## The Environment Agency offers online consultation on next phase of the £25m Carlisle flood risk management scheme

Press release

Business owners and residents are invited to have their say on the proposed works for Phase two of the scheme as part of this consultation.



- Works on Phase two will see over 80 properties and key infrastructure protected, such as the Sands Centre.
- Phase one works are ongoing and will improve protection to 1279 homes and 107 businesses.

Carlisle residents are invited to share their thoughts on Phase two of the Carlisle flood risk management scheme as an online consultation opens today (31 July 2020).

The consultation will provide an opportunity for people to find out more about managing the impact of future flooding in their local area as well as view the proposed planning designs and developments for the scheme. Work compounds will be created in the Bits Park and Swifts car park area from the 5th of August, with works due to start later that month under permitted development. Works will be carried out in line with the Government's most upto-date advice and workers have implemented social distancing measures.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing measures, residents and business owners are invited to find out more on line by visiting <a href="https://www.thefloodhub.co.uk/carlisle-phase-2">www.thefloodhub.co.uk/carlisle-phase-2</a>.

Stewart Mounsey, EA Flood Risk Manager for Cumbria said:

"Since flooding in early Dec 2015, which saw large parts of the community

affected, the Environment Agency has been working hard to better protect the area in the future.

We continue to work closely with partners and the community and works on Phase one of the scheme are well underway. We are pleased to share this consultation for Phase two works today and encourage local residents and business owners to find out more about our proposed plans and share their thoughts with us.

The current situation means that we are unable to run face-to-face meetings but we will ensure that we answer any questions that people may have and carefully consider suggestions in the same way as usual."

The consultation will be open from 31 July and throughout August.

Planning submission for Phase two works is scheduled for late August.

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