

Welcome to our first newsletter!

The Crindau area of Newport is subject to a significant risk of tidal flooding with approximately 650 properties at risk. Natural Resources Wales has developed a flood alleviation scheme following a stakeholder engagement process that included consultation with statutory consultees, landowners, the public and other interested parties. The scheme will extend along the banks of Crindau Pill and the River Usk between the M4 motorway and the mainline railway.

The scheme will improve the local environment and create a new amenity area. An embankment will run through Shaftesbury Park and grassed terraces will be created for people to sit and watch matches on the playing field. The park will also benefit from new foot and cycle paths, trees and shrubs.



The story so far...

GallifordTry were appointed as our main contractor in 2016 and work is well underway. The site compound has been set up to accommodate staff, machinery and storage areas. Significant vegetation and tree removal has been completed across the site ready for the new flood wall. The derelict part (toilet block) of the Shaftesbury Park changing rooms has also been demolished.

Where possible GallifordTry are using local suppliers and businesses to carry out the work, helping to strengthen the local economy. 2000 tonnes (to date) of stone has been sourced from Taffs Well Quarry, Pentyrch. Concrete and steel for the sections of concrete wall will also be locally sourced.



What's next?

Sheet piling (interlocking sections of steel that make a long wall) will start in late February to the rear of W Harold John (Metal) Ltd, moving on to piling south of Lyne Road Bridge.

The following areas are currently being prepared and secured for piling:

- **Shaftesbury Park children's play area and MUGA** - temporary fencing will be erected around these areas and they will be closed to the public, reopening when works are complete.
- **Shaftesbury Park entrances** - the footpath from McDonalds into Shaftesbury Park will be closed until further notice. An alternative temporary diversion route will be provided. The access on the corner of Pugsley Street will be closed during the works. Local notices will advise of alternative entrances.
- **Shaftesbury Park changing rooms** - access will be maintained to the changing rooms for all football games.
- **Allotments, Pugsley Street** - the wall foundations here require excavating. The concrete footpath within the allotment will be temporarily closed.
- **Footpath to the rear of the allotments** - this will remain closed.

Working with the Community

NRW and GallifordTry are committed to working closely with the local community and providing additional benefits through this scheme. We are keeping people up to date with progress and have delivered letters to all local residents and businesses directly affected by the work.

We have improved the outdoor reading area at Crindau Primary School by providing tree stumps and logs for seats. We have also cleared the path to their forest school area.

At the allotments on Pugsley Street we provided mulch from our site vegetation and tree removal operations.

We are also supporting a raised flower bed project outside Shaftesbury Community Centre.

If you are a local charity or just trying to do something positive for your community let us know about it and we may be able to help you achieve your goal!

Please contact **Gino Salvatore** if you would like to discuss anything relating to the community or construction activities.

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Next Public Drop-in

We will be at Crindau Primary School on **parents evening 15th February between 4:30-8:00 pm for parents and carers only.**

We will announce another Public Drop in event in due course.

There are project information boards located on Shaftesbury Community Centre and the old National Plastics building on Albany Street.

Anyone concerned about flooding can check their flood risk, and find out if a free flood warning service is available in their area by calling Floodline on 0345 988 1188 or by visiting

www.naturalresources.wales/flooding.

For further information visit our website: www.naturalresources.wales/crindau