

River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme—Phase 2

November 2014



WORK UPDATE

Gilbert St/Huntly Place— To ensure protection of tree roots, hand digging has been taking place in the areas around the trees which has been followed by the excavation for the sheet piling and the flood wall. Our next step will be the watermain diversion which is to commence at Friars Bridge.

Anderson Street - The patterned concrete works and the sandstone cladding are now complete. The next stage will be focused on the cope stones and handrails being installed on top of the wall in January 2015.

Gael Force — The required section of the wall along Anderson Street has been demolished, giving way to the sheet piling which is complete. Focus now is on getting the concrete works and reclamation works completed.



GAEL FORCE PORTLAND PLACE

Riverside St/Waterloo Place—Site clearance has started and piling works are to commence. Please note that Riverside Street is closed off to traffic and pedestrians.

Portland Place—The CFA piling is complete and the concrete wall works are progressing well. Once these concrete works are complete the area will be backfilled and reinstated before commencing on the northern aspect adjacent to the railway.

Shore Street— The work on the concrete defence wall and the patterned concrete wall has been completed. Next step is drainage and floodgate installation prior to reinstatement of footways and carriageways.

Cromwell Road / Longman Drive —At Munros, site clearance and steel 'H' piling will start soon, working towards the harbour. The enabling works at Caledonian Oils will commence which will include erecting a temporary security fence and demolishing part of the existing wall.

We would like to thank local residents and businesses for their patience during these works

FLOOD WALLS

Flood risk is a major issue in most EU countries. Extreme floods are expected to become more frequent due to increases in winter rainfall and irregular and extreme events caused by climate change. Many flood-prone areas, especially in urban locations, are protected by 'hard-engineered' flood defences such as flood walls and embankments.

Although the primary function of the flood wall going up along the river will be for flood defence, the structures will also enhance the environment and be aesthetically pleasing to Inverness.

If you have any concerns regarding the flood alleviation works please contact The River Ness Helpline on 07557 744442 or email on RivernessFAS@highland.gov.uk. For more information about the flood alleviation scheme visit the website: http://www.highland.gov.uk/info/1226/emergencies/80/flood_alleviation_schemes