Community Profile: Clifton and Rawcliffe

The flood cell is situated to the East of the Rawcliffe and Clifton Ings, and the left bank of the River Ouse from the Northernmost part of Rawcliffe (to the A64 ring road) down to Scarborough Bridge. It also includes Clifton from Copping Farm down to Scarborough Bridge.

In flood risk terms the area benefits from the flood storage areas of the Rawcliffe and Clifton Ings, along with raised ground and some drainage structures also (with control mechanisms). Flood warning services are provided at Rawcliffe for the River Ouse.

There are currently no flood wardens for this area, however there are individual emergency plans in place for Clifton and Rawcliffe.

We estimate that around 280 residential properties are currently at risk of flooding from the River Ouse within this area during a 1% (1 in 100 year) flood event. This may rise to 600 due to climate change.

What work may be possible?

- Raise the Clifton Ings Barrier Bank and extend into high ground
- ✓ Install a permanent pumping station at Blue Beck
- Raise ground adjacent to river outside of Government House Road properties
- ✓ Raise the existing embankment at St Olaves school
- ✓ Extend the flood defence from Lower Bootham
- Replace the pumping station at Burdyke Beck as well as increase the pumping capacity and install extra pumps
- Replace and raise floodwall along Almery Terrace and install new floodgates

