below open for as long as feasibly possible, however it is anticipated that a closure will be in place from November. The diversion will be clearly sign posted as can be seen below.

Footpath closure and diversion route at Parish Church



Tree removal and landscaping at Parish Church and Waterside Flats

Our initial estimation of trees requiring removal in these locations was originally 7, but through further assessments and refining processes we have been able to reduce this number to 3. We will be undertaking extensive planting in both locations following completion of the construction works with 20 new trees and a diverse range of ornamental shrubs and grasses.

Site safety

The site will be safely secured by fencing. Any fencing and works which are in close proximity to homes will have additional panelling to provide privacy for these residents. No public access to the working site is permitted and it is important for the safety of the public and site staff that all site fencing and footpath closures are adhered to.