






## Invite to our drop-ins

Over 700 properties are at risk from a major flood in north Reading and Lower Caversham. We are looking at the best ways to reduce flooding. Our latest design includes a combination of flood walls and embankments, temporary flood barriers and a channel. Our vision is to reduce flood risk to hundreds of properties and keep Reading moving. We aim to increase the value of the area for the local community and biodiversity.

We have listened to your feedback from last summer and have made changes to the proposed design. We have also created photos to show what the scheme could look like. We would like to update you on these changes and get your views. **We will be sharing the new information at upcoming drop-ins.**

It is important to note that the project is still at an early stage, it does not have the relevant permissions and may not go ahead. We can only do this with the support of our partners and the local community.

## When and where are the drop-ins?

 Date	 Time	 Location
Weds 26 February	1 pm until 3 pm	Weller Centre, Amersham Road RG4 5NA
Sat 29 February	12 noon until 2.30 pm	Weller Centre, Amersham Road RG4 5NA
Thurs 5 March	1 pm until 3.30 pm	Weller Centre, Amersham Road RG4 5NA
Sat 7 March	1 pm until 4 pm	Thameside Primary School, Harley Road RG4 8DB
Mon 9 March	4 pm until 8 pm	Caversham Baptist Church, South Street RG4 8HY
Fri 13 March	4 pm until 8 pm	Caversham Methodist Church, Gosbrook Road RG4 8EB
Fri 20 March	12 noon until 4 pm	Church House, 59 Church Street RG4 8AX

## What will we be sharing at the events?

- **Are you at risk of flooding?**
  - Flood maps so you can see if you are at risk.
- **What you can do to prepare for flooding?**
  - How to sign up for flood warnings and how to prepare for flooding.
- **What a possible flood scheme could look like**
  - Landscape pictures showing where the walls, embankments, temporary flood barriers and channel could be and what it could look like.

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- We will be showing before and after pictures of what the scheme could look like in different locations. Final details of wall heights, design and planting (including changes in trees and hedgerows) are still to be finalised.



**Before example**



**After example**

- **What is the history of flooding in the area?**
  - Pictures and information about historical floods in the area.



**George Street today**



**Flooding on George Street in 1947**

You will also have the opportunity to ask questions about our work and give your feedback.

## Where can I find out more?

- If you are unable to make the events then this information will be available on our website shortly after the events:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/north-reading-and-lower-caversham-flood-alleviation-scheme/north-reading-and-lower-caversham-flood-alleviation-scheme>
- Look out for updates about the scheme on the Environment Agency's Twitter and Facebook accounts.

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