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IDBs Working in your Community

This note explains why you may see Internal Drainage Board (IDB) staff and their partners working in your community.

Following government advice we are clear that the safety of everyone is our priority. We are also clear that much of our work has been identified as essential by the government and they are keen for us to continue to do much of this, where it remains safe to do so.

You may see our staff and their partners continue to maintain many of our critical assets. These are the grids, drains, pump stations and critical embankments that protect many homes and businesses. You may also see us trying to continue to work on our projects that are building new flood defence or other critical assets for your protection. In all of these cases, our people have been trained on social distancing and will not put anyone at risk. If the work cannot be done safely the work it will stop.

We anticipate all our work will be impacted by the controls we and government have put in place, this is likely to mean that completion dates for new projects will slip and other key activities may take place at less regular intervals.

We hope this provides you reassurance that where you see our people and partners they will be working safely and ultimately looking to maintain progress on work that will better protect your community.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of the Shire Group of IDBs,



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