

Hebden Bridge - Flood Alleviation Scheme

The Environment Agency is working in partnership with Calderdale Council, BAM Nuttall & Mott MacDonald to deliver the Hebden Bridge Flood Alleviation Scheme

Conservation and Heritage Considerations

Hebden Bridge is a cultural hotspot and our works look to preserve that culture for the generations to come. The scheme takes into consideration the importance of heritage in this conservation area.

Within Hebden Bridge, there is:

- 1 Scheduled Ancient Monument
- 49 Grade II listed buildings
- 1 Grade II* listed building
- 32 non-designated heritage assets
- 720,000 sqm of conservation area
- 1 ancient woodland, with more further afield, including Colden Clough and Hardcastle Crags

We have engaged with local stakeholders including Historic England, West Yorkshire Archaeological Society, and Hebden Bridge Local History Society

Conservation Area:
Ensuring the project respects and preserves the conservation area of Hebden Bridge and its historic features.

Pre-construction dig:
Organising a community event for a pre-construction dig at Old Packhorse Bridge, a Scheduled Ancient Monument dating back to 1501, with moderate potential for medieval remains.

Preserving culture:
Preserving historical structures, such as the Rochdale Canal and Innovation Mill, to prevent disrepair and protect history.



Raising barriers:
Maintain visual amenity and ensure that public access is maintained between the Wavy Steps area and the river.

Glass Panels:
Incorporating glass panels to maintain a connection with nature and visual amenity of the river.

Yorkshire Stone:
Utilising existing stone where possible and local Yorkshire Stone to repair and rebuild along the 720m of existing stone-walled riverbank in the scheme area.

