

Funding for Flood Protection

Many of us remember the devastating impacts of the floods we sadly suffered at Christmas in 2013. This ruined lives and flooded homes and businesses. Many are still dealing with the after effects today.

I have been pressing the Government for the past three years, and have worked closely with the Environment Agency and our local councils. Today I am delighted that the Government have listened to our arguments and are investing over £4.5 million in a scheme which will protect over 2,300 homes and 283 existing businesses from flooding along our part of the River Medway. This announcement will also help create over 13 hectares of new employment land, previously threatened by floods.

This is great news for our community and as the work takes place over the next few years, it should help safeguard us from flooding in the future. I am pleased that our work to create a convincing case has been rewarded, and look forward to work starting soon.