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In the meantime if you are interested in obtaining your own flood protection products then some further information is included below.

#### **Further Information**

The Scottish Flood Forum have produced a Blue Pages Directory, which is an independent guide to flood protection products and services. This can be viewed at:

www.scottishfloodforum.org

The Council's website also includes advice on flooding and flood protection products:

www.pkc.gov.uk/flooding

SEPA also provides a list of flood protection products which can be viewed at:

www.sepa.org.uk

### **Contacts**

Householders in the pilot areas who are interested should contact Perth & Kinross Council via the telephone number or email address shown below.

If you are in a Council property then please highlight this to the Council's Customer Service Centre when making contact.

Perth & Kinross Council

Flooding Team
The Environment Service
Perth & Kinross Council
Pullar House
35 Kinnoull Street
PERTH
PH1 5GD

Tel 01738 475000 Email plpflooding@pkc.gov.uk Web www.pkc.gov.uk/flooding

## Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Perth and Kinross Area)

South Perthshire District Liaison Manager for the Crieff and Comrie Pilot Areas:

Ben Liversedge, Watch Manager Email Ben.Liversedge@firescotland.gov.uk

Highland Perthshire District Liaison Manager for the Pitlochry and Aberfeldy Pilot Areas:

Fred Cochrane, Watch Manager Email Fred.Cochrane@firescotland.gov.uk

#### Scottish Flood Forum

Paul Hendy Operations Director - Scottish Flood Forum

Helpline 01698 839021 (24hr enquiry line) Email paul@scottishfloodforum.org Web www.scottishfloodforum.org

If you or someone you know would like a copy of this document in another language or format, (on occasion, only a summary of the document will be provided in translation), this can be arranged by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01738 475000.

You can also send us a text message on 07824 498145.

All Council Services can offer a telephone translation facility.

www.pkc.gov.uk

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### Flood Protection Products - *Pilot Scheme*

Householders with properties at risk of flooding can get help to fund suitable protection products for their homes under a new scheme.

The responsibility for protecting individual properties lies with the property owner. Perth & Kinross Council has no statutory duty to prevent properties from flooding, but will help residents and communities as much as we can.

The Council, the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Perth and Kinross Area) and the Scottish Flood Forum have worked together to develop a pilot scheme to improve the uptake of flood protection products in flood affected communities.

The pilot scheme will involve:

- A free flood survey of properties and a demonstration of suitable product samples by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Perth and Kinross Area).
- A survey report will highlight suitable flood products for the properties.
- Householders will be given the opportunity to pay for the products at a reduced price, secured by the Council through bulk buying.
- The products will be delivered to the Council's roads depots at Crieff and Pitlochry. Householders will be responsible for collecting the products and for arranging for their installation.
- The Scottish Flood Forum can advise householders on suitable installers, and provide advice to householders once the products are fitted.

The Scottish Flood Forum will carry out an inspection of the property after the products

have been installed and will produce, and sign off, a final report.

Householders should contact their insurer to inform them of any flood resilience improvements that have been made to their property and to see if this will lead to a lower premium.

## What Flood Protection Products are Available?

The following are typical examples of products which are designed to protect a property from flooding.



Flood Barriers for Doors and Airbrick Covers



Inflatable Toilet Bung



Non-Return Valve (NRV)



Sump Pumps



Waterproofing and Sealants

Householders need to be aware that they will have to act on any flood warnings provided for their area and be present to correctly install some of these products prior to flooding.

### **Use of Sandbags**

The Council can sometimes provide sandbags to properties in imminent danger of being flooded. Protecting property from flooding is the responsibility of the owner of the property, but we are keen to do as much as we can to help. Unfortunately we only have the resources to allow us to supply sandbags to residents where there is an imminent risk of flooding.

## What Areas are Included in the Pilot Scheme?

An assessment has been made of the areas of highest flood risk - known as Potentially Vulnerable Areas (PVAs) - within Perth and Kinross using information provided by SEPA. The areas chosen are PVA 08/03, which includes Aberfeldy and Pitlochry, and PVA 08/14 which includes Comrie and Crieff.

The pilot scheme will target residential properties within these areas and will not include commercial and business properties unless they were integral to protecting households, for example in a terraced street.

More information on Potentially Vulnerable Areas can be found on SEPA's website http://map.sepa.org.uk/nfra/map.htm

# What if My Area is Not Included in the Pilot Scheme?

The success of the pilot scheme will be evaluated following a period of six months. If the pilot scheme proves to be successful within the chosen locations then a recommendation will be made to the Council that it is extended to all of Perth and Kinross.

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