

Flooding Sept 2012

The Multi Agency response

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Monday 24th Sept

Richmondshire

Scarborough

- **Isolated reports of localised flooding across County**
- **In the evening – Met Office advised of heavy and persistent rain for Y&H region, continuing into Tuesday for North Yorkshire and Pennines**
- **Partners on stand-by. Risk communicated by teleconference (EA) and email**

Selby

Tuesday 25th Sept

- **Impact of heavy rain overnight became clear**
 - **SCG teleconferences**
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- **Closure of A1**
 - **emergency diversions, care for stranded drivers, messages to media**
 - **underground reservoir at Thornton Steward (contamination of clean water supply to 26,000 properties)**
 - **emergency work by YWS to divert flood water**
 - **YWS and LA develop alternative water supplies**
 - **develop messages to public**
 - **assess who is vulnerable**
 - **Flooding in HDC/RDC**
 - **Gilling West (sheltered housing)**

Wednesday 26th Sept

- Additional rainfall previous night / early morning
- Underground reservoir Thornton Steward no longer a risk
- A1 still closed (J49 – J60). Disruption to rail services
- SCG teleconferences continue. TCG convened (Fulford Road)
- Newby Wiske affected

- Tadcaster Bridge Street closed
 - centres either side of bridge
- Bridges along Swale closed – river not yet peaked
- Drivers ignoring road / bridge closures
- Property flooding. Impact on roads (particularly HDC/RDC)
- Boroughbridge bridge closed
- Flooding / power outage Topcliffe and surrounding area
- Concern high tide coinciding with peak river levels at Selby (Cawood)
- High levels at York evening

Thursday 27th Sept

- Evening 26th sandbagging at Cawood defence (multi-agency)
 - Power still off in Topcliffe and surrounding area
 - SCG teleconferences and TCG running
 - A1 southbound open. Partial northbound open.
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- Bridges affected include: B'bridge / Tadcaster (alternative route established (shuttle bus)) / Morton & Skipton-On-Swale / Scourton / Selby
 - Disruption to road network continues RDC/HDC, also York and Selby
 - Flooding in York e.g. Leeman Road

Friday 28th Sept

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Ryedale

- **River levels still high but stable / falling - response scaling down**
- **Final SCG 13:00**
- **TCG closes 16:00**
- **Continuing assessment of bridges to open where possible (after bridge inspection)**
- **Some roads continue to be closed e.g. in Selby**
- **Work starts on temporary bridge Scourton**

Selby

Rainfall figures

From midnight 23rd Sept to midnight on the 27th Sept rainfall totals:

- **Ravensworth 131mm**
- **Leeming 100.8 mm**
- **Scarborough 35 mm**

Majority rainfall top of catchment RDC, moved through HDC, York and Selby.

In conclusion

Event similar to 2000

- **Improved schemes / defences**
- **Good multi-agency working**
- **Promotion of community resilience**

Any Questions?