

BRUNTON PARK FLOOD ALLEVIATION

PROGRESS UPDATE

Tuesday 10 May 2016 marked a key milestone in the project with the successful turning of flows into the new Ouseburn channel. With the new channel now in operation, we are progressing with the completion of the flood embankment including filling the old channel at both ends of the diversion. We saw an increase in construction traffic over a three day period when we brought additional clay to site, however, we now have sufficient material on site to complete the construction of the flood embankment.

Excavation of the SuDs storage basin will begin on Monday 4 July 2016 and will take up to four weeks to complete. During this period, there will be a further noticeable increase in construction traffic while we remove the excavated material.

Newcastle City Council has appointed a contractor to carry out the construction of the new play park on Lincoln Green. Work will begin on Monday 6 June 2016 and will take up to five weeks to complete. The temporary compound hoarding will be removed in time to open the play park ready for the start of the school summer break. The final reinstatement of Lincoln Green will follow completion of our works.

With the majority of the estate's surface water (from roofs, roads and drives) now discharging to the old Ouseburn channel, we have found trace evidence of wastewater, such as washing machines, dishwashers, toilets, baths, showers and sinks in our surface water system due to misconnections. This occurs when pipes carrying wastewater are connected to surface water sewers accidentally. This is having a damaging impact on the water quality within the SuDs storage channel and it is vital that we carry out detailed drainage surveys of individual properties as quickly as possible.

Our experienced survey team will be working within the estate over the coming weeks to inspect our sewerage system and carrying out free drainage surveys on properties in targeted areas.

Our programme for the remaining construction activities is set out below;

Activity	Start Date (2016)	End Date (2016)
Complete construction of flood defence embankments	6 May	8 July
Divert and install surface water pipe work and outfalls	17 May	16 June
Remove temporary bridge at Fairway Close	16 May	16 May
Complete flood defence walls around the communal garden and The Fairway	6 June	1 July
Excavate sustainable urban drainage storage basin	4 July	29 July
Play park reinstatement	6 June	22 July
Landscape and reinstate golf course area	27 July	3 August
Remove compound and reinstate Lincoln Green	21 July	12 August
Permanent reinstatement of Fairway Close and Princes Road	1 August	12 August

CONTACT US

Northumbrian Water

In the event of further flooding, or if you experience flooding for the first time, please report the incident by calling the freephone floodline on 0800 328 7648.

If you require further information or advice please contact our Customer Centre on 0345 717 1100 or log onto www.bruntonparkfloodalleviation.co.uk.

You can also follow us on twitter @nwater_care and @NorthumbrianH2O.

The Environment Agency

A free flood warning service is provided for areas at risk of flooding from rivers and the sea. You can receive warnings by phone, email, text or fax.

To sign up for the Flood Warnings Direct service, visit their website or call their Floodline on 0345 988 1188.

To contact the Environment Agency please call 03708 506 506 or log onto www.gov.uk/environment-agency.

Newcastle City Council

To report any flooding incident, including highway flooding and blocked drains or gullies, please call Envirocall on 0191 274 4000. You can also log onto their website at www.newcastle.gov.uk/environment/environment/floodmanagement.