

Comrie Flood Protection Scheme Newsletter

Background

Historically Comrie has suffered from repeated flooding, with records stretching back to 1910. Significant flooding has occurred recently in January 1993, February 1997, December 2006 and in August and November 2012. The main flood risk comes from the Water of Ruchill, the River Earn and the River Lednock. Following the flood events of 2012 the Council implemented emergency flood protection works to reduce the risk of this happening again. However, it is estimated that approximately 290 businesses and residential properties are still at risk of flooding.

The Council previously engaged consulting engineers, Mouchel, to develop proposals to address the remaining flood risk from the three main watercourses in the area. Mouchel considered a wide range of potential options to manage the risk of flooding. These options were presented to the community at public events in September 2016 along with the recommended flood protection scheme. The display materials from these events, and the subsequent question and answer report, can be viewed online at:

www.pkc.gov.uk/comriefloodscheme

The recommended flood scheme, consisting of walls and embankments, has since been approved by the Council's Environment, Enterprise & Infrastructure Committee. This decision was based upon the advice from Mouchel and was informed by community feedback.

Recent Developments

Consulting engineers, Sweco, will be progressing the design of the Comrie Flood Protection Scheme based on the previous work carried out by Mouchel.

What's Next?

Sweco will be gathering further information in order to progress the outline design of the Scheme. As such it is likely you will notice more activity in the town in the near future as Sweco conduct environmental, topographic and structural surveys. The Council expect that the initial design output will be presented to the community in the spring of next year.

The investigation of the ground conditions is scheduled for the period between January and March 2018, and the Council will be contacting affected landowners to discuss these works shortly.

Future Updates and Further Information

The Council will be providing further newsletters to the community at key stages of the Flood Scheme development. Further information can be found at:

www.pkc.gov.uk/comriefloodscheme

If, in the meantime, you require further information on the project please visit the webpage above or contact the project team at either of the following email addresses:

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