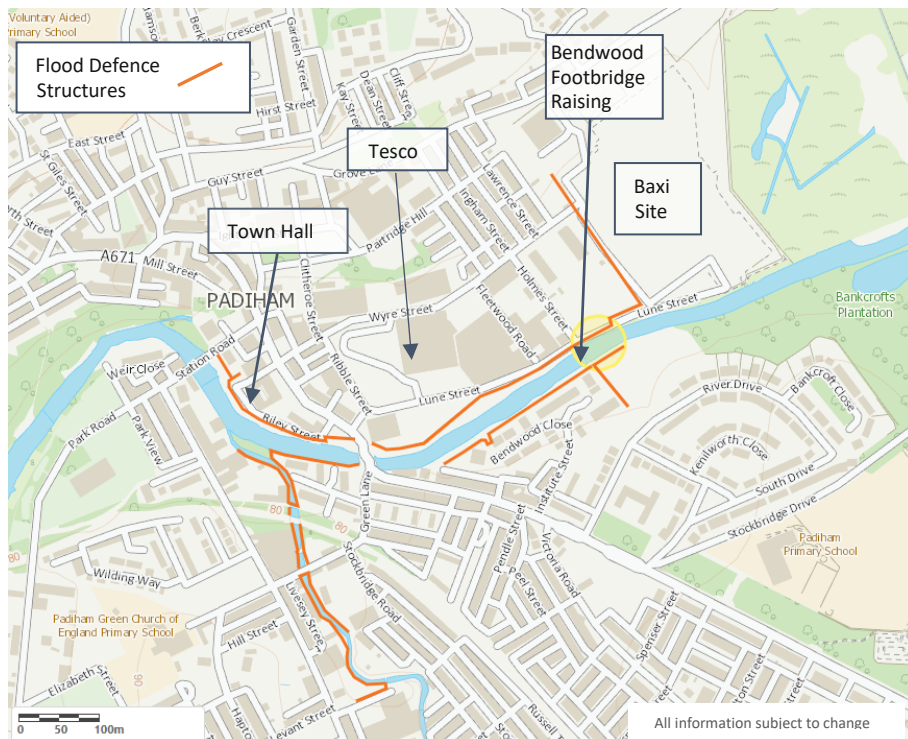


PADIHAM FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME SPRING 2022

UPDATE NEWSLETTER

March 2022



Scheme Overview

The Environment Agency, Burnley Borough Council and partners have been working together to develop a Flood Risk Management Scheme for Padiham.

The scheme will benefit approximately 150 homes, businesses, public buildings and key infrastructure in central Padiham. It will manage flood risk from the River Calder, Green Brook and surface water. The defences will manage an event similar in size to the December 2015 floods.

As the start of the construction works gets closer, we would like to share our progress with you and a look ahead to the works which will be happening over the next few months.

Work completed between January and March 2022

Following the newsletter in December 2021, we have been busy with the following:

- Agreement for changes at the former Baxi site due to the ground conditions and newsletter in February reporting this.
- Successfully secured the lawful development certificate to construct the works at the Town Hall under our permitted development rights.
- Submission of both the pre-application advice and screening opinion for works that can't be completed under permitted development rights.
- Enabling works for the areas we can complete under our permitted development rights and setting up of a site compound at the former Baxi site.
- Further ground investigation work has started for Bendwood Close, Waterside Mews, Green Brook & the former Baxi site.
- Tree work where trees would impact the scheme. This has concentrated on the area behind the Town Hall and the removal of the fallen trees due to Storm Arwen.
- Vegetation clearance along Green Brook around the LP Technology site.



Tree Removal at Town Hall

Forward look for work during April to July 2022

Currently our plans for the next couple of months are as follows:

- Submission of information to apply for a lawful development certificate for a second and possible third area of works we could complete under permitted development rights.
- Completion of further ground investigation works for the Green Brook Area and former Baxi site.
- Continued enabling works for the areas we can complete under our permitted development rights.
- Continued work on the planning application for the works we can't complete under our permitted development rights.
- The planned start of construction works around the Town Hall will be after the Padiham on Parade weekend.
- Continue with the detailed design for the rest of the scheme.
- Update of the information on the Flood Hub to reflect the changes to the scheme.
- Looking at possible improvements to the public realm spaces at centenary gardens and upstream of Padiham Bridge outside of Boyes. Therefore, we would welcome your thoughts on what improvements you feel would make a difference.

Works at Town Hall

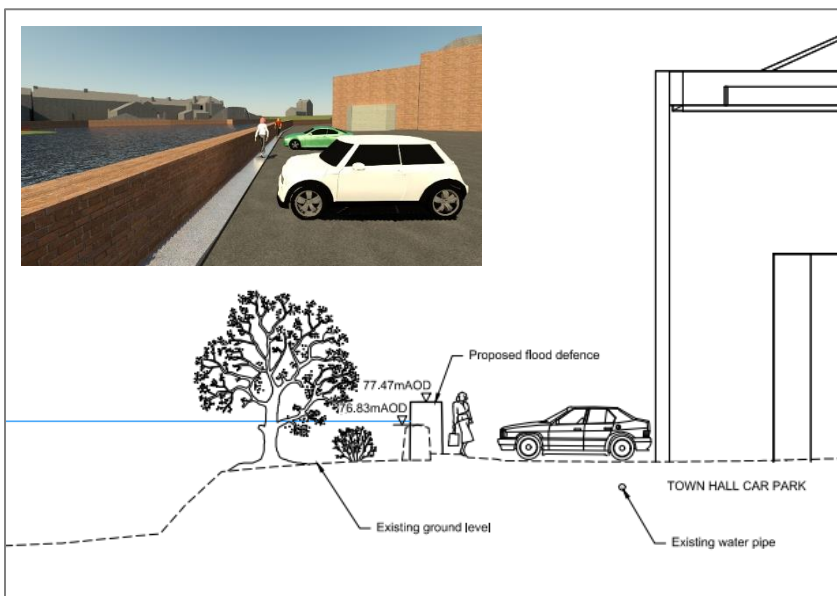
The first section of works planned to start this summer will be improvements to the existing flood defence wall located behind the town hall. This wall was originally constructed as part of a programme of improvements to existing assets in 2015.

The works will involve raising the height, thickening the wall stem, and increasing size of the foundations on the car park side.

The finish of the walls will remain the same red brick as current, and a larger coping stone will be needed but will be in a similar style to the existing.

By completing the works on the car park side, it means the new wall will not encroach onto the riverside footpath here.

The existing car parking spaces and electric points will be reinstated as part of the works.



Contact Us and More Information at The Flood Hub

For updates and more information please visit: <https://thefloodhub.co.uk/padiham>



Other Important Contact Details:

- 1) Report Flooding from the River Calder or Green Brook:
0345 988 1188 (Environment Agency Floodline)
- 2) Report environmental incident (e.g. pollution):
0800 80 70 60 (Environment Agency Hotline)
- 3) Report highways issue or flooding:
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it/> (Lancashire County Council)
- 4) Report public sewer flood issue:
0345 672 3723 (United Utilities Hotline)

To be added or removed from the Padiham newsletter emailing list, or for any further information relates to the flood defences, please contact:

CMBLNC-PSO@environment-agency.gov.uk

OR

Call **03708 506 506** (Environment Agency General Enquiries)

You can find more information about Flood Alerts and Warnings and see if you live, or have a business, in a flood area and register by searching for your location at:

<https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

Alternatively, telephone Floodline:

0345 988 1188 (24-hour service, check your tariff rates)