

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q. If I have a concern about the construction of the Scheme. What do I do?**

**A.** If you have any concerns please let us know straight away by contacting Graham Dunlop on 01343 563 773 or 07817 952 521 or email at [graham.dunlop@moray.gov.uk](mailto:graham.dunlop@moray.gov.uk). Graham will answer any questions you have.

**Q. When will Newmill be protected from flooding?**

**A.** Phase 1 of the Newmill Flood Alleviation scheme was completed in early 2012 protecting properties to the east of Hill Street. Construction of Phase 2 is programmed to be completed by the end of 2016.

**Q. What does a 1 in 200 year standard of flood defence mean?**

**A.** It is not possible to provide absolute protection against flooding. Flood alleviation schemes are designed to give a specified standard of protection. A 1 in 200 year standard flood defence means that the flood risk is reduced to a 0.5% chance of flooding occurring in any given year.

**Q. Will I still have access to my land?**

**A.** Yes access to property will be maintained throughout construction of the scheme. Any disruption due to traffic management will be kept to a minimum.

**Q. Will I still be able to farm my land once the scheme is finished?**

**A.** Yes. The scheme has been designed to minimise the required land take. Where possible ditches will follow field boundaries and field access will be maintained.

## The Site Team

The Moray Council has appointed Balfour Beatty PLC as the main contractor.

Balfour Beatty has been active in the flood and coastal sector for over 20 years. In this time, they have completed more than 70 schemes throughout the United Kingdom, including Scotland.

The appointed Site Manager for Balfour Beatty is **Donald Bethune**. Contact details for Donald will be provided after the site has been established.

The Project Manager for the Scheme is **Graham Dunlop**.

If you have any questions about the Scheme please call Graham on **01343 563 773 or 07817 952 521** or email at [graham.dunlop@moray.gov.uk](mailto:graham.dunlop@moray.gov.uk).

Information on the programme of works, including traffic management will be posted on the Council's website, which can be accessed at [www.moray.gov.uk/moray\\_standard/page\\_98985.html](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_98985.html).



## Newmill Flood Alleviation Scheme Phase 2



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## Newsletter April 2016

On 30 March 2016 The Moray Council committed to the construction of Newmill Flood Protection Scheme Phase 2.

Works are scheduled to start week commencing 2 May 2016 and will last approximately 7 months.

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## Introduction



The Moray Council has developed the second phase of flood protection works for Newmill. These works will protect the properties to the west of Hill Street. Protection for properties to the east of Hill Street was completed in 2012. Throughout the development of this scheme, people who's land is directly affected by the scheme, as well as the wider community have been consulted and kept informed of the proposed works.

On 30 March 2016 the Council agreed to commit to the construction of the Scheme.

The Scheme consists of :

- A new surface water drainage network
- Cascade
- Flood Walls and replacement bridge at Low Road

The scheme has been designed to provide protection for up to and including a 1 in 200 year flood event, plus a 20% allowance for climate change.

The design work is now complete and work is due to start week commencing 2 May 2016.

## Surface Water Network



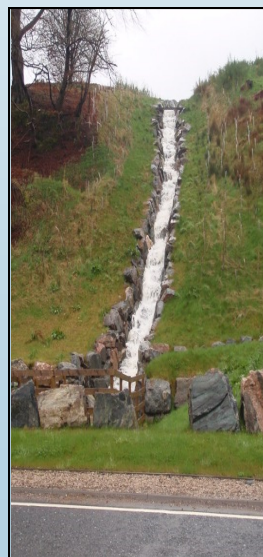
A network of ditches will be constructed to convey surface water runoff from the fields to the north of Back Street, away from the village into the Burn of Kinminitie. Access to these fields will be accommodated where possible during the works. Traffic management will be in place while work is undertaken in this area. However, access to properties on Back Street, Sand Lane and Kinminitie Farm will be maintained throughout the construction period.

The picture to the left shows what the ditches will look like when complete.

## Cascade

A cascade will accommodate the level drop from the drainage network to the outfall at the Burn of Kinminitie. The cascade will be constructed from large rock to form a stepped arrangement, which will drop approximately 12 metres over a length of 100 metres. The cascade will only be operational in a flood event and will remain dry for the majority of the year.

The picture to the right shows a similar cascade which was constructed in Rothes.



## Flood Walls



New flood walls will be constructed on either side of the Burn of Kinminitie adjacent to the B9116 (Newmill to Keith Road). These walls will connect to the Bridge at Low Road and tie into higher ground protecting property and the public road.

The existing bridge over the burn at Low Road will be replaced, to increase the volume of flow that can be conveyed under Low Road. The B9116 and Low Road will be closed during these works. A temporary diversion will be put in place to facilitate access between Keith and Newmill, and for residents at Low Road.

