### Get the latest updates at www.thefloodhub.co.uk/psr or scan the QR code



### New Community Football Pitches at Archbishop Temple High School

Three new football pitches have been installed at Archbishop Temple High School. The pitches will provide an alternative venue for games while the BAC/EE Social & Sports Association grounds are being used as a site compound and to provide an access road for local properties.

Completing the pitches was delayed by the hot weather in July. The extreme heat dried out the surface and caused damage to the new grass. Repairs have been made to the turf and the pitches should be ready in a few weeks.

The new pitches are suitable for all ability levels and available for the school and local sports clubs to use:

- Senior Pitch
- Youth Pitch (U15/U16)
- Youth Pitch (U11/U12)

The pitches will remain in place after the flood



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defences are completed and will provide a lasting legacy of sports provision in Preston.

Goal posts for the pitches have been purchased by the Environment Agency, with a partial grant from the Football Association.

Improvements at the BAC/EE Social & Sports Association will also be made, this includes a new electronic scoreboard and resurfacing of the car park.

## MEET THE TEAM: Q&A Session at the Broadgate PACT Meeting

Senior Advisor Sarah Ulyatt will be attending the Broadgate Residents Action Group's PACT Meeting. She will be available to answer your questions and to provide an update on how the flood scheme is progressing.

Wednesday 12th October at 6.30pm St Stephen's Church, Bird Street, Broadgate, PR1 8DY

#### **Road Closures & Diversions**

**Broadgate** — The footpath and cycleway are currently closed and will reopen when flood defence works are complete. Pedestrians are advised to use the footpath on the other side of the road and cyclists to continue along the carriageway.

**Penwortham Methodist Church** — the footpath next to Church is currently closed and will reopen in Autumn when flood defence works are complete. A diversion route is signposted.

As work progresses there will be more updates about road closures. Residents who live in affected areas will received letters with advanced warning.

Email: psr@environment-agency.gov.uk

Write: PSR FRMS Team, Lutra House, Dodd Way (off Seedlee Road), Preston, PR5 8BX

Visit: Information Hub at BAC/EE Social & Sports Association, off South Meadow Lane, Broadgate, Preston, PR1 8JP | Open Wednesdays & Thursdays 10am-3pm



**AUTUMN 2022** 

# PRESTON & SOUTH RIBBLE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME NEWS LETTER





### Information Hub Now Open

To find out more about the scheme or to talk to the team you can visit the new Information Hub at the BAC/EE Social & Sports Association on South Meadow Lane, Broadgate, Preston, PR1 8JP.

Open Wednesdays & Thursdays between 10am-3pm. Free parking.

To make an appointment outside these times, you can email us at

### Introduction from your Local Area Flood & Coastal Risk Manager

I'm really pleased to introduce this quarter's newsletter. After many years of planning, work has now begun in earnest on the new Preston and South Ribble flood defences.

With climate change predicted to create much wetter winters, the risk of flooding is set to increase. This is why the Environment Agency is taking steps and planning for the future.

The £54.7m flood scheme aims to improve protection for around 5,000 homes and businesses along the River Ribble. However, we will also be investing in community spaces and the local environment. This includes planting thousands of trees and designing a wetland habitat, as well as creating new sports facilities.

This month sees the opening of our new Information Hub where you can get the latest updates on how the flood scheme is progressing. My team and I welcome your feedback, so please get in touch with any questions you have.

Pete Miles









### Flood Scheme Area Update



AREA 1: Broadgate & Riverside

**Area 2:** A lot of activity has taken place in Lower Penwortham over the last couple of months.

Work on the embankment at the old railway viaduct entrance to the caravan park has been completed.

Work on the flood defences at the Methodist Church has now started, this includes creating a new access road and constructing new panel walls. Delivery of the first walls is due in September. Overall work is due to be completed this Autumn.

Area 1: Work has been completed on the United Utilities' sewer that runs along Broadgate up to Penwortham Old Bridge, close to the existing flood wall. Work was being carried out by our sub-contractor, who are lining and strengthening the existing sewer prior to work starting on the flood defences. This work is scheduled to be completed by mid-September.

Electricity North West will begin diverting cables once the sewer work is complete. This task should be finished by the end of October, which will then allow the main flood defence construction to begin.



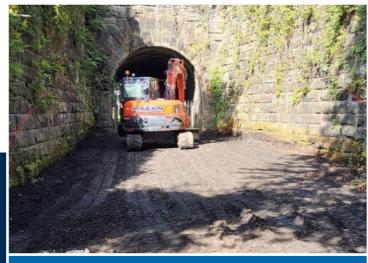
AREA 2: Lower Penwortham

A clay embankment has been constructed at the rear of St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School. Work was finished by the end of the summer holidays in time for the school reopening in September.

Finally, Electricity North West has been diverting a high voltage power cable along Leyland Road, Talbot Road and Margaret Road. It will then be 'tied in' at the West Coast main line railway embankment, over the river from The Continental. The work is scheduled to be completed in October. Following this work, United Utilities will undertake a small sewer diversion, and this will then allow the flood defence construction to progress along Riverside Road.



Lining the sewer along Broadgate



Clay embankment at St Mary Magdalen School



AREA 3, 4 & 5: Fishwick, Walton le Dale & Higher Walton

**Area 3, 4 & 5:** Site investigations and design work are planned to commence in Winter 2022. We will be excavating trial holes and sinking boreholes to inspect the ground conditions. The information gathered will help finalise the design.

Residents in areas three, four and five will receive invitations to attend community meetings, where they can provide feedback about the scheme, and find out more about the benefits and the temporary disruption the construction may cause.

All construction dates are subject to change. The schedule of work may be amended as circumstances arise.

Flood Scheme Works at
Penwortham Residential Caravan
Park Completed

A new ramp and footpath have been constructed between the existing Golden Way footpath and the Penwortham Residential Caravan Park.

The ramp was required following work to raise the ground level in the area and create an embankment under the old railway viaduct.

The embankment forms part of the new defences and will help protect residents from flooding.

Requirements for people with disabilities were taken into consideration during design and construction. The ramp is suitable for wheelchair users as well as children's pushchairs.

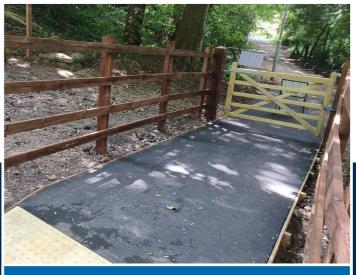
A tarmac footpath has been laid, and new fencing and a pedestrian gate have been installed.

Grass seed has been sown on either side of the footpath. The grass should establish over the coming months and soften the landscape.

Follow the flood scheme's progress on Twitter @EnvAgencyNW



Constructing an embankment at the old railway viaduct entrance to the caravan park



The completed footpath at the caravan park