

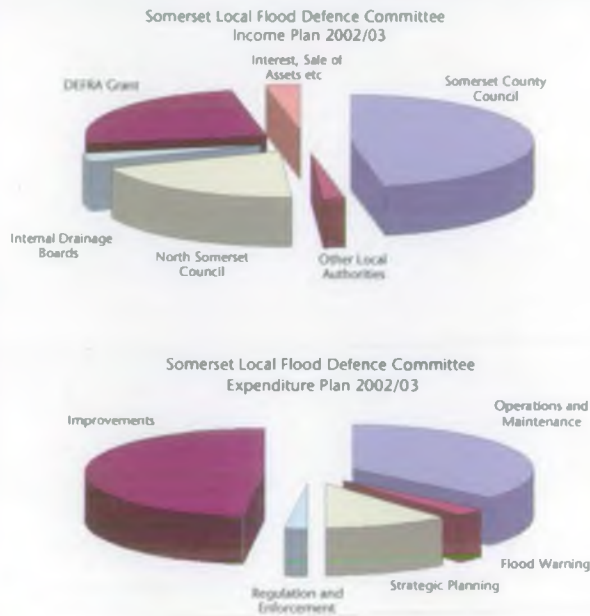


Making an impact on the ground

Key Achievements in 2002 - Somerset area

GENERAL

- Programme of investigations into potential improvements at pumping stations on the River Tone and tributaries in Taunton, Washford River, Watchet, Wellington and Kingsbury Episcopi.



THE PARRETT CATCHMENT PROJECT

The Environment Agency has played a major active part in the completion of actions in the Parrett Catchment Water Management Strategy Action Plan, published in March 2002. The Agency was also influential in obtaining the € 2.5 million funding from Europe.



Uphill sluice

THE CATCHMENT FLOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN (CFMP)

The Parrett CFMP is the first national pilot to reach draft final plan, and its production has influenced national guidelines. By the end of this financial year, inception reports will be complete for the Brue and Axe, North Somerset Rivers and West Somerset Rivers.

SEA DEFENCES

- **Stear to Stolford:** Catsford Common shingle hauling to recharge ridge low area.
- **Stolford:** Installation of 50-metre length armour stone to main defences.

NORTH SOMERSET

- **Banwell River:** Dredged.
- **Blakes sea defences:** Monitoring of Blakes Pool and possible major scheme for the future.
- **Blind Yeo Sluice:** Major refurbishments carried out.
- **Congresbury Yeo:** Gate and fencing repairs and Service Level Agreement maintenance.
- **Gooseum Rhyne Congresbury Yeo:** Floodbank repairs.
- **Hurditches sea wall:** Repairs to main defence embankment facing.
- **Land Yeo:** Jacklands Bridge floodbank repairs.
- **Portbury Ditch:** Dredging and gates and fencing replaced.
- **Sand Bay:** Tidal defence work carried out.
- **Sandy Rhyne:** Gate and fencing work carried out.
- **Tree vegetation:** Pioneering scheme on B3133 to M5 motorway.
- **Uphill sluice:** Major refurbishment planned for March 2003 and new hinges fitted to outfall flap May 2002.
- **Wick St Lawrence:** Floodbank repairs.



Hawkcombe Stream lower shingle trap

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The Water Master dredging the River Parrett



Church Bridge, Bruton

STONE

- **New Bridge to Knapp Bridge:** Left bank strengthening.
- **Baltmoor Wall:** Flood defence scheme completed.
- **Stanmoor bank:** Flood defence scheme completed.
- **Hookbridge spillway:** 300 metres of temporary raising of spillway.
- **Curload:** Silt removal under overhead wires.
- **Tree and blockage removal at Bradford-on Tone, Taunton, Hele Bridge and Creech St Michael** and raising the low areas of flood bank at Firepool.
- **Creech St Michael:** Repairs to flood defence wall.
- **Currymoor pumping station:** Refurbishment of eaves to ensure building watertight and repairs to Archimedean screw.
- **Ham flood defence scheme:** Outfall pipe and culvert clearance.
- **Bathpool:** Replacement of flap door.

PARRETT

- **Parrett:** Dredging between New House Farm and Burrowbridge.
- **Northmoor and Andersea:** Emergency bank repairs.
- **Emergency piling works at Saltmoor and Rose Cottage and Wickmoor.**
- **Emergency bank repairs at Saltmoor pumping station.**
- **Oath:** Bank revetment.
- **Westover:** Bank repairs.
- **Langacre Rhyne:** Emergency bank repairs.
- **West Sedgemoor:** Bank repairs.
- **Westonzoyland pumping station:** Construction of access.
- **Decoy Rhyne:** Bank repairs.
- **King's Sedgemoor Drain:** Repairs to bank at Dunball.
- **Long Sutton Catchwater:** Dredging.
- **Huish Episcopi pumping station:** Upgrade of security fencing.
- **River Yeo:** Repairs on Yeovilton flood defence scheme.
- **Ablake:** Repairs to sluice.
- **Barwick Stream:** Repairs to flood wall at Stoford.
- **Cam at West Camel:** Dredging of bypass channel.

BRUE

- **Bruton:** Silt removal at Church Bridge.
- **Highbridge Clyse:** Construction of new access.
- **Mark Yeo:** Construction of new tilting weir structure at Stook House, replacing original structure.
- **Barton St David:** Dredging of Barton and Lydford Millstream.



Baltmoor Wall

WEST SOMERSET

- **Hawcombe Stream, Porlock:** Repairs to flood walls and shingle traps upstream of Porlock village.
- **Monksilver Stream, Williton to Swill Bridge:** Watercourse maintenance.
- **Doniford Stream:** Watercourse maintenance.
- **Minehead beach, Minehead sea defences:** Sand redistribution.

FLOOD WARNING

Work continues in encouraging the development of flood warden schemes in localities such as Queen Camel, Williton, Congresbury, Burrowbridge, North Curry, Creech St Michael, and Ruishton. In addition to checking the details of individuals already on the Automated Voice Messaging (AVM) service, residents within the indicative floodplain in Bruton, locations on the Cam, Creech St Michael, Norton Fitzwarren, Ruishton and Sherborne have been offered the direct flood warning service.

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