



NEWS

[£25 million for projects using nature to increase flood resilience](#)

[Cheshire East Council proposes to mitigate flood risk with new planning guidance](#)

[United Utilities say a big thank you to Leigh's block-busters](#)

[The Met Office Storm Names for 2023/24 have been announced](#)

[Peatlands set to be restored to help tackle climate change](#)

[United Utilities helps allotment holders in Ramsbottom](#)

[The Flood Hub volunteer with South Cumbria Rivers Trust and Natural England on their Leaky Dam Creation](#)

[Beaver-like dams can protect communities from flooding](#)

[United Utilities helps North West's Growers save water and boost crops in National Allotments Week](#)

[United Utilities offers residents in Wrea Green a free smart water butt](#)

[Record breaking 2022 indicative of future UK climate](#)

[Nature recovery projects to boost wildlife and access to nature](#)

[Dam good news for Cheshire's beaver family](#)

[Transforming how water is managed in Greater Manchester](#)

The Flood Hub has joined LinkedIn! Follow us '@TheFloodHub', to see updates, new resources, case studies and more!

EVENTS

Numerous dates and locations: **Cumbria Wildlife Trust: [Wildflower plug planting](#)**

05.11.2023: Lancashire Wildlife Trust: [Fylde Sand Dunes Guided Walk](#)

09.11.2023 & 10.11.2023: Ambleside and District Farmer's Discussion Group: [Weatherproof Farming: How to Become Resilient to Flooding and Drought](#)

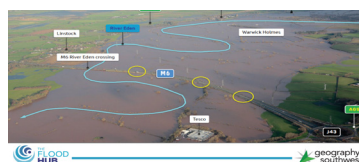
03.12.2023: Lancashire Wildlife Trust: [Fylde Sand Dunes Guided Walk](#)

For more information on other events taking place in the North West, [please click here.](#)

NEW CONTENT ADDED TO THE FLOOD HUB

River Flood Management GCSE case study: Low Crosby, Cumbria

The Flood Hub, Geography South West and the Environment Agency have worked in collaboration to produce a case study targeted at GCSE level, focusing on flood management at Low Crosby, Cumbria. It provides an introductory overview of the area, a look at the effect of Storm Desmond on Low Crosby, the factors that contribute to flood risk and finally, the Flood Risk Management Scheme. The case study comprises of PowerPoint presentations and student worksheets which make extensive use of photos and OS map extracts.



[Click here to view and download the case study](#)

FLOOD SCHEME UPDATES

PROPOSED FLOOD SCHEMES

These schemes are currently still in the appraisal stage meaning funding has not been secured. There is therefore no guarantee that they will secure funding and progress to a completed flood scheme.

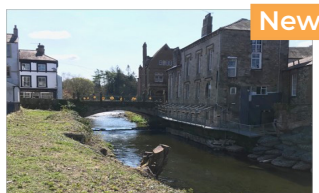
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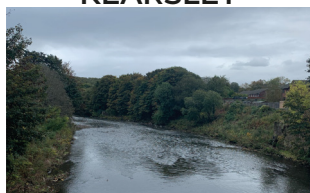
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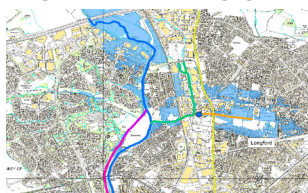
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CHATTERTON**



**RIVER IRWELL AT
KEARSLEY**



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For information on how Flood Risk Management Schemes are funded and delivered, please [click here](#).

IN PROGRESS FLOOD SCHEMES

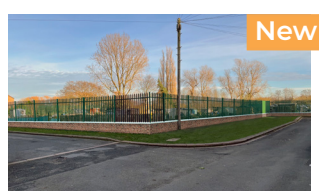
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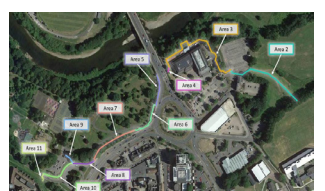
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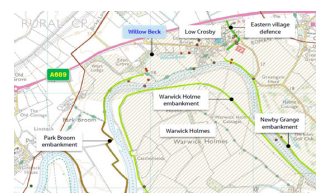
HAMBLETON



KENDAL



LOW CROSBY



PADIHAM



**PENKETH AND
WHITTLE**



**PRESTON AND
SOUTH RIBBLE**



**RADCLIFFE AND
REDVALES**



**ROCHDALE AND
LITTLEBOROUGH**



UPPER KENT



WEST KIRBY



FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME DOWNLOADS

- [Appleby Flood Risk Management Scheme Newsletter](#) - August 2023
- [Carlisle Phase 1B Flood Risk Management Scheme Newsletter](#) - August 2023
- [Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme - Sand Aire House and Lambrigg Terrace Scheme Completion](#) - August 2023
- [Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme - Aynam Road and Waterside construction update](#) - August 2023
- [Sankey Brook Flood Risk Management Scheme Newsletter](#) - July 2023

For information and downloads on the completed flood risk management schemes in the North West, please [click here](#).

FUTURE FLOOD HUB CAMPAIGNS

October:
Coastal Focus Week

November:
The Flood Hub's 5th birthday
Who plays a part in managing flood risk?

December:
Community Focus Week
Christmas Key Messages

You can follow these campaigns on our [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) accounts.

Did you know the Newground Flood Team can provide support to individuals, businesses and communities at risk of flooding? [Click here](#) for more information.



TOP TIP

As we enter the autumn months, it is important to be aware that there is an increased risk of surface water drains becoming blocked with fallen leaves. This increases the likelihood of surface water flooding. Whilst your highways authority have the responsibility to clear drains and gullies, a cleared drain could be blocked again in a matter of hours.

Therefore, if it's just surface leaves on the grating, and it's safe to do so, scraping them off and to the side of the grating with your shoe (beneath the grating if on a slope) will have a massive benefit. Be careful not to push them out into the street within the line of cyclists or move them onto the pavement where they can become slippery and hazardous to pedestrians.

Read our blog for more information: www.thefloodhub.co.uk/blog-how-to-reduce-flood-risk-from-autumn-leaves/



NEWGROUND FLOOD TEAM UPDATE

1ST JULY - 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

188

INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED

2

ENGAGEMENT
EVENTS ATTENDED

53

DIRECT ENQUIRIES
TO THE FLOOD HUB

12

ELECTED MEMBERS
SUPPORTED

25

PARTNERSHIP
MEETINGS
ATTENDED

3

FLOOD GROUP
MEETINGS
ATTENDED

4

COMMUNITY DOOR-
KNOCKING EXERCISES IN
PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Throughout July, August, and September, the Newground flood team has engaged with around 200 residents and attended several meetings with strategic flood partnerships, local authorities, and Lead Local Flood Authorities. The team has also been busy working in partnership with the Environment Agency and other Risk Management Authorities in delivering direct door-step engagement initiatives, promoting key messages around flood resilience, planning and preparedness to communities within Lancashire and Cumbria.

In addition to attending community led site walkovers and providing ongoing support to flood groups, elected members and parish councils, the team has also provided valuable support, advice and guidance to residents across the North West via the many enquires which come through via The Flood Hub website each month.

Follow the Newground Flood Team on X, formerly known as Twitter:

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FEATURED BLOG

Storm Names 2023/24



Written by a member of the Newground Flood Team, this blog highlights the storm names that have been chosen for 2023/2024 by the Met Office in collaboration with Met Éireann (the meteorological service in Ireland) and the KNMI (the Dutch national weather service). It also looks at the practice of naming storms as well as the more notable storms and their impacts from recent years.

[Click here to read the blog](#)

USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

Sign up for flood warnings:

- Environment Agency Floodline: **0345 988 1188**
- <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

Reporting flooding:

- Environment Agency Incident Hotline: **0800 80 70 60**
- United Utilities: **0345 672 3723**
- Lead Local Flood Authority: This will either be the District Council, provided it is a Unitary Authority, or the County Council. [Find your local council here.](#)

KNOWLEDGE HUB

[A Guide to Forming a Flood Group](#)

If you are thinking of starting a flood group in your local area, this guide is for you! It looks at what a flood group is and how they form and operate, together with some points for consideration which you may find useful.

3 Resources **1** Blog

To view them, visit our 'Knowledge Hub' [here](#).



www.thefloodhub.co.uk

The Flood Hub website is funded by the North West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee and is a joint initiative developed by the Environment Agency, United Utilities, Newground, and the Cumbria, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside and Cheshire Strategic Flood Partnerships.