



### **Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme Key Facts**

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. Kendal is the first area being delivered, followed by a proposed scheme for Burneside, Staveley and Ings, and upstream measures including flood storage and Natural Flood Management. Here is a snapshot of some of those benefits being delivered;

# Providing flood protection and better community amenities











## Providing economic stability and growth



Investment in Kent catchment



Money saved from future flood damages



European Union
European Regional
Development Fund

Secured to protect commercial areas from

### 2257 Busines

Businesses better protected including transport and communication infrastructure



To the local economy

## Protecting and enhancing the local environment





Hectares of habitat & recreational space improved



Natural Flood Management Projects underway



Hectares of peatland restored in the Upper Kent storing and slowing the flow



Bird and bat boxes installed









#### Scheme key facts



A proposed phased scheme to Include a combination of linear defences, improved pumping and conveyance, upstream storage and complementary Natural Flood Management



Planning application approved unanimously by SLDC Planning Committee in June 2019 to deliver phase one through Kendal.



Homes and businesses in Kendal in some locations currently have a less than 1 in 5 year standard of protection that is more than a 20% chance of flooding in any given year.



Once all phases of the scheme are complete, Kendal, Burneside, Staveley and Ings will have reduced flood risk. This includes 1921 homes and 2257 business better protected.



Once all phases are complete, there will be increased resilience of roads and bridges as the upstream storage elements allow water levels to be controlled through the town.



To minimise disprution in Kendal we will deliver our works in small sections we term as 'reaches'. This ensures we keep all localised disruption to a minimum.



Our traffic management plans will ensure our works cause minimum disruption to traffic movement through around the town.

For more information on the design and benefits of the scheme visit

www.thefloodhub.co.uk/kendal www.thefloodhub.co.uk/upperkent

#### Kendal Scheme benefits



6km of defences through the town using a combination of walls finished mainly in local stone, grass embankments and integrated sections of glass panels. With more than half of the defences set back from the riverside, access to existing open space and



We will be planting at least 4500 trees through the town of a variety of species. Larger, semi-mature trees will be planted in places that are accessed the most. This is following a maximum of 545 trees in the town requiring removal but we are working hard to reduce this number during detailed design.



We will deliver 55 hectares of improved habitat for wildlife and recreational space for the community in two areas in Kendal and in the Upper Kent catchment.



We will be undertaking minimal in river works during construction as the majority of our defences are set back from the rivers edge. This means our works will have little to no impact on the existing river environment.



We are supporting the delivery of up to 3km of new and improved riverside footpaths and exploring the oportunity for a futher 6km of newly connected walking trails in the town.



The scheme is the stepping stone to delivering a wider programme of enhancements to the town. Working in partnership we will support other potential improvements to the area for the benefit of the local community and visitors to the town.

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