

The Environment Agency is working in partnership with Calderdale Council, ARUP and BAM Nuttall to deliver the Copley Flood Alleviation Scheme. This update provides you with information about our progress on the scheme.

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The Scheme

The flood alleviation scheme in Copley involves improvement to the existing flood embankment that surrounds the village, work at the cricket pitch to speed up the rate of drainage and also solutions to manage and reduce surface water risk.

Progress Update

Since our last bulletin in July, the BAM site team have made great progress on the scheme.

Construction work at Old Rishworthians Rugby Club was completed in August. The temporary fencing will remain in place until the grass seed has established.

Sheet pile installation is now completed behind the properties on Copley Lane. We have begun to remove the temporary stone platform in this area and reinstating the ground to its original profile.

We have now installed over 50% of the sheet piles between Mill Street and St Stephens Street. Once all of the sheet piles are installed, over the next few months, we will then begin to remove the temporary stone platform and return the embankment to its original shape.



The photographs show the sheet pile installation. The sheet piles are being installed into the embankment to create a deep metal barrier, that will prevent water seepage through the embankment during a flood event. The sheet piles will not be visible on completion of the works, they will be completely concealed and the embankment returned to its original shape and height.

We'd like to thank all residents for your continued patience and cooperation during construction work and supporting the deliveries and collection of large equipment into the village by keeping access routes free of parked vehicles when required.



Feedback

We'd love to hear your feedback about the project so far. Scan this QR code to provide your views!!

Copley Flood Alleviation Scheme
(FAS)



Contact us! If you have any concerns or questions email us at – CalderdaleFAS@environment-agency.gov.uk.

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Public Drop-in

Over 50 residents attended the public drop-in on the 17th July to find out more information about the progress of the work and speak to our team. Thanks to everyone who came along!

For anyone who was unable to attend, all the information shared at the event can be found on eyeoncalderdale.com under the Projects section.

Working in the Community

The BAM site team spent a day August helping the community by clearing out rubbish and tidying up the church yard, as well as fixing the entrance gate which we understand has been broken for some time.

They also put on a workshop making Bug Hotels for the community with assistance from local residents, Sarah Fanthorpe and Martha Varley. Huge thanks to you both for your help in sharing the event with the community and providing a fantastic array of activities for the children. The BAM team utilised recycled timber to build frames for the Bug Hotels, which the children filled with natural materials from the woods for each family to take home to place in their gardens.

The event was very popular, with approximately 20 families in attendance. If you attended, we'd love to see your bug hotels in their new homes, please send in your photos to CalderdaleFAS@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Thanks also to Old Rishworthian Rugby Club for the use of your space to host the event, which was held as part of the village's weekly coffee morning, ran by Martha every Tuesday 10am – 12pm.



Track the scheme progress from the air!

Drone footage is now available to view the scheme progress.

Visit the Eye on Calderdale 'You Tube' page to view the latest footage.



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