

Changes to Acaster Malbis Flood Warnings

The EA has been reviewing all **Flood Warnings** in this area and in future we will have a separate warning for Acaster, instead of being combined with Naburn.

After consultation with affected residents, via the flood warden, the current level of **3.9m** will be increased to **4.0m** – This will be relevant for all riverside properties and alert Moor End residents that their sewage pumping station may be switched off.

A new second warning will be issued if the level is expected to reach 5.0m – This level is a major flood event and will trigger the village Emergency plan. Flooding on Mill Lane can leave a large number of residents stranded.

To Clarify:

Flood Alerts – Non-urgent notifications: issued between 6am and 9pm

Flood Warnings – Urgent notifications: issued 24hours a day as soon as they predict the trigger level may be reached. This can mean being disturbed in the middle of the night.

We were hoping to have a village **Flood Alert** if the level is expected to reach 3.1m as this would indicate that the road via the Ship Inn is going to be impassable. This could have been used by residents, the Bus Company and regular delivery drivers who use this route.

Unfortunately we cannot have our own alerts. The EA offered to set this up as a Warning but that would make it unsuitable for most residents because of disruptive night time calls.

The Environment Agency will send leaflets to all residents at the end of May, explaining the changes. Anyone who needs any more information, help registering for warnings or flooding advice please contact the council's clerk. Matt Davies. 01904 702131 or the village flood warden.