

South Kinross Flood Protection Scheme Newsletter

Introduction

This community newsletter has been prepared to update you on the progress of the South Kinross Flood Protection Scheme.

Recent Progress

Since our previous newsletter, work on the flood scheme has been delayed for various reasons including high staff turnover in both the Council and our consulting engineers, RPS, and the need to divert staff resources to respond to a number of flood events. However, work on the outline design of the scheme has progressed well during 2023.

Environmental Surveys

Various ecological and landscape surveys were carried out in 2021/2022 to inform the Environmental Impact Assessment for the scheme.

Public Utility

Investigation Works

Slot trenches were excavated in March 2023 to identify and establish the position of existing underground public utility apparatus in the vicinity of the proposed scheme. This will help to establish if any apparatus requires to be diverted as part of the future construction works.

Further ground investigation works will be undertaken next year.

Outline Design

RPS have been analysing the findings from these surveys to inform the development of the proposed outline design for the flood defences.

Public Consultation

We are now ready to consult with the community on the proposed scheme.

A public exhibition will be held in the Kinross Parish Church (10 Station Road) between 2pm and 8pm on Thursday 28 September and Thursday 5 October 2023.

The exhibition will be in the form of community drop-in sessions and will provide the community with information on the current outline design of the flood scheme including the proposed flood defence types, alignments, heights and indicative finishes. A display will be set up at the venue and officers from the Council's flooding team and RPS will be available to answer any questions.

It is anticipated that representatives from SEPA will be present to provide advice in relation to their flood warning services and flood risk management plans, and the Scottish Flood Forum will be present on Thursday 5 October to provide advice on flood protection products.

Comment forms will be made available to allow residents to record their views and highlight any issues of interest or concern.

For anyone who cannot attend on the above dates, the proposals will also be available to view on the Council's website at www.pkc.gov.uk/southkinrossfloodscheme, and on the Council's Consultation Hub at <https://consult.pkc.gov.uk/communities/southkinrossfloodscheme> from 28 September.

In the meantime, we have been consulting with individual landowners and these meetings will continue. The Council and RPS are also engaging with key stakeholders including SEPA, NatureScot, Historic Environment Scotland, Transport Scotland, etc.

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What's Next?

Following the public exhibition, the Council will collate any questions and comments provided and will provide a response in the form of a community consultation report. This report will be published and made available to the community.

The community's response will inform the final outline design of the flood scheme. Where possible, the proposed scheme will be amended to address any local concerns.

We will issue a further newsletter once the community consultation report is available.

The Council will then seek to publish the final proposals under the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009. Thereafter, the Council will progress the detailed design, tenders and construction.



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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/southkinrossfloodscheme

If, in the meantime, you require further information on the project please visit the webpage above or contact the project team at SKinrossFloodScheme@pkc.gov.uk

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