



## Welcome to our sixth newsletter!

**M**any homes and businesses in the Roath, Penylan and Newport Road areas are at risk of flooding from the Roath Brook and the River Rhymney. Natural Resources Wales is working with partners and the community to design and deliver a flood scheme.

This is the last newsletter for 2014. The Roath Flood Scheme team would like to wish you warmest Season's Greetings. We look forward to updating you to our next instalment in the New Year.

## Work starts on River Rhymney flood defences, phase 1 of the Roath and Rhymney Flood Scheme

On 17<sup>th</sup> November, construction of the first phase of the Roath flood scheme got underway. Over the next few weeks our contractor GBV will be refurbishing the existing flood embankment on the River Rhymney, off Newport Road in south Cardiff.

A new flood wall is to be constructed as the existing 150m long flood embankment is in a poor condition and has been identified as no longer providing adequate protection for nearby homes and the industrial estate.

The embankment is to the rear of the Rhymney River Bridge Road Industrial

Estate and visible from the Cardiff to Newport railway.

Whilst every effort is being taken to minimise disruption to local businesses, the community's continued cooperation and support is greatly appreciated. Work is planned to be complete before Christmas.



The existing Rhymney flood embankment, with Cardiff to Newport railway line in background

### We asked, you said, we did in detail!?

In our October newsletter you will have seen a summary of the feedback we received from the drop-in sessions held in September and October. You are very welcome to download the more detailed summary from our website.

### You can still view and comment on proposals...

Copies of posters from September and October are available to download from our website. You will note we tweaked four slides to include new visualisation sketches and an updated plan for Railway Gardens. Although the deadline has past, please feel free to continue to email your feedback.

## Roath Brook channel maintenance

In October, the recent build-up of silt deposits upstream of Penylan Road Bridge was removed as part of our ongoing management programme of the watercourse. The work was timed to minimise disruption to residents, park users and wildlife.

We are reviewing ongoing channel maintenance in areas where sediment creates pinch points. We are investigating design options to reduce the likelihood of siltation by reducing the opportunity for sediment to settle.



Silt removal upstream of Penylan Road Bridge in October

## What's next?

We are working to finalise the design and will continue to share updates through newsletters. We are preparing two Planning Applications to Cardiff Council, the first for works between Colchester Avenue and Ipswich Road and then, in early 2015, for works between Penylan Road and Colchester Avenue.

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