

The Environment Agency is delivering a Flood Risk Management Scheme to better protect homes and businesses from flooding in the Kent Catchment and improve the local environment and community amenities. The construction of the scheme in Kendal is well underway, with construction now ready to start in the area of Gooseholme Common.

Overview

In preparation for construction of the flood defences in this area, a number of preparation activities have taken place, and will continue to take place in the coming weeks. The preparation works include service diversion works, environmental mitigation activities as well as developing traffic management plans that outline access arrangements for both the community and construction traffic.

To date, Cadent Gas have completed their service diversion and we have undertaken environmental surveys to monitor bird and bat activity in the immediate area. We are currently awaiting further information on delivery programmes for both ENWL and United Utilities diversions and as soon as we have any information in relation to these we will share this with you.

We plan from early July to prepare the site for the main construction work with the first activity to establish the site compound within an area of Gooseholme Common.

Once our site compound is established we can start construction of the new flood defences which will extend from Stramongate Bridge and tie into high ground where Castle Crescent meets Thorny Hills.



■ ■ ■ Extent of new flood wall

A couple of key features of the scheme will be a section of glass panelled flood wall to retain riverside views as well as a double leaf flood gate which will retain access to Gooseholme Common.

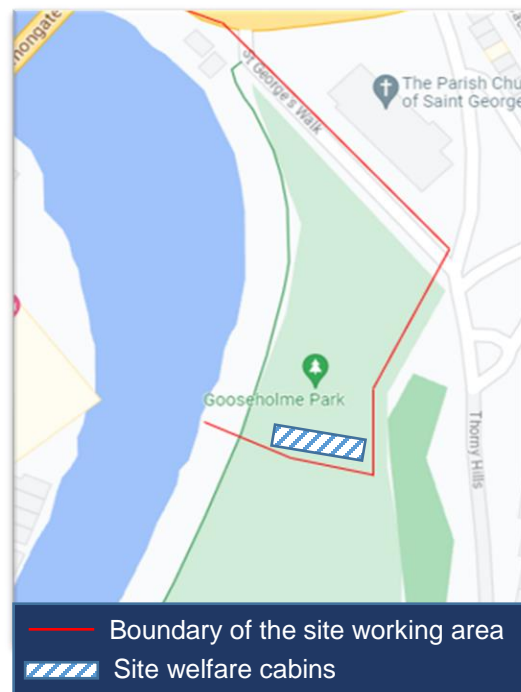


Visualisation showing glass panelled flood wall retaining riverside views

Site working area

We will look to establish and secure the working area on Gooseholme Common from the **3rd July**. The area with the red boundary (left) is the area that we intend to use as our site compound. All of our construction movements and materials will be contained within this area. The blue hatch space is where we will place our site welfare cabins.

From the 3rd July pedestrian and cycle access onto Gooseholme Common from St George's Walk will be restricted. St George's Walk will also be closed for both vehicle and pedestrian access. Diversions will be in place and access to Gooseholme Bridge will be maintained.

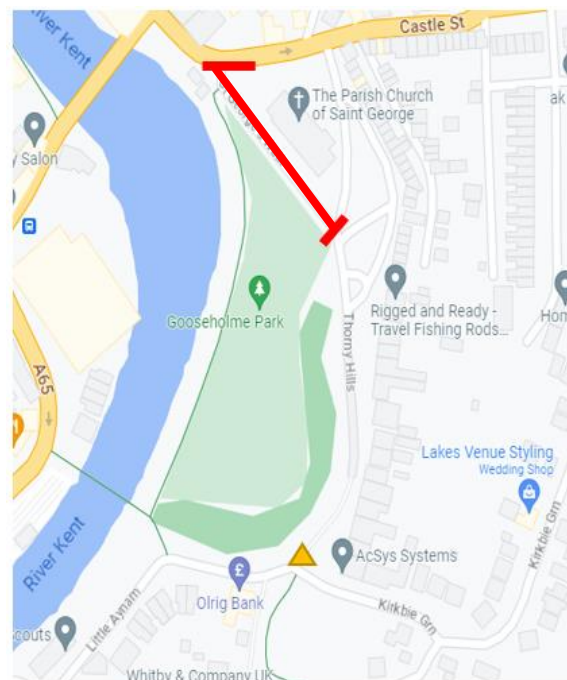


Traffic Management

From the 3rd July, St George's Walk will be closed. The extent of the closure is shown on the map in red. The closure is required as this will be our entrance point to our our compound area as well as our construction area whilst we build the flood wall along St George's Walk.

Currently access will be retained along Castle street for residents of Castle Crescent and Thorny Hills.

As we are currently working downstream at Little Aynam, the vehicle barrier at the bottom of Thorny Hills (marked on the plan as a yellow triangle) will remain in place. Once we are in a position to open the road at Little Aynam, we will consult residents of Thorny Hills as to which access arrangement will be most preferable.



Community Drop in

We are hosting two community drop-in sessions on the 22nd and 27th June at the Flood Scheme Information Hub located on Little Aynam, Kendal. If you would like to come and speak to us about the scheme and particularly about the works scheduled at Goosholme, please come and see us between 10am and 7pm on those days.

Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme



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