



## Welcome to the project

For a long time, flooding has been a concern for the communities between Barton and New Holland. In December 2013 the area suffered severe flooding due to overspilling of the defences caused by a record tidal surge, and due to climate change, flood defences need to be adapted and evolve to withstand increasing risk of flooding in the future.

To deliver part of the 2008 Humber Flood Risk Management Strategy the Environment Agency plan to work with stakeholders across the area to develop options to alleviate flood risk to better protect homes, businesses, and infrastructure in the floodplain. For these communities we are at the early stages of this journey, there is no quick fix, but we are committed to working with you over the coming months and years to help define a long-term sustainable solution.

Our project aims to reduce tidal flood risk along the estuary frontage and to maximise the number of properties with an increased standard of resilience. The approaches we will be implementing will focus on sustainability and adaptation, with the end goal of improving community resilience to future tidal flood incidents. The project is likely to recommend a combination of flood risk management measures.



This newsletter is the first of many designed to help keep people informed about the project, our progress, and opportunities to get involved. The aim is to provide updates every 2-3 months.

Flood map: This map shows the areas at risk of river and sea flooding between Barton to New Holland. (darker blue areas indicate higher risk of flooding) – more details are shown on Gov.uk web site





Impacts of December 2013 tidal surge. (left) Barton Haven (right) embankment erosion near New Holland.

## What happens next?

- A Steering Group will be set to support the Environment Agency's Project Board and team. Invitations will be sent soon.
- Resilience Advisory Group is being organised and arranged for early 2022. If you are interested in being a group representative and project champion, please contact us via our project email.
- January 2022 onwards we will begin conducting ecological surveys. These surveys will require some access to private land and will be conducted during both the day and night. If you have any concerns regarding this please contact us via the project email.

## Timeline

2022 & 2023 – **Options Development**

2024 – **Design/Approvals/Procurement**

2025 – **On site works begin**

## Project funding

The majority of funding for this project will be provided by the government. However, the remainder of the funding will need to be sourced from local funding contributions.

## Flood Warnings:



Environment Agency: 03708 506 506

To report an incident please call:

(24-hour service) 0800 80 70 60

Flood line: 0345 988 1188

Sign up for flood alerts at:

<https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

## Project website coming soon...

In the new year we will be launching a project website on Citizen Space, this will give more information about the work we are doing in more detail, giving you the opportunity to check in any time to see what's happening, when and who is involved.

**We have a dedicated project team working on this, to find out more:**

## Contact us:



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Citizen Space Link: <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/lincolnshire-and-northamptonshire/barton-to-new-holland-flood-alleviation-scheme>