



# Supporting Communities that Remain at Risk

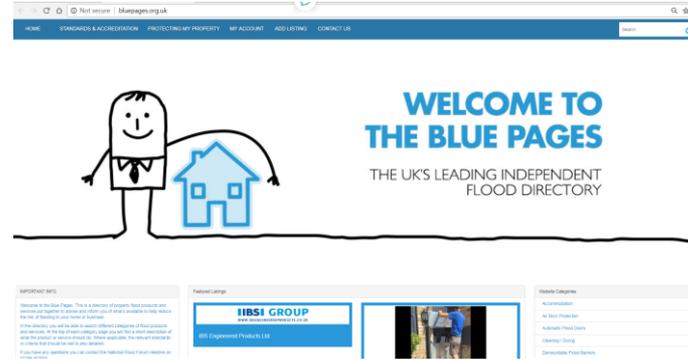
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# Annual maintenance program



- Our maintenance work runs from 15th June to the end of March
- We have to comply with the countryside wildlife act along with other legal requirements
- We need to balance the needs of the environment with the needs of flood risk (water voles, nesting birds)
- Public safety is our priority

# Property Level Protection



# Supporting Communities Remaining at Risk

To establish, with partners, a national capability to deliver temporary interventions immediately before or during incidents to reduce flooding of residential and business communities, minimising risk to life, direct damage to property and aiding recovery.

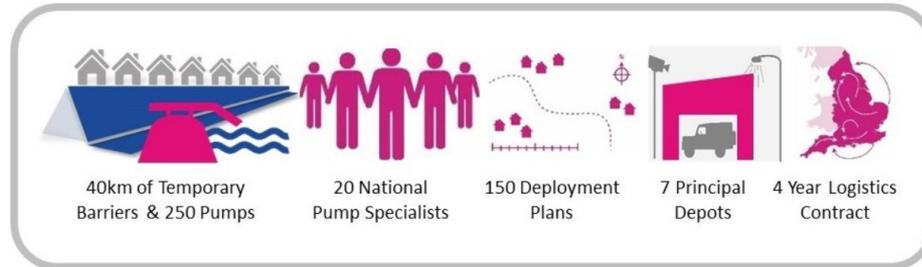


# More than just temporary defences



# Operational improvements this winter

- ➔ Contract and training in place for extra contractor support
- ➔ Discussions with Hampshire Fire and Rescue service training
- ➔ National stocks of flood response equipment good at the moment
- ➔ Closely monitoring local stocks of Sandbags and fuel but good at the moment



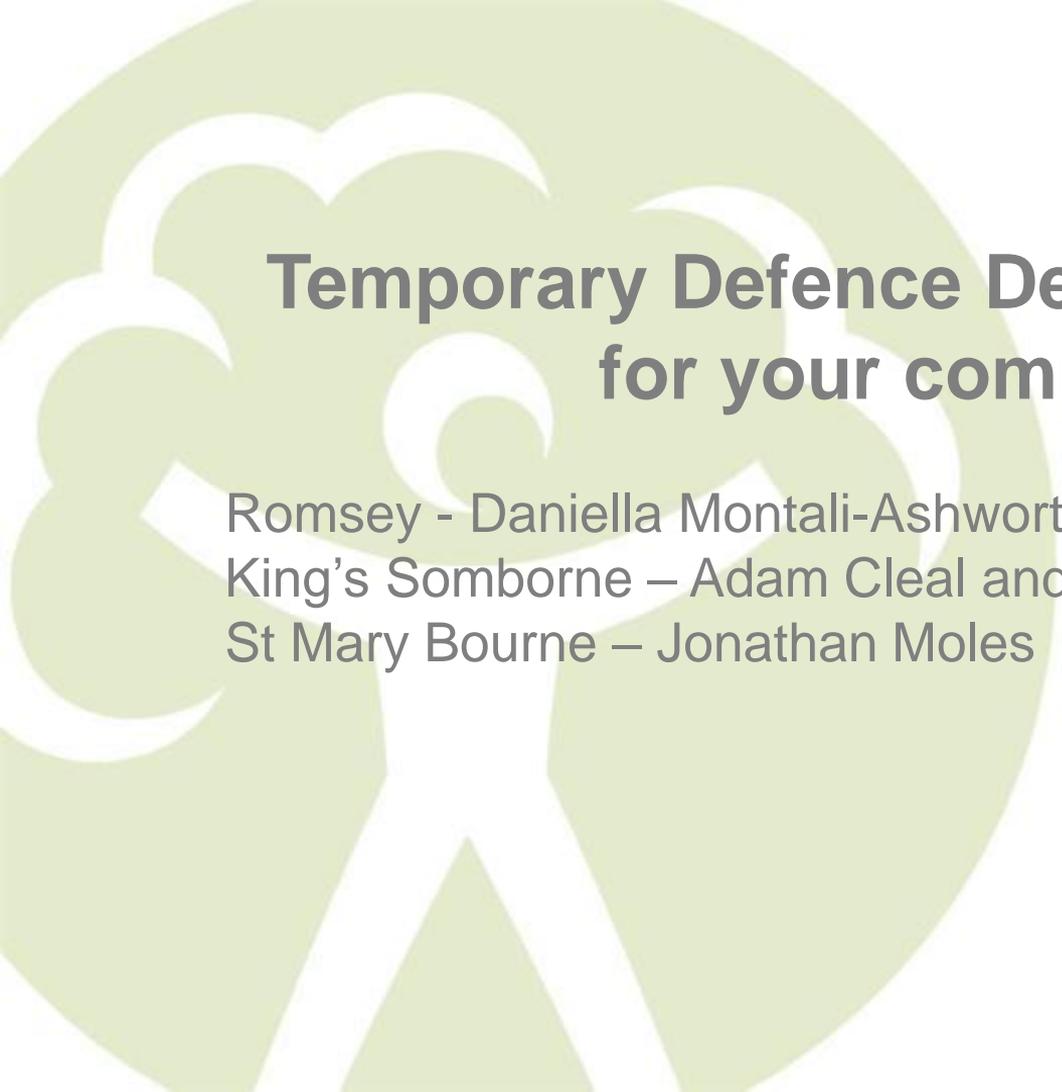
# Temporary defence deployment plans caveats

- These plans are in place to help reduce impacts from flooding in areas at flood risk but not likely to get a permanent scheme or while waiting for a scheme to be delivered.
- They are in addition to community efforts to protect their own property, **not a replacement** to the need to have your own property level protection measures in place
- They are written on a **'best endeavours' approach**. This is something we could do, but are not legally compelled to do. The decision to activate them, and in which order will be based on highest risk priority, available resources at the time and availability of the equipment from the National stockpile
- Each plan involves a significant commitment of resource both in terms of people and equipment along with complex logistical planning to ensure timely delivery.
- In a large area/ countrywide event resources will be stretched and decision to deploy/ not to deploy will be made firstly internally with our National Incident Room who have oversight of all incident response activity and resources across the organisation and then with our professional partners at the Tactical/Strategic coordinating groups.
- We cannot do this in isolation and may need support from Partners and Communities to help deliver this on the ground.
- Weather conditions, current level of flooding and changes to the on the ground situation can all affect the viability of any deployment.
- We will, where possible, engage with you to discuss any decision and what the next steps could be.

Questions?

**Please give us your feedback -**

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# Temporary Defence Deployment Plans for your community

Romsey - Daniella Montali-Ashworth and Ian Tripp  
King's Somborne – Adam Cleal and Artur Podsiadly  
St Mary Bourne – Jonathan Moles