

Upton upon Severn

Upton flood alleviation scheme newsletter

December 2011

This newsletter is to update you on the construction of the New Street and Waterside flood defence.

New Street

An opening ceremony was held on 25 November to celebrate the New Street defence being operational.



The New Street 'flood gate closing ceremony'



The New Street flood gate being closed

There are still some outstanding landscaping works. These will be finished over the winter, in time for the spring.

Waterside

Following the discovery of the eighteenth century graves, work on the section of the flood wall between the bridge and the Kings Head has incurred a delay of one and a half weeks to the programme. The project team are looking to mitigate this.



The base of the flood wall being constructed outside the Plough.

Work on the section of flood wall between the Swan and Crimond Rose is progressing well. Currently we have managed to keep Dunn's Lane open for access and hope to maintain this until the works are completed in this section in mid January. The flood gate is due to be installed in March 2012.



The base of the flood wall being constructed outside the Swan

Despite some minor delays to our programme, we hope to start the piling work on the section between the Kings Head and the Swan in the next week or two. A temporary bund will be constructed in the river to support the quay wall outside the Swan. This will be constructed in the next couple of weeks. The bund will be a combination of large rock below river water level and large bags of gravel above water level. The material will be placed using a excavator mounted on a barge in the river.

Local Businesses - open as usual

During the waterside works, **all the waterfront businesses are open as usual** and can be accessed along the water front by foot even where the road is closed to vehicles.

Getting additional information

The dedicated Environment Agency Site Liaison Officer is Charles Chandler. He is available to answer your questions during the construction phase. You can contact him on 07802 335133.

Information about this scheme is also available at www.environment-agency.gov.uk/upton

Notice board in the centre of Upton

The new notice board outside the Tourist Information Centre shows a diagram of the final waterfront scheme, construction photos and our latest newsletter.

Photos

All photos in this newsletter have been supplied courtesy of www.upton.uk.net, where further photos of the construction phase can also be viewed.

Next update

The next update will be late January 2012.

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