

Stocksfield Flood Wardens Needed



The Parish Council and the Environment Agency are calling on local people to play their part in Stocksfield by registering to volunteer as a Flood Warden.

Flood Wardens are the eyes and ears on the ground, they act as a link between the Environment Agency and communities at risk - getting vital information out to local residents.

The community has a flood contingency plan in the form of the Stocksfield Community Flood Plan, but needs new people to volunteer their time to ensure that the plan can be used effectively in the event of a flood. This is not a time consuming role, only requiring your support when flooding is possible and to ensure the plan remains up to date.

Flood Warden Groups exist throughout the country and help ensure the Environment Agency's flood warning messages reach the local community and are acted upon. North East wardens have a direct line through to the Environment Agency's Area Incident Room in Newcastle.

Outside of a flood event, they can help raise awareness of flooding issues in the local community, encourage people to register to receive free flood warnings and provide information to partners about vulnerable people or properties in the flood plain.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact clerk@stocksfieldpc.org.uk or Colin Hall (Flood Resilience Engagement Officer) at northeast_engagement@environment-agency.gov.uk.