

Coastal Flooding Emergency Plan

Objective

To co-ordinate a community response prior to, during and following coastal flooding

Framework

The at risk area of the community has been divided into 4 co-terminus sectors. These being mid Sandside, lower Sandside, Askew Gate / Westview and Headcrag.

Each sector has 2 wardens who will co-ordinate responses in their given localities and link with and support wardens in the other 3 sectors

Role of Wardens

1. To ensure residents receive up to date accurate flooding information
2. To encourage safety awareness among residents and visiting non-residents
3. To support absent residents and the less able to erect appropriate flood resilience measures (if so requested)
4. To appraise new residents of flood prevention schemes
5. To assist in the effective relocation of vehicles during at risk periods
6. To liaise with external agencies where appropriate
7. To co-ordinate any necessary clean up and / or post flooding remedial work with affected residents and outside agencies

Wardens:

Sector	Warden 1	Tel. No	Warden 2	Tel. No
Mid Sandside	Rick Shaw	889 624	Brian Pickthall	889 552
Lower Sandside	Colin Charlton	889 120	Gill Lockett	889 114
Askew Gate /Westview	John Woodward	889 519	Jolyon Todd	889 106
Headcragg	Robin Cornah	889 978		

Information Cascade

On receipt of the Environment Agency flood warning, wardens will contact colleagues in other sectors to ensure warning has reached all potentially affected residents

Further Communication

Each pair of wardens will establish walkie - talkie contact with the other 3 teams to facilitate effective communication throughout tidal surge period

Vehicles

Residents and non residents will be advised to move their vehicle from at risk areas having consideration to other residents and access for emergency vehicles. Vehicles of station users to have notices placed on windscreens apropos impending flooding (should sufficient warning be given)

Emergency Lighting

To be erected near to station gates. Each residence to be asked to leave downstairs lighting and outside lighting on during at risk periods

Flood Resilience Measures

Wardens to check individual measures are in place and (if appropriate) advise and support residents who have been able to erect their flood defences

During Flooding

Wardens to patrol at risk areas and ensure those residents and non residents in vicinity of flooding are appraised of danger

Following Flooding

1. Wardens to meet as a team and assess damage/health risk to property and surrounding area, in doing so:
2. Assist in the removal of damaged furniture carpets etc
3. Contact relevant agencies/ organisations re: damage to roads / walls/ drains etc.
4. Assist affected residents in disinfecting and installing driers in their property
5. Appraise efficiency of flood resilience measures in individual properties and subsequently liaise with the Environment Agency.