

## Severn Stoke Flood Alleviation Scheme – February 2024

**This update provides the latest information on the delivery of the Severn Stoke Flood Alleviation Scheme.**

We hope that you are doing okay after the recent flooding, we appreciate how devastating the impacts can be. We would like to reassure you that while this scheme is very challenging to deliver while staying within the spending rules for public money, this scheme remains our top priority for Worcestershire.

Responding to the recent flooding has slowed our work, however we are pleased to say that we have two contractors currently interested in delivering the Severn Stoke Flood Risk Management Scheme. We can't say too much more at this point while we work through the final commercial elements. Our focus is now confirming donor sites for the embankment material, ensuring that the material meets the design specification, and understanding the likely import rate - this will then dictate the final construction price. We will look to provide an update on this in the coming weeks.

Over the next couple of weeks, you will see further tree clearance work to prepare the site. Unfortunately, the earlier tree clearance work had to be paused due to the flooding. As the weather warms up you will see us making repairs to the newt fencing before we complete the final trapping in accordance with the Natural England license."

### **Future updates**

We will continue to keep you updated with the progress of the scheme via future newsletters and updates to the Parish Council and the Flood Action Group.

### **Contact us**

If you have any queries or comments about the proposed scheme, please contact the Environment Agency Project Manager via email at [paul.jones2@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:paul.jones2@environment-agency.gov.uk) or call 03708 506 506. Thank you for taking the time to read this update.