

Extra £100,000 flood relief funding is in the pipeline!



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During their meeting today, Members of Cotswold District Council's Cabinet announced their intention of providing a further £100,000 to flood relief schemes across the District, particularly the ongoing project at Moreton-in-Marsh.

Provided this proposal is endorsed when the Council meets next week, residents in Moreton-in-Marsh will be assured that sufficient funding is in place to complete the final stage of flood prevention works in the town even though costs have increased due to adverse working conditions. Additionally, the extra money will support flood relief schemes in Broadwell, Fairford, Poulton, and Southrop.

Commenting on the proposal, Cabinet Member for the Environment, Cllr Sue Coakley, said:

"We have reached a crucial stage in the ongoing Moreton project and we can assure residents that we are moving towards completion of this comprehensive scheme. We also want to press on with smaller scale projects in Broadwell, Fairford, Poulton, and Southrop, and I am sure that this extra funding will be welcomed by locals who live in those areas. I should point out that the additional funding will provide excellent value for money because it will also enable us to attract partnership funding from the county council and other agencies.

"We have come so far since the devastating floods of 2007 – and ten years on we can rightly say that the District is in much better shape to withstand extremely adverse

weather. Nevertheless, there is always more to do and we continue to treat flood defence as a priority issue.”

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