

Kendal Flood Risk Management Scheme

Reducing flood risk in your community

Waterside progress for 3rd November 2025



Waterside Update:

The flood wall construction works continue to progress well with the cladding works marking a significant visual milestone. The next stage of works will be to complete the final wall pour and cladding. In addition, work will be starting to agree the reinstatement of the Washing Steps, a key heritage feature in this location of the riverside



Washing steps, a heritage feature of the riverside which will be reinstated

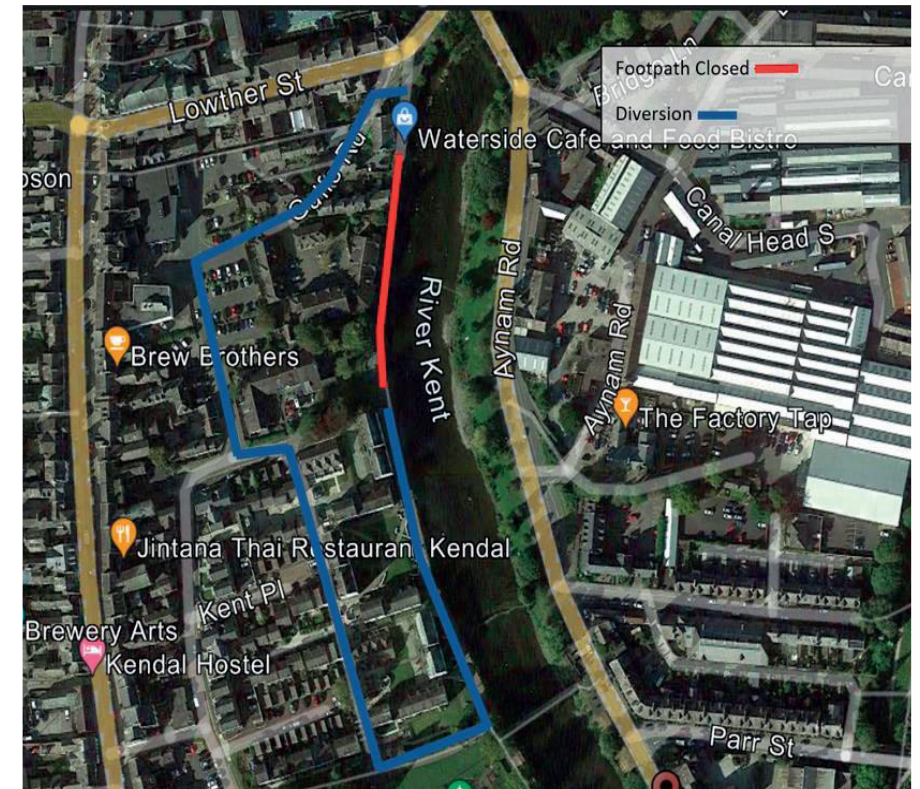


Waterside working platform showing the new concrete flood defence wall being clad – the king posts being inserted downstream prepare for the final stages of the flood wall construction.

Footpath diversion

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

Footpath diversions will be in place.



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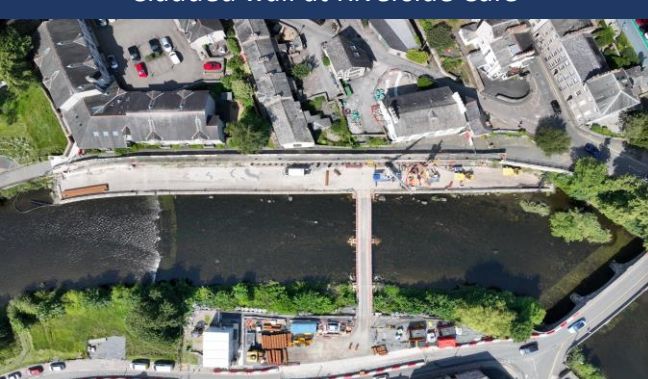




Working Platform view from Edgecombe Court



Cladded wall at Riverside Cafe



Aerial view of Waterside

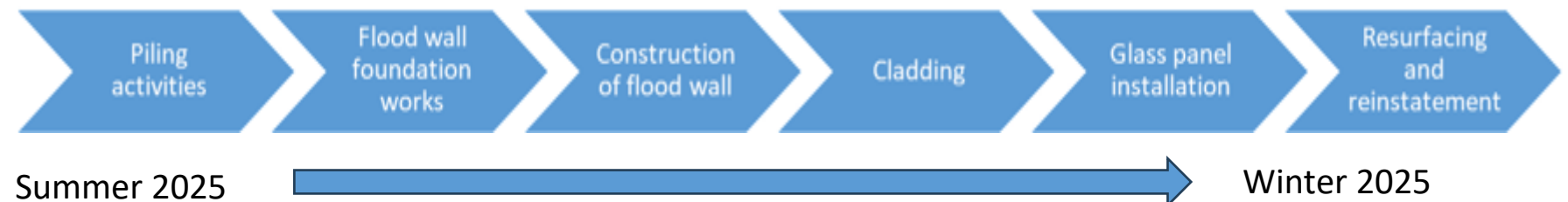
What are we doing?

- All piling works have been successfully completed with works to construct the flood wall now being the focus.
- Cladding works are progressing well and will continue to follow the construction of the flood walls which are being constructed using shuttering filled with concrete.
- Frequent water sampling is being carried out in the river to keep silt levels low, helping to protect fish and local wildlife.

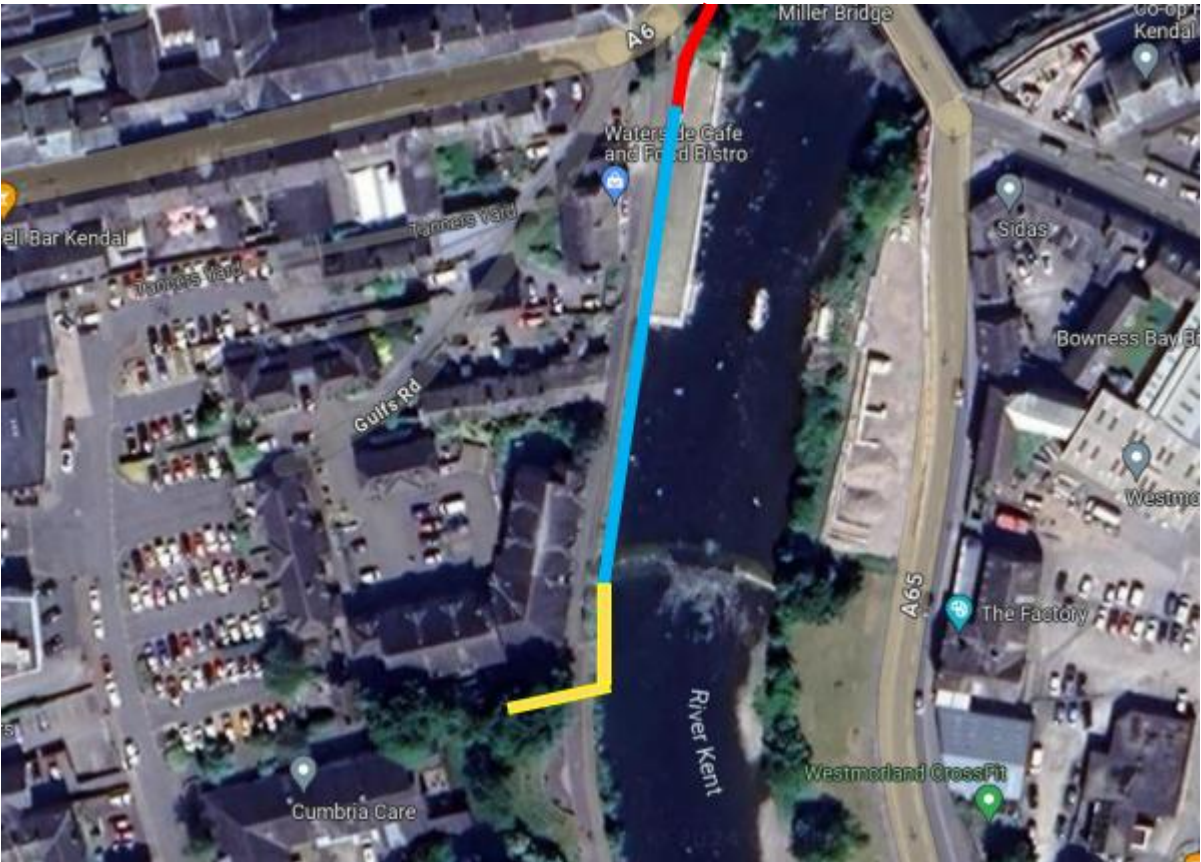
The next steps will include;

- Undertaking the final pouring of concrete in the Edgecombe Court end. This will complete the main structure of the flood wall which will then be clad in natural stone.
- Once the flood wall is constructed, glass panels will be installed along the entirety to retain riverside views starting in early December.
- Noise and vibration will be constantly monitored during the construction activities.
- We are working towards reopening the footpath for Mountain Festival weekend 20th – 23rd November. Following the festival the footpath closure will be put back in place as we prepare for the glass panel installation.

Programmed activities



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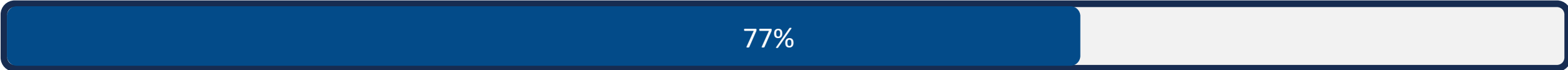
Waterside Café area



Central Waterside



Edgcombe 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

