

Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme

Reducing flood risk in your community


Waterside progress as of 11th August 2025

The piling works and insertion of king posts at the top of the river near waterside café have progressed well, the structure of the new flood wall is now being constructed.

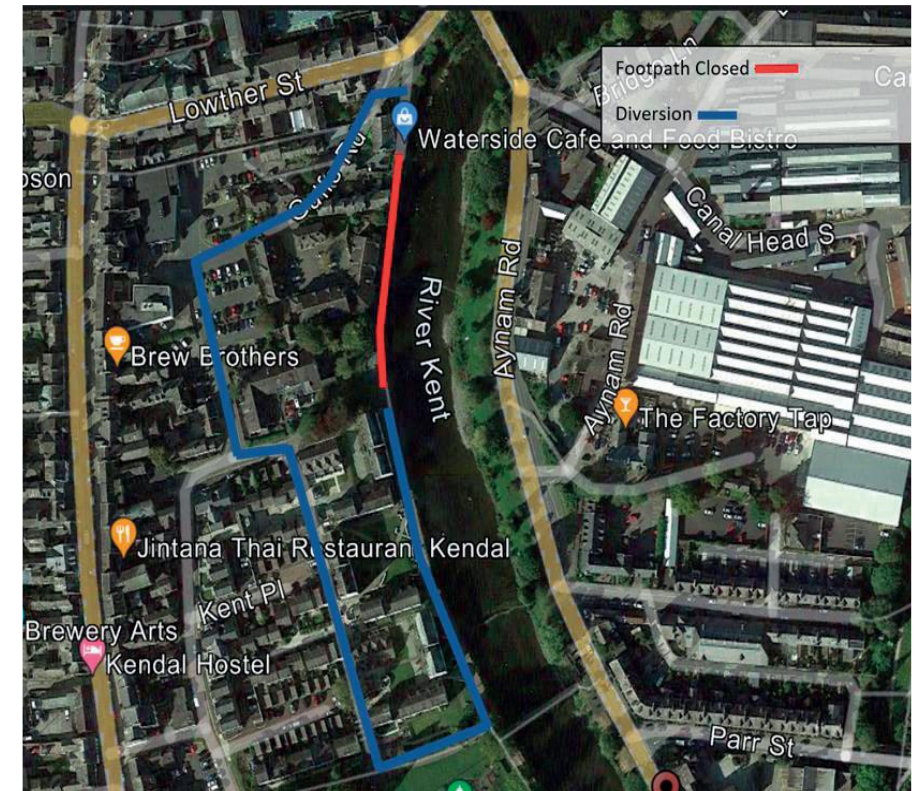
Further down stream outside Edgecombe Court the legato blocks are being removed allowing the remedial works to the existing river wall, these works will include working Saturdays over the next few weeks in preparation to re commence the piling.

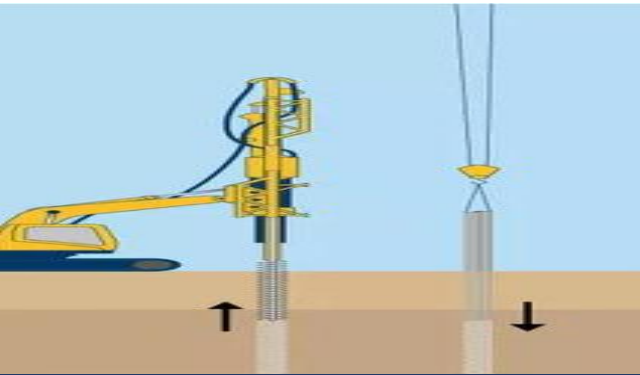


Footpath diversion

For public safety, this stretch of footpath will be closed during the works. 

Footpath diversions will be in place. 





Piling and inserting kingposts



Inserting of king posts at Waterside



Ariel view of the floating bridge and working platform

What are we doing?

The piling works outside Waterside café has been completed with the king posts being inserted and the first part of the wall has been cast. The shuttering is being placed in the next stage allowing the concrete for next section to be poured. As we move down stream towards Edgecombe Court the existing wall will need remedial works of repair to enable the piling to continue. The remedial work will be completed by the end of the week, including working Saturdays and once completed the piling for the remainder of the wall will continue.

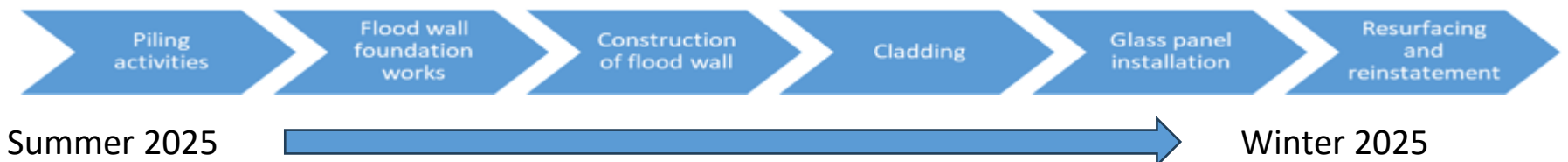
We are constantly reviewing noise and vibration data and undertaking visual and structural surveys within the vicinity of the works. Frequent water sampling in the river ensures levels of silt are kept to a minimum to protect fish and wildlife.

The construction works is a collaboration with the Environment Agency, WSP design team, VolkerStevin delivery contractor, VGE, and Kellers, the piling specialists.

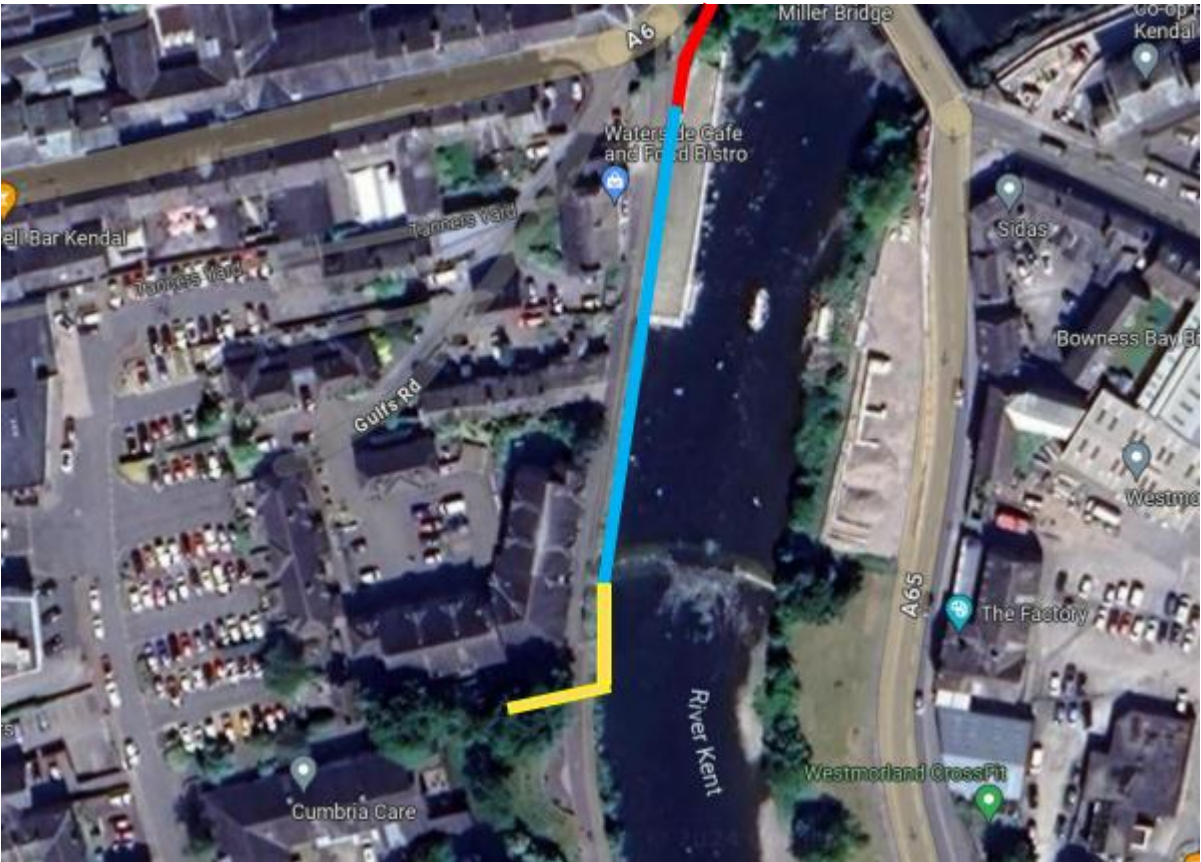
The next steps will include;

- King posts will be placed into the pile holes working from Waterside Café down towards Edgecombe Court.
- Pouring the concrete foundations to start the construction of the flood wall
- Flood wall to be cladded in locally sourced natural stone
- Glass panels to be installed on top of the flood wall.
- Noise and vibration will be constantly monitored during the construction activities
- Footpath closure will remain in the vicinity of the works during construction

Programmed activities



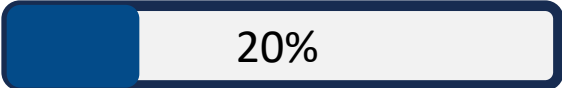
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Waterside Café area



Central Waterside



Edgecombe Court area



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Protecting the Environment

An Independent Ecological Clerk of Works will monitor all activities and will have a regular presence on site over the coming months. This is an important role that oversees all site preparation and construction works associated with biodiversity. This is to ensure safe working, and protection of the local environment is undertaken in accordance with legislation and best practice.

Pre-construction surveys have been carried out and include, but are not limited to; otters, breeding birds, invasive non-native species, trees and white-clawed crayfish as well as many other species such as salmon. Spawning grounds are known and monitored in respect of salmon and trout on all rivers and tributaries within the Kent catchment.

Full consideration has been given to the in-river working platform and bank stabilisation bags. Consent has been granted for these works to be undertaken and will be monitored by our Independent Environmental Clerk of Works.

All our activities around, or near European Protected Species are carried out under licence, and we will put in place measures to mitigate against impacts from any of our works. We will install environmental monitoring which will monitor noise, vibration and vehicle movements in sensitive locations so we can take further measures to mitigate against any risk of environmental harm.



White Clawed Crayfish



Otter



Kingfisher

