

Email received by RUG's 1&2 secretary. Regarding Abingdon Flood Relief

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From: Enquiries_THM

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Subject: THMGE 5190 Reducing flooding in Abingdon - newsletter

Good morning

Please find attached our latest newsletter on our work to reduce flooding in Abingdon. The Environment Agency have been carrying out this work in partnership with Vale of White Horse District Council, Oxfordshire County Council and the Thames Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (RFCC).

Since our last newsletter we have been continuing to develop the design for a flood storage area. Based on our more detailed design information we now know the cost of the flood storage area to be much greater than our earlier estimate. To justify continuing work to develop plans for a flood storage area our partnership would need to secure a large amount of additional funding from other partners and businesses. The partnership do not think we will realistically be able to find the required funding. This means that we are not able to continue developing plans for the flood storage area at this time.

We are continuing our work to investigate options for Natural Flood Management which could help to reduce flooding in Abingdon. We have also identified where Temporary Flood Barriers could help reduce the impact of flooding for specific areas in Abingdon.

Please see our attached newsletter for further detail. If you have any comments or suggestions please email us at enquiries_THM@environment-agency.gov.uk.

We hope you find our updates useful. We will continue to update you on our progress with Natural Flood Management, Temporary Flood Barriers and any other work we carry out to reduce flooding in Abingdon. If you wish to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know. Please share this newsletter with anyone you believe may be interested and encourage them to contact us to be added to our distribution list.

Kind regards

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