

Somerset Levels and Moors update – 9 March 2023

Further to our update of 28 February, we wanted to let you know some upcoming key dates.

Public drop-in events

Our partners at the county and district councils are organising multi-agency drop-in events for residents and businesses who have been directly or indirectly affected by flooding this winter. These events will provide people with useful information and the opportunity to ask questions. The drop-ins will be held at:

Moorland Village Hall – Monday 20 March, 4pm to 7.30pm

Burrowbridge Coronation Hall – Monday 27 March, 4pm to 7.30pm

Representatives from the District and County Councils and relevant local organisations will be available to provide advice and support. For more information please email infoccu@somerset.gov.uk with 'Flood Drop-ins' in the subject line.

We will also be coming along to these events. Please come and talk to us if you have questions or information to share. We will also have information on flood resilience and ways that communities can be better prepared for flooding.

We will do our best to answer your questions. However, some may be too technical to answer immediately and will need to be addressed at a later time, or we may not have the answers until we have completed our own post-incident review process. The results of this review process will be shared through future planned engagement.

Temporary pumps and road closures

Demobilisation of the temporary pumps continues, with two or three operational teams working at multiple locations:

- Dunball – complete
- Northmoor – 6 to 17 March
- Haymoor – 7 to 9 March
- Currymoor – 9 to 17 March
- Elson's Clyce – 13 to 14 March
- Saltmoor – 14 to 15 March

The works at Northmoor will require intermittent traffic management, where vehicles may be stopped for short periods of time.

We are expecting the following road closures to be in place, subject to final permissions being granted. If there are any changes to these dates, we will let you know.

Huntworth Lane between Moorland and Huntworth will be closed overnight on 13 March from 7pm to 5am, for removal of the pumps at Elson's Clyce.

West Yeo Road between Burrowbridge and Moorland will be closed overnight on 14 and 15 March from 7pm to 5am, for removal of the temporary pumps at Saltmoor Pumping Station.

We will use our social media channels to keep you updated. We are sorry for any disruption this may cause and appreciate your understanding while we carry out this work.

Currymoor reservoir drop-in

We are carrying out improvement work on reservoirs across Wessex, as part of our legal obligations under the Reservoirs Act 1975. This is unrelated to recent flooding. We will be holding a public drop-in for the Currymoor Reservoir on 22 March in the Williams Hall, Stoke St Gregory, from 5pm to 7pm. This event is open to everyone but will be focused on answering questions that landowners and residents may have about the reservoir works.

Additional information and advice:

Prepare for flooding in advance and stay up to date on weather information and warnings: <https://check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/plan-ahead-for-flooding>

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We know that recent events may trigger feelings of anxiety, fear or worry, particularly for those who have been previously affected by flooding. Mindline is Somerset's emotional support and mental health helpline which is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: 01823 276 892 (local) 0800 138 1692 (freephone).

Information to help you on what to do during a flood is on the [Somerset Prepared website](#) or the [SRA website](#). Remember: Always stay safe. In an immediate flood emergency or where there is a risk to life, follow the advice of the emergency services.

For more information, please contact WessexEnquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk