

Report from Ryan Davies: LCC Flood Team Manager on 4/6/2026

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The following report provides a summary update regarding the below on-going investigations by Lincolnshire County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority:

1. Hydraulic modelling and optioneering investigations through Stantec UK Ltd
2. Village wide cleansing and CCTV inspection of highway drainage assets.

Hydraulic modelling and optioneering

Surveying of property thresholds and watercourses (including associated structures – minus culverts under the railway track) have now concluded and the results of which are currently being prepared by Maltby Land Surveys Ltd. I would like to offer my sincerest thanks to all those who provided their support and consent for the surveying works to take place and offer my apologies for any issues experienced in terms of receiving letters.

With respect to the culverts under the railway track, I advise that engagement with Network Rail is on-going and that it remains our intention to survey these structures as part of the above on-going investigation.

Before discussing next steps, concerns have been brought to my attention regarding identified properties potentially not having threshold surveys conducted. As far as I understand all threshold surveys (whereby permission was granted or could be confirmed on-site) have been conducted although changes in timescale and miscommunications between the different surveying teams may have occurred. Should anyone have concerns that their property was missed then I would advise that you get in contact with myself, following which I will engage with Maltby Land Surveys Ltd to confirm the position at the respective property. Whilst I understand that, due to changes in timescales, opportunities to speak with Maltby Land Surveys Ltd regarding previous flooding events may have been missed I must note that any such conversations would be best placed with either myself or colleagues within the Floods and Water team. The reason for this is that, upon conclusion of the surveying works, Maltby Land Surveys Ltd, will not be playing an active role in future stages of the project (as they were brought in to provide a specific service), that is of course unless further surveying works required. I apologise for any frustrations caused by the above but given the nature of the works timescales were always subject to change as previously advised.

Upon receipt and reviewing of this survey data, the next phase of these investigations will see the production of the hydraulic model for the study area which will enable the identification and high-level testing of options to explore their efficacy. All things being equal, and subject to resource availability and no major issues being experienced during the production or validation of the hydraulic model then it is currently anticipated that this phase of the investigation shall be concluded by end of this calendar year.

Further updates regarding timescales and progress will be provided through Ruskington Parish Council as it becomes pertinent to do so.

Village wide cleansing and CCTV

With respect to the village wide cleansing and CCTV inspection of highway drainage assets throughout Ruskington, works continue to progress in a positive manner. At the time of writing, we are in the process of co-ordinating arrangements for the cleansing and inspection of assets within the 'High Street' area including any estates and roads not encapsulated as part of works

previously undertaken. A high level extent of the works area for this phase is as per the attached, however, please note that this is subject to change.

To ensure that the above phase of works can be delivered safely, whilst maintaining traffic movement as far as practicable, traffic restrictions shall be in place during their completion. Where appropriate, works shall be completed in the evening (i.e., 18:30 hours onwards) and full details of any traffic restrictions and timescales will be provided to Ruskington Parish Council as they are finalised, alongside direct communications to those affected as necessary.

Following completion of the above works, the remaining four phases of cleansing and CCTV shall be programmed in as roadspace and contractor availability permits.

Once all works have concluded the outputs of the investigations shall then be reviewed and considered in accordance with the Council's Highways Infrastructure Asset Management Plan.

In closing, I trust that the above update outlines the current position of these works from a Lincolnshire County Council perspective, but should there be any queries or concerns specifically regarding the above then I would respectfully ask that these be directed to FloodRisk@lincolnshire.gov.uk in the first instance.

With respect to enquiries regarding the condition of Ruskington Beck and actions proposed or otherwise by the Environment Agency I would advise concerned residents to direct their enquiries towards the Agency as they are the most appropriate organisation to provide a response.

Yours sincerely,

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