

Keeping you informed

Our work in Sprotbrough

August 2021

Background

Following the widespread flood incident in 2019 that impacted locations across South Yorkshire, the flood wall opposite the Boat Inn was damaged. The top of the wall is missing in places and there is seepage through the wall during high water levels.

Our Role

Our role is to protect and improve the environment and promote sustainable development so that everyone can enjoy the benefits of a clean, safe and healthy place to live, work and play.

We also have a role to reduce flood risk. We cannot entirely prevent flooding from rivers and streams, but flood defences reduce the likelihood of flooding. Existing flood defences need to be maintained to ensure they operate during future flood events.

Details of the works

We will be replacing the existing concrete floodwall with a sheetpile wall, covered with brick to blend into the surrounding area. The height of the wall will remain unchanged.

We will also be making improvements to the surface water pump intake to make the pump more reliable.



Above: location of working area

How do we protect the local environment?

We will always try and minimise the impact on local habitat. A sycamore tree damaging the flood defence and preventing installation of the 6m tall sheetpiles will have to be removed. We are working with the landowner to identify an appropriate location to plant new trees in the area that will avoid future damage to the new flood defence as well as Canal & River Trust assets.

How will we do the works?

All works will be carried out by the Environment Agency's framework contractor AmcoGiffen supported by Hall Construction.

We would like to reassure you of our commitment to support local communities, the Government and NHS England by abiding by the measures set by the Government during the current COVID-19 outbreak. This is to ensure the ongoing safety of both the public, our staff and our contractors.

Works machinery will use the canal-side area, with the Trans Pennine Trail diverted onto Nursery Lane. To ensure pedestrians and cyclists are safe, there will be a road closure and temporary traffic lights on Nursery Lane (see location plan). We assure you that we will keep any disruption to a minimum.

We will have temporary defences available on site and will install them if necessary.

When will the work take place?

Works are currently programmed to begin from 9th August and last for 8 weeks, but final dates are dependent on weather conditions.

Who can I contact for further information?

If you require any further information you can contact SYPSO@environment-agency.gov.uk