



## NEWS

[Environment Agency update on The Old Court House, Cockermouth](#)

[Environment Agency Flood Action Week: householders need to know their flood risk after 2023's record-breaking weather](#)

[Windermere residents invited to view United Utilities water investment plans](#)

[Lancashire to benefit from £2.4m peatlands investment](#)

[United Utilities shares its upgrade plans for Hest Bank](#)

[Government announces support for flood-hit areas](#)

[UK residents in the dark about risks posed by flooding](#)

[£2.5m on offer in latest round of Country-side Stewardship Facilitation Fund](#)

[Environment Agency update on the Honest Lawyer Building, Cockermouth](#)

[United Utilities' graduates work with housing developers to create water efficient homes](#)

[Record £13.7bn investment in the pipeline for North West](#)

[New bans and restrictions on polluting single-use plastics come into force](#)

The Flood Hub has joined LinkedIn! Follow us '@TheFloodHub', to see updates, new resources, case studies and more!

## EVENTS

**05.02.2023: Lancashire Wildlife Trust: Christmas Tree Planting at Fylde Sand Dunes**

**06.02.2023: Lancashire Wildlife Trust: Christmas Tree Planting at Fylde Sand Dunes**



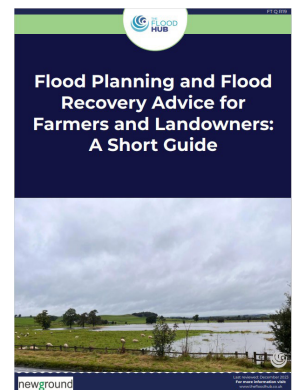
For more information on other events taking place in the North West, [please click here.](#)

## NEW CONTENT ADDED TO THE FLOOD HUB

### Flood Planning & Flood Recovery Advice for Farmers and Landowners: A Short Guide

This guide has been created to provide farmers and landowners with an overview of flood planning and preparing, and flood recovery. The guide explains topics including:

- Checking your flood risk,
- Flood plans,
- Flood kits,
- Reporting animal movements,
- Draining and discharging water,
- Disposal of spoilt crops
- And much more!



[Click here to view and download the resource.](#)

# THE FLOOD HUB FEEDBACK SURVEY

The Flood Hub's Feedback Survey went live in December which provides an opportunity for users to share their thoughts on The Flood Hub.

In recent months, The Flood Hub has seen increasing pageviews and user numbers due to the extreme weather and storms that have hit the UK. The survey will provide the team with an insight into user habits, the most useful sections, and whether there is anything that users may feel is missing, or could be improved to aid future development of The Flood Hub. It also includes a question where users can share comments which can be used for testimonials.

## Feedback Survey

Join us in shaping The Flood Hub!

Take our quick survey to help us improve The Flood Hub. Your feedback is key in making The Flood Hub a useful resource for communities, householders and businesses across the North West to manage flood and coastal erosion risk.



<https://thefloodhub.co.uk/feedback-survey-2024/>



You can have your say here:

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## IN PROGRESS FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME (FRMS) UPDATES

APPLEBY



CARLISLE PHASE 1B AND PHASE 2



KENDAL



PADIHAM



PENKETH AND WHITTLE



PRESTON AND SOUTH RIBBLE



RADCLIFFE AND REDVALES



ROCHDALE AND LITTLEBOROUGH



UPPER KENT



# FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEME (FRMS) DOWNLOADS

- [Rochdale and Littleborough Flood Risk Management Scheme Update](#) - December
- [Hindley Proposed FRMS Newsletter](#) - December
- [Hazel Grove and Offerton Green Proposed FRMS Newsletter](#) - December
- [Carlisle Phase 1B FRMS Newsletter](#) - December
- [Radcliffe and Redvales FRMS Flood Warning Area Briefing Note](#) - November
- [Preston and South Ribble FRMS Newsletter](#) - November
- [Kendal FRMS - Winter Ready Briefing](#) - November
- [Rochdale and Littleborough FRMS Update](#) - November
- [Kendal FRMS - Gooseholme Update](#) - November
- [Burrow Beck Proposed FRMS Lentworth Drive Briefing Note](#) - October
- [Upper Kent FRMS Topographic Survey](#) - October

For information and downloads on the flood risk management schemes in the North West, please [click here](#).

## FUTURE FLOOD HUB CAMPAIGNS

**January:**  
Managing Flood Risk - Who's Involved

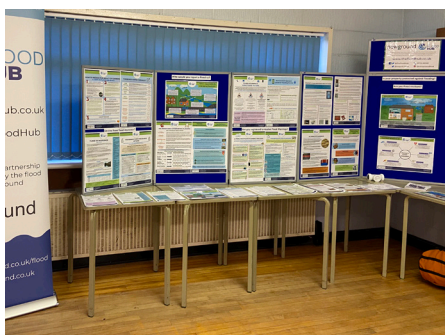
**February:**  
Riparian Ownership

**March:**  
Flood risk, planning and development

You can follow these campaigns on our [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) accounts.

Did you know the Newground Flood Team can provide support to individuals, businesses and communities at risk of flooding?

[Click here](#) for more information.



## TOP TIP

Cumbria experienced very heavy snowfall in November 2023 which happened very quickly, and with little warning, which left several motorists stranded.

This serves as a reminder to check your car's emergency kit and update it to include any items necessary for winter, such as:

- Blanket and warm clothes
- Suitable spare footwear
- Reflective warning triangles
- Ice scraper and de-icer
- Shovel

Read our 'Ensure you're Winter Ready' blog for more information:

<https://thefloodhub.co.uk/blog-ensure-youre-winter-ready/>



# NEWGROUND FLOOD TEAM UPDATE

1ST OCTOBER - 31ST DECEMBER 2023

95 

INDIVIDUALS  
SUPPORTED

3 

ENGAGEMENT  
EVENTS ATTENDED

59 

DIRECT ENQUIRIES  
TO THE FLOOD HUB

11 

ELECTED MEMBERS  
SUPPORTED

7 

PARTNERSHIP  
MEETINGS  
ATTENDED

1 

FLOOD GROUP  
MEETINGS  
ATTENDED

From October through December, Newground has supported several meetings with Lead Local Flood Authorities, the Environment Agency (EA), local authorities, and community groups in the Greater Manchester, Merseyside and Cheshire areas.

The team has been busy working in partnership with Risk Management Authorities at community drop-in events in Irwell Vale, Maghull and Sankey Brook. In addition, Newground also undertook engagement work in Great Sutton with the EA, delivering property flood resilience (PFR) advice to residents. The team also met with Billinge Parish Council to discuss the formation of a community flood group, and visited a primary school in Cheshire to discuss PFR and flood planning.

Common enquiry themes from online and direct engagement this quarter include PFR, riparian ownership, flood planning and community flood groups.

Follow the Newground Flood Team on X, formerly known as Twitter:

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## FEATURED BLOG

### A Day Spent At Fylde Sand Dunes Planting Christmas Trees



The Newground Flood Team attended one of the volunteering sessions organised by Lancashire Wildlife Trust in February 2023. This blog discusses the tasks completed during the day, followed by the project's achievements and benefits it has provided for coastal erosion protection and biodiversity.

Information on the next volunteering events can be found [here](#).

[Click here to read the blog](#)

## USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

Sign up for flood warnings:

- Environment Agency Floodline: **0345 988 1188**
- <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

Reporting flooding:

- Environment Agency Incident Hotline: **0800 80 70 60**
- United Utilities: **0345 672 3723**
- Lead Local Flood Authority: This will either be the District Council, provided it is a Unitary Authority, or the County Council. [Find your local council here](#).

## KNOWLEDGE HUB

### [Flood Safety: Before, During & After](#)

This new resource explains the important tasks you should complete before, during and after a flood to ensure you maintain your property and your own safety.



**6** Resources   **3** Blogs   **2** Case Studies

To view them, visit our 'Knowledge Hub' [here](#).

[www.thefloodhub.co.uk](http://www.thefloodhub.co.uk)

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