

The projects main priority is to enable a reduction in the risk of flooding within the city of Kingston upon Hull from the River Hull, the current defences that are in place are of a poor condition and in some cases nearly as old as 200 years. Often something that is taken for granted by businesses and residents, the flood defences are in serious need of repair and or restoration. The defences have been neglected over time, once the responsibility of those businesses that operated on the bank side; now sit beneath derelict buildings or low value companies that simply do not have the money to invest in preserving the defences. Thus an overhaul has been long overdue and has been on the environment agency's radar for some time. Work is now taking shape as we see the completion of the new defences fully in place at the Stoneferry site (as pictured above).

On Saturday 20th October Hull played host the Hulltimate Challenge which aimed to create awareness that Hull's level of flood risk is second only to London, following on from the 2007 floods where over 11,000 residents and 1,300 businesses were affected and although significant progress has been made the risk remains high. The event was the brainchild of the Living With Water partnership consisting of Yorkshire Water, Hull City Council, East Riding Council and the Environment Agency. Flood protection and resilience is important to anyone living and working in the area hence the River Hull Defences works which all ties in. The aim behind the weekend was to raise awareness about flooding in and around Hull and the East Riding, and steps residents can take to better prepare for flooding.



Funding (£)

LGF	£1,000,000
Environment Agency	£27,589,476
ERDF	£3,405,500
Total	£31,994,976

Outputs

Area of land with reduced flood risk (ha)	5546
Number of dwellings with reduced flood risk	1179
Commercial floor space with reduced flood risk (m ²)	400000
Construction Jobs	150

