

# Is your community prepared?

## Do you have a Community Flood Warden?

It is recommended that every parish should have at least 2-3 wardens, not just those who have a large river, brook or watercourse running through their area.

During Storm Dennis and Ciara, Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland saw large amounts of flooding including areas that are not normally affected. This was due to the saturated ground, heavy rain deposits and limited dry spells.

To find out what areas are at risk within your parish we recommend you visit the environment agency Flood maps for surface water and river flooding. See link below

<https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/long-term-flood-risk/map>

In partnership with the Environment Agency, your local authorities are running three (3) training sessions for anyone wishing to learn more about becoming a Community Flood Warden. See further details below

- 18:00—20:00, 8th September, Virtual MS Teams
- 18:00—20:00, 16th September, Coalville, NW Leics (*First Come First Served, limited capacity*)
- 18:00—20:00, 22nd September, Virtual MS Teams




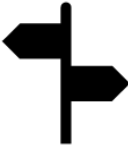



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# What is a Community Flood Warden?

Tasks you might be asked to do:

	Monitor local conditions	
	Distribute flood related information to residents and raise awareness of the local community of the flood risk.	
	Encourage residents to sign up to the Environment Agency Flood Warning System	
	Sign post residents to responsible authorities	
	Raise assistance requirements to responsible authorities on behalf of the local community	
	Report number of flooded properties to responsible authorities	
	Gather information on the current conditions and report to responsible authorities	

Community Flood Wardens should never place themselves in a position where their own personal safety is at risk, including:

- entering any flood water
- clearing of blocked drains, gullies, ditches or watercourses.
- attempting any rescue operations