

Quarterly Newsletter

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NEWS

Cumberland Council advances flood relief plans for Millom

<u>United Utilities set to create 30m deep</u> <u>storm tank to ease flooding and reduce</u> <u>spills</u>

England's warmest June on record and the UK's second warmest since 1884

<u>United Utilities teams up with Deysbrook</u> <u>residents and flood action group to manage</u> <u>rainwater in the community</u>

<u>48M investment at Lancaster Wastewater</u> <u>Treatment Works to improve Morecambe</u> <u>Bay gets underway</u>

<u>New drainage standards tackle pollution in</u> <u>England's communities</u>

<u>Hundreds of thousands of homes and</u> <u>businesses to benefit from largest flood</u> <u>defence investment programme in history</u>

How restoring rivers' natural curves can prevent flooding

<u>Reforms to bolster flood protection for</u> <u>communities across the country</u>

Double record breaker: Spring 2025 is warmest and sunniest on UK record

<u>Covernment Taskforce meets on Merseyside</u> to bolster nation's flood resilience

Rapid Flood Guidance 2025 service: get ready now

NEW CONTENT ADDED TO THE FLOOD HUB

- Blog: How Your Garden Can Help
 Manage Flood Risk
- Property Flood Resilience Animations
- North West RFCC Business Plan Projects
- Updated Local Area Map
- Flood Poverty Project
- Outdoor Learning Activities
- Updated Glossary Terms

FUTURE FLOOD HUB FOCUS WEEKS

August: Exploring the Learning Section KS2-KS4 lessons, GCSE case studies & Storm Top Trumps on flooding and climate.

September: Storms

A look back at last year's major storms and a preview of the Met Office's storm names for the year ahead.

September: Coastal Adaption

Sharing how communities adapt to coastal flooding and climate change.

You can follow these campaigns on our social media channels <u>X</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>. We're also now on <u>Bluesky</u>!

In addition to our focus weeks, we share daily flood-related content on our social media channels, providing tips and advice on how to plan and prepare for potential flooding.

FEATURED BLOG: HOW YOUR GARDEN CAN HELP MANAGE FLOOD RISK

Explore how gardens help manage flood risk by absorbing rainwater and easing pressure on drains. Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) like rain gardens, permeable paving, and water butts slow surface water runoff, reducing localised flooding. These features improve drainage, boost biodiversity, and create greener, more climate-resilient outdoor spaces. Using SuDS in gardens is a practical way to protect your property and the environment during heavy rainfall.

<u>Click here to read more.</u>

FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEMES

To view the Flood Risk Management scheme pages, click the images below.

PROPOSED FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT 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. Click on the images below to view the scheme pages:



CALDEW, CARLISLE

COCKERMOUTH

FLEETWOOD



HAMBLETON



WHALLEY AND BILLINGTON









IN PROGRESS FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEMES

APPLEBY



PADIHAM



ROCHDALE AND LITTLEBOROUGH



CARLISLE PHASE 1B



PENKETH AND WHITTLE



UPPER KENT



CARLISLE PHASE 2

PRESTON AND

SOUTH RIBBLE

KENDAL



RADCLIFFE AND REDVALES



FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEMES

UPDATES

- <u>Kendal Gooseholme Weekly Update</u> June 2025
- Kendal New Road Common Completion June 2025
- Kendal Waterside Update June 2025
- Sankey Brook Update June 2025
- <u>Kendal Young Spring Update</u> May 2025
- <u>Rochdale Phase 2 Newsletter</u> May 2025
- Hambleton Newsletter Spring 2025
- Preston and South Ribble Newsletter Spring 2025
- Padiham Newsletter April 2025
- Kendal Natland Beck Survey Work April 2025

For information and downloads on the flood risk management schemes in the North West, please <u>click here</u>.

LOCAL AREA MAP

Explore our recently updated interactive Local Area Map to see what's happening near you. You can search by category, including Community Groups, Natural Flood Management schemes, Property Flood Resilience, Sustainable Drainage Systems, and Flood Schemes. Click here to visit the local area map



THE FLOOD HUB LEARNING SECTION

Our Learning Section includes an 8-lesson KS3 Weather and Climate, a 10-lesson KS2 Flooding, and a 4-lesson KS2 Climate Change. Each one comes with PowerPoints, worksheets and teacher notes to make teaching easier. Other resources include a GCSE case study on Storm Babet, a River Flood Management case study on Low Crosby, and the Storms Top Trumps Game **To explore the Learning section, click here.**



FLOOD SAFETY PAGE

Our new Flood Safety page, now available from the homepage, offers guidance on staying safe during and after a flood. It covers key steps to protect yourself from hazards in rising floodwaters, and advice on what to do once the water recedes. From avoiding hidden dangers to looking after your health and home during recovery, this page helps you be prepared for all stages of flooding.

Click here to visit our flood safety page.



ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Throughout April, May and June the team have been busy supporting events, partner agencies, residents and flood groups across the region.

The team have attended partnership meetings and supported the Environment Agency with the delivery of several community flood drop-in sessions at Warrington and Stockport in Greater Manchester, engaging with flooded residents and advising on flood recovery, insurance, and property flood resilience (PFR).

These events were very busy and provide the opportunity to engage with a range of people including, councillors and homeowners who have experienced both internal flooding and near misses. The team have also undertaken property visits with residents as a result of follow up support from the drop-in sessions, advising on PFR measures and progression, as well as general flood resilience advice and support.

In addition, the team have been attending flood group meetings and supporting recently established flood groups in Wigan, Greater Manchester and West Derby in Liverpool, as well as supporting an already established flood group in Whitworth, Rossendale.







THE FLOOD HUB







INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED/SUPPORTED



DIRECT ENOURIES TO



FLOOD GROUPS



ELECTED MEMBERS ENGAGED/SUPPORTED ENGAGED/SUPPORTED

Did you know the Newground Flood Team can provide support to individuals, businesses and communities at risk of flooding?

To find out more about the work the Newground Flood Team do, visit the website here: www.thefloodhub.co.uk/about-newground

Email: hello@thefloodhub.co.uk



GLOSSARY UPDATE

Our glossary has been updated and expanded to include a range of new terms covering flooding, climate change, weather and more. It's a useful resource for anyone wanting to understand key terms and concepts.

<u>Click here</u> to visit our glossary

USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

SIGN UP FOR FLOOD WARNINGS

- Environment Agency Floodline: 0345 988 1188
- Click here to 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 be the District Council if it is a Unitary Authority, or the County Council. Find your local council here.

KNOWLEDGE HUB

Our Knowledge Hub contains lots of useful flood related resources. which are freely available to download. To view all the latest additions, please click here.

HOUSEHOLD FLOOD PLANNING TOOLKIT

Our Household Flood Planning Toolkit is ideal for those in flood risk areas. It includes a step-by-step flood plan, insurance advice, warning triggers, and blogs. All downloadable to support household preparedness.



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