

# Coastal Flooding



Some areas along the North Norfolk coast are at risk of periodic coastal flooding during storm conditions. The Environment Agency manages flood defences along the coastline as well as providing flood warning systems. This is supplemented by local 'Flood Warden' teams, co-ordinated by North Norfolk District Council (NNDC).



Floods along the coast generally occur in storm conditions when the sea rises above normal levels. When this occurs there is a risk that the sea can breach or overtop sea defences, causing flooding of the land behind.

## Helpful links

For more information about floods, risk and preparation, please see:

- North Norfolk District Council Flood Advice [www.northnorfolk.org/environment/19230.asp](http://www.northnorfolk.org/environment/19230.asp)
- Environment Agency Flood Advice [www.gov.uk/prepare-for-a-flood](http://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-a-flood)
- Environment Agency Flood Map [www.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby)
- Norfolk Resilience Forum [www.norfolkprepared.gov.uk](http://www.norfolkprepared.gov.uk)
- North Norfolk District Council Emergency Planning Department 01263 516172

**The Environment Agency also offers an early flood warning system. Sign up at [fwd.environment-agency.gov.uk/app/olr/home](http://fwd.environment-agency.gov.uk/app/olr/home) or call 0845 988 1188**

## Property Level Protection

Resilience measures can be undertaken by individuals to protect properties from flooding by installing Property Level Protection devices. This adaptive approach can prevent flood water from entering and damaging properties, businesses and infrastructure, making communities more resilient to flooding events.

**Flood Barriers** in a wide range of styles and sizes can be fitted to doorways, windows, garages and driveways to create a water tight seal and prevent floodwater from entering a property. Smaller barriers can also be fitted to air vents and air bricks on the outside of buildings to prevent flood water entering properties.



Flood barriers fitted to properties



**Mobile water pumps** can be used during and after flooding events to help remove flood water from a property. Pumps are most effective when used in conjunction with barrier measures which prevent flood water reentering a building once it has been removed.

For more information on Property Level Protection and how you can prepare your property for flooding please go to:

**The Flood Protection Association:**  
[thefpa.org.uk/residential-flooding/](http://thefpa.org.uk/residential-flooding/)

**Government advice on flooding and preparation:** [www.gov.uk/prepare-for-a-flood](http://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-a-flood)

**Non Return Valves (NRVs) and Non Return Flow Valves**

can be fitted to drains and pipes within properties to prevent flood water backing up and flooding buildings.



For more information concerning the coast, visit [www.northnorfolk.org/environment](http://www.northnorfolk.org/environment). Or contact the Coastal Management Team:  
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