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Lavant Parish Council  
Lavant Memorial Hall  
Pook Lane  
East Lavant  
West Sussex  
PO18 0AH

Date: 12/05/2023

Dear Lavant Parish Council,

**Lavant Green Temporary Defence Management Plan**

*The Environment Agency is responsible for taking a strategic overview of the management of all sources of flooding and coastal erosion. The Agency also has operational responsibility for managing the risk of flooding from main rivers, reservoirs, estuaries and the sea and through its permissive powers has the power to undertake works.*

In accordance with these statutory duties and powers, we have undertaken a comprehensive review of our operational activities relating to the deployment of temporary barriers contained within our Temporary Defence Management Plans (TDMP). This review was to ensure all our pre-planned temporary barrier deployments remain safe to deploy and operate, feasible and continue to offer a benefit to communities.

This review has shown that the barrier deployment previously planned at Lavant Green is no longer considered suitable to deploy and assisting properties to develop their own personal flood plan, would be more effective.

Therefore, we have decided that the TDMP at Lavant Green will be permanently withdrawn with immediate effect.

We recognise that represents a change in the operational response you may have been expecting and we would be happy to discuss this matter further with you. We will also be contacting the affected homeowners directly to inform them of our decision.



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Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Claire Francis".

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