Flood Bulletin
Culloden, Smithton & Balloch

16th October 2012

Information for residents and businesses from The Highland Council, the Scottish Flood Forum and SEPA

WELCOME to our 6th Flood Bulletin, an occasional bulletin to keep you informed of developments and work in progress following the floods to the east of Inverness in 2011.

PUBLIC MEETING – 25TH OCTOBER 2012

The Highland Council has set a date for a public meeting to discuss proposed flood alleviation measures in the Smithton and Culloden areas of Inverness. The meeting will be held on Thursday 25 October 2012 at Culloden Academy, Inverness. A presentation will be made by Neil Gillies, Director of TEC Services starting at 6:30pm, with the opportunity to view drawings of the proposals from 6pm.

Having now completed a detailed appraisal of the options available, and following close collaboration by the Council, JBA, SEPA and Forestry Commission, an update will be given on the works which have been carried out to date; how the council will prioritise the £1M allocated within the Capital Programme for the next two financial years; and identify how the balance of the works will be implemented.

INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENENANCE

Routine inspections of Smithton Burn, Culloden Burn West and Tower Burn have been taking place in accordance with an inspection regime created by the Flood Team. From these inspections and from advice received from the public, Area Roads & Community Works teams have been able to respond quickly to clear debris from the watercourse which otherwise could cause a blockage leading to potential flooding. Increased inspections along with recent maintenance works on the Culloden Burns, Smithton Burn and Tower Burn over the past year has resulted in flooding being averted during recent heavy rainfall which has seen flooding to other areas. Information on works which have been carried out over the past year will be highlighted at the public meeting on the 25th October.

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