





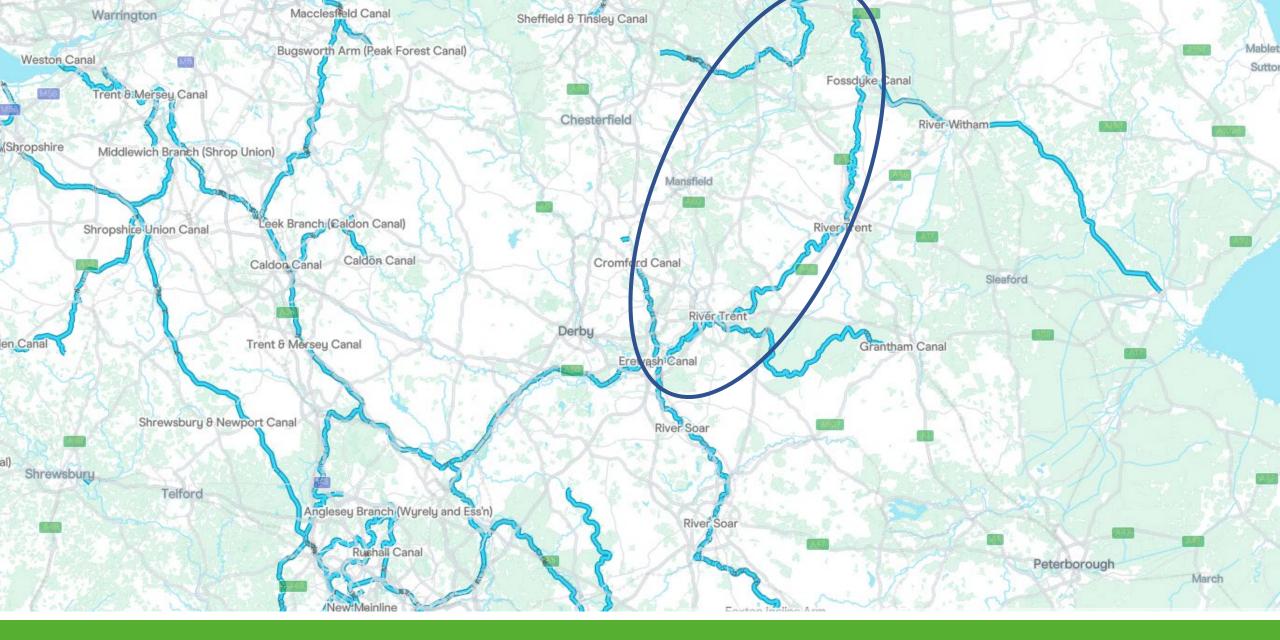








Flooding and weather emergencies masterclass





What happened in Nottinghamshire?

2 January

Yellow weather warning for rain.

3 January

Internal flooding and road closures.

4 January

Major incident declared as river levels increased and began to peak at levels similar to the highest ever recorded.

7 January

Communities continued to be affected and river levels began to show signs of falling.

6 January

The River Trent peaked at Torksey Lock at the highest level ever recorded and further communities were identified as at risk.

5 January

River Trent peak moved through Nottinghamshire and communities were evacuated.



What did we do?

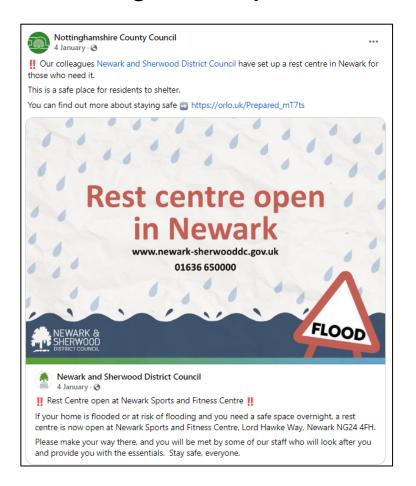
Initial warning and advice



Continued advice



Working with our partners





Declaring a major incident



A major incident has been declared along the River Trent in Nottinghamshire due to flooding and the risk of further flooding caused by Storm Henk.

Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Local Resilience Forum has taken the decision due to rising river levels along the River Trent, which is yet to peak.

We, alongside our partner agencies, are advising residents living along the Trent Valley to be prepared for flooding as latest forecasts show that river levels along the River Trent could come close to the highest levels on record from the year 2000.

So, how can you prepare for flooding? Well, we've got a few bits of advice for you 👇

CHECK - It's a good idea to check flood alerts and warnings in place for your area. You can also sign up to get alerts sent to you via text message.

https://orlo.uk/WarningsandAlerts_0sCvJ

THINK - If you live in an area at risk of flooding, consider whether you need to travel and only do so if necessary. You can find a full list of roads closed due to flooding on our disruption page https://orlo.uk/Disruption_PFt1c

X AVOID - Make sure to avoid swollen rivers and flood water and NEVER ignore road closure signs. We're hearing reports of people ignoring closure which have been put in place, so remember, we close roads for your safety.

☑ PLAN - Read our advice on preparing for a flood and what to do during a flood and make sure
that if you live in an area at risk of flooding that you are prepared to evacuate should you be
asked to do so.
☐ https://orlo.uk/Preparing_7BxS5

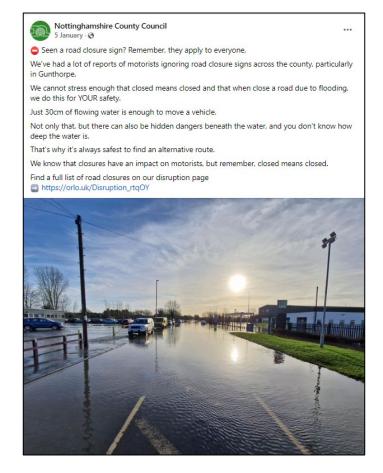
!! KNOW - Knowing what to do should a flood occur is really important and if there is an immediate risk to life or health, contact the emergency services by calling 999.

We know that you might be thinking 'the weather isn't bad at the moment so why are we talking about a major incident?' but the conditions over the last few days have caused high river levels on other rivers which feed into the River Trent. This then has an impact on the River Trent, resulting in high river levels in Notts.

Stay safe #Notts



Harder hitting messaging

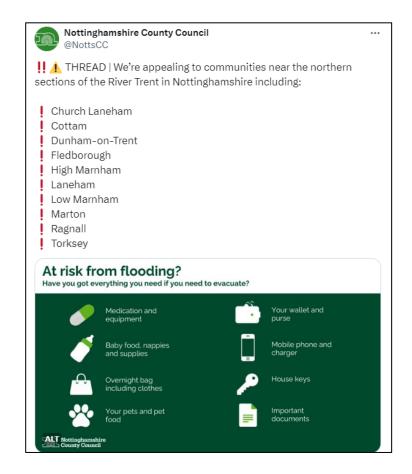


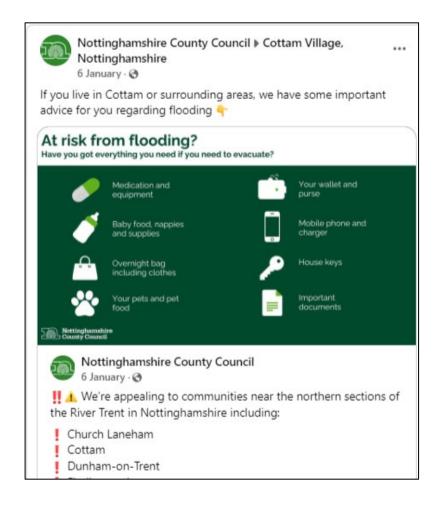
Showing that we're here



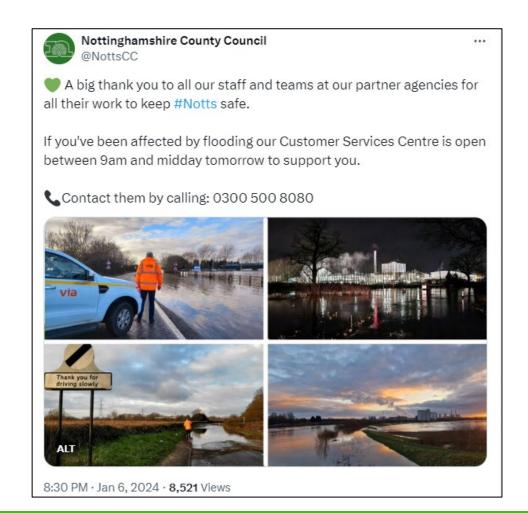


Targeting communities at risk





Finding some calm after the storm

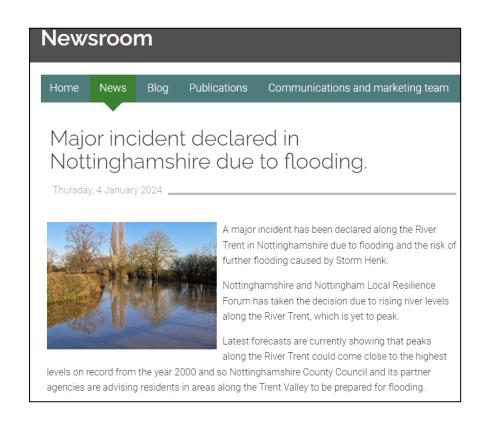






Press releases issued to Nottinghamshire media

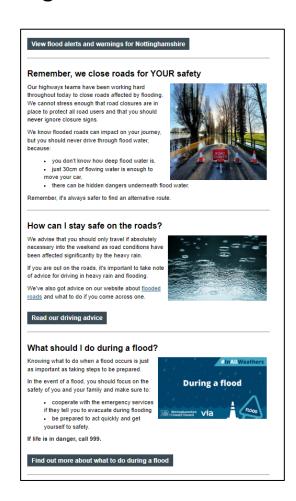






Email bulletins issued to flooding subscriber list















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What was the impact of our comms?

Channel	Impact	Key points
Social media	 706,588 people reached. 22,192 clicks across all posts. 2,000 shares. Top post reached 141,232 people. 	 Major incident post was the highest reaching post on social media for the last 12 months. This post also had the highest number of shares of any in the last 12 months at 466.
Emailme	 1,658 growth in subscribers. 54% open rate. 0 unsubscribes. 	 On average open rate is around the 30% mark. Bulletins normally see some unsubscribes. 70% engagement rate.
Press releases	 Two proactive press releases. National reach. 67 interview requests. 	Issued locally but picked up nationally.
Website	• 53,414 visits to the 'current disruption' page between 2 and 8 Jan.	 Top visited page is usually our jobs page with around 30,000 views on any given week.

What did we learn?

- You can't put a price on real photographs.
- Trust yourselves as the experts in comms.
- Further work needed on targeting smaller communities.
- Continue to develop our toolkit for partners.
- Rotating meetings is a positive.
- Looking at resourcing going forward.







