# Continuing investment in our community

## AREA 3 & 4: FRENCHWOOD & WALTON-LE-DALE



Good progress has been made on collecting survey data and developing the detailed design for the improvements to existing flood defences in Areas 3 and 4. In some areas we will be undertaking additional maintenance to the existing defences. We will hold consultations with the community prior to submitting a planning application in Spring 2025.

# Tree Planting at Fishwick Bottoms

In Autumn 2024, we will be planting trees at Fishwick Bottoms. We're undertaking this work in partnership with Preston City Council and Ribble Rivers Trust. Over 8,000 trees will be planted along the river bank which will contribute to a greener and more resilient environment, benefiting nature and reducing the risk of flooding. We have received Water Environment Improvement Fund (WEIF) funding to help us deliver these works.



### Free Dial-a-Ride Service

Due to the temporary closure of the bus stop on Broadgate necessitated by our works, we have teamed up with Preston Community Transport to provide a free Dial-a-Ride service for elderly or disabled residents within the Flood Scheme area.

The service will provide transport from your home to Morrisons' supermarket or into the city centre.

#### Call 01772 204667 Option 2 to make a booking.

You need to provide a minimum of 48 hours' notice.

Reinstatement of the full 119 Broadgate bus route, which goes along South Meadow Lane, Wolseley Road and into Broadgate, is expected later this year.

## **Issues with Cyclists**

We are aware there is an issue with cyclists ignoring signage requesting they dismount on Riverside.

We are working with Lancashire Police's PCSO team and Preston City Council to communicate the need for cyclists to either dismount or use the diversion along South Meadow Lane and Andy's Bee Meadow, and to have consideration for pedestrians' safety.

Extra signage has been ordered and we have been assured the PCSO team will be patrolling the area.

email: psr@environment-agency.gov.uk

website: www.thefloodhub.co.uk/psr

visit:

write: **PSO Team, Lutra House, Dodd Way (off Seedlee Road), Preston, PR5 8BX** 

Information Hub at BAC/EE Social & Sports Association off South Meadow Lane, Broadgate, Preston, PR1 8JP

Open Wednesdays & Thursdays 10am-3pm



**AUTUMN 2024** 

# PRESTON & SOUTH RIBBLE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME

# NEWSLETTER

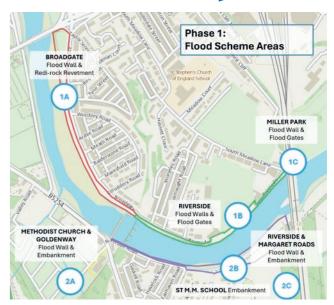


## **More Construction Milestones Completed**

Good progress has continued to be made in Areas 1&2 of the Preston & South Ribble Flood Risk Management Scheme over the summer.

Construction has progressed along Riverside (Area 1B), at the entrance to Miller Park (Area 1C) and along Riverside Road (Area 2B) and Ribble Sidings (Area 2C).

We would like to thank local residents of Broadgate and Riverside, and in Lower Penwortham for their patience while works are ongoing.



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	Piling Works	COMPLETE	T to	Leyland Road - Electricity Cable Diversion	COMPLETE
	Flood Wall Construction	COMPLETE		Penwortham Methodist Church & Allotments - Flood Wall	COMPLETE
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	Construction at Miller Garden Apt	Ongoing	REA	Piling Works	COMPLETE
	Construction at Miller Park Entrance	Ongoing	<b>■</b> ₹	Flood Wall Construction	Ongoing
				Ribble Siding Wetland	Starting soon
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## Flood Scheme Area Updates

# **AREA 1: BROADGATE & RIVERSIDE**



**BROADGATE GARDENS** The turf laid at Broadgate Gardens has flourished over the summer months and an information board has been installed. We are planning to replace the damaged trees in Autumn and plant the bulbs for next Spring.



#### **AREA 1B: RIVERSIDE**

Concrete artist, Aidan Douglas, has been working on the finish to the concrete flood wall here, which will help it blend in with the gas pipe bridge and Penwortham Old Bridge.

Aidan uses polymer modified mortar to replicate natural elements such as stone and rock. The technique is generally used in leisure attractions such as zoos and theme parks, but is also used to replicate and enhance architectural schemes.

Various techniques are used to manipulate and carve the mortar before it sets to achieve the desired look. He then uses colouring techniques to age and weather the concrete to give a natural looking finish.

Along much of Riverside we have continued to experience challenges which has resulted in delays to our construction programme. We will only be able to reopen the road once construction works are complete. The section of Riverside from the gas pipe bridge to

South End is expected to be open by December 2024. Currently we are placing rock bags. Completion of the rest of the works along Riverside will follow. We will continue to provide you with updates on these future works.

If you are a local resident and have access requirements (for example, if you need to arrange a delivery), please contact our team for assistance using the contact details overleaf.

We want to thank the residents in the area for their continued patience whilst we completed these essential works.





#### **AREA 1C: MILLER PARK**

The first of the two floodgates at the park entrance has been installed and concrete art similar to that by the gas pipe bridge on Riverside has tied the flood wall into the existing West Coast Mainline railway bridge.



# **AREA 2B:** RIVERSIDE ROAD







All of the old flood wall has now been removed, and temporary flood defences are being provided by the steel sheet piles and the 'bulk bags' stored nearby. The 'bulk bags' can be moved into position in the event of a flood warning.

The construction of the new wall has begun and is making good progress. Construction works are expected to be completed in December 2024. Once all works are complete the road will be reopened.

We are aware that during August graffiti appeared on some of the new wall panels on Riverside Road. Antigraffiti coating is applied to all of the flood wall panels before the areas are reopened to the public. The coating protects the concrete panels from damage that graffiti and its removal can cause.

#### **AREA 2C: RIBBLE SIDINGS**

Work on the new wetlands at Ribble Sidings, off Margaret Road, has just started and is due to finish in December. We'll be removing the site cabins and compound soon. As well as the wetland, the area will be planted with new trees, grasses and wildflowers.

South Ribble Borough Council will be refurbishing the adjacent children's play area.



