

MONKSILVER COMMUNITY FLOOD ACTION PLAN - last updated July 2023

There are 4 identified areas in and around the village that are susceptible to flooding:

Prime flooding risk areas:

Area 1 - Watchet Lane bridle path (WL15/13) at the junction with Beech Tree Hill. Water and mud and water flowing down Beech Tree Hill and entering the village at the junction with the B3188.

Area 2 - Flooding of the Monksilver stream through the centre of the village at Front St. on the B3188 and Backway.

Secondary flood risk areas:

Area 3 - Junction of bridle path (WL15/8) at junction with High St. Water and mud flowing down High St. into the village at junction with B3188.

Area 4 - Blockage of gulleys at foot of Combe Cross Hill at junction with B3188.

Area 1 - Actions to be taken before and during a flood

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| Type of risk | - | Field and bridle path run-off. |
| Trigger level | - | Heavy rain forecast. |
| Action before a flood | - | Ensure culverts, gulleys, etc. are clear of debris and leaves.
Ensure sand bags are easily accessible
Contact flood area representative
Ensure neighbours know of the warning.
Confirm location of relevant 4x4 vehicles
Be prepared for possible evacuation |
| Action during a flood | - | Inform emergency services
Position sandbags
Offer assistance to neighbours
Avoid culverts, gulleys, etc. which are flooded.
When safe to do so, make a written/photographic record of what is happening to inform future action.
Consider evacuation to Village Hall or neighbour's houses |

Area 2 - Actions to be taken before and during a flood

Type of risk - Monksilver stream overflowing.
Trigger level - Stream at high level; Notification by Environment Agency of imminent flooding.

Action before a flood - Ensure sand bags are easily accessible
Contact flood area representative
Ensure neighbours know of the warning.
Confirm location of relevant 4x4 vehicles
Be prepared for possible evacuation

Action during a flood - Inform emergency services and Environment Agency.
Position sandbags
Follow advice of local area rep.
Offer assistance to neighbours
Avoid culverts, gulleys, etc. which are flooded.
When safe to do so, make a written/photographic record of what is happening to inform future action.
Consider evacuation to Village Hall or neighbour's houses

Area 3 - as per Area 1

Area 4 - as per Area

Contact Information: Flood area volunteers and co-ordinators.

N.B. The risk of flooding will be reduced by regular inspection of gulleys and storm drains by **flood prevention volunteers**.

Storm drains are located at junction of bridle path (WL15/13) with Beech Tree Hill for **Area 1** and at junction of bridle path (WL15/8) and High St. for **Area 2**.

The relevant gulleys for **Area 1** are located down Beech Tree Hill and along the B3188 to junction with Backway.

For Area 2 the prime preventive action is to ensure that stream is not blocked, especially around areas of the bridges located at either end of Front St.

The relevant gulleys for **Area 3** are located down High St. to junction with B3188.

The relevant gulleys for **Area 4** are located at the junction of Combe Cross Hill and B3188.

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Contact information: emergency services, utilities and other resources.

Organisation	Contact	Resource
Fire Brigade	101 or 999	Rescue
Neighbourhood Police	101 or 999	Incident/Assistance
Western Power	0800 6783105	Power off
Environment Agency	0345 9881188	Flooding of stream
Somerset West & Taunton	0300 3048000	
Wessex Water	0345 600 4 600	Flooding of sewerage or blockage
EMN Community Hall	07966432225 Delia Brandwood	Evacuation
Notley Arms	656095 Simon Murphy	Accommodation
West Somerset Advice Bureau	0800 8021808	Advice
West Somerset Flood Group	brendamw49@gmail.com	Advice