

FOVANT PARISH COUNCIL

***FLOOD
PLAN***

ADOPTED BY Fovant Parish Council on the second day of September 2014.

Flood warning codes

The flood warning service has three types of warnings that will help you prepare for flooding and take action.

Flood Alert



- What it means** Flooding is possible. Be prepared.
- When it's used** Two hours to two days in advance of flooding.
- What to do** - Be prepared to act on your flood plan.
- Prepare a flood kit of essential items.
- Monitor local water levels and the flood forecast on our website.

Flood Warning



- What it means** Flooding is expected. Immediate action required.
- When it's used** Half an hour to one day in advance of flooding.
- What to do** - Move family, pets and valuables to a safe place.

- Turn off gas, electricity and water supplies if safe to do so.
- Put flood protection equipment in place.

Flood Warden for Fovant

Severe Flood Warning



What it means

Severe flooding. Danger to life.

When it's used

When flooding poses a significant

threat to life.

What to do

- Stay in a safe place with a means of escape.
- Be ready should you need to evacuate from your home.
- Co-operate with the emergency services.
- Call 999 if you are in immediate danger.

When warnings are no longer in force, it means that no further flooding is currently expected in your area and river or sea conditions are beginning to return to normal.

You can sign up for flood alerts by visiting the Environment Agency website;

<https://fwd.environment-agency.gov.uk/app/olr/home>

Flood Warden for Fovant

?? is the Flood Warden for Fovant and in the event of a flood will liaise and co-ordinate with Wiltshire Council and the local response team through the local control centre.

Telephone number tbc

Email tbc

With this plan we have provided several booklets published by the Environment Agency;

Living on the edge – a guide to riparian responsibilities

Drainage byelaws

Prepare your property for flooding

What to do before, during and after a flood.

Personal flood plan for you to complete.

Householders should ensure they have adequate supplies of sand and sandbags (or similar defence system) before flooding occurs.

Follow your personal flood plan.

Fovant Parish Council will keep an emergency supply of sand bags, sand and some road signs for immediate use. These can be obtained via the Flood Warden.

Villagers are asked to assist in the removal of weed and foreign matter on a monthly basis from the Brook, with EA approval. This will reduce the risk of flooding and improve normal flow.

The Flood Warden and Response team will;

- Support householders at immediate risk with labour, sandbags etc to minimise damage to property.

- Maintain a local flood report centre, logging all calls, directing the response team and maintaining lines of communication.
- Pass information acquired to enable future events to be better managed.

Fovant Parish Council will support any action aimed at reducing physical obstruction built into the Brook to facilitate better flow characteristics where possible.