

Great Ecclestone Flooding

Accessing areas in the Village

During heavy rain and possible flooding certain areas of the village tend to collect water and therefore become impassable. This document shows the ways in which you can by-pass the flooded areas safely.

Three areas of the village tend to flood during heavy rain/flooding

- Raikes Road by the Moon's Funeral Parlour
- Copp Lane by the Dovecote
- Lancaster Avenue (when the pump stops working)

The important rule is not to drive through the flood water if at all possible. If you have to then drive slowly. Modern cars have their air intake low down on the vehicle.

Also heed all road closed signs, they are placed there for a reason. During the St Michael's floods cars were seen driving past the Police to 'look at the floods'. Some of the drivers were local and should have known better.

If Raikes Road is flooded and you need access to Lancaster Avenue area then turn right onto Pennine way then left onto Chester Avenue this takes you to York Drive. If the river is flooded then the flood water will be on York Drive.

If you need access to the main road and Raikes Road is flooded then turn round and drive back through the village and onto the main road.

If Copp Lane is flooded then the best course of action is to turn road and travel via the main road to Windy Harbour. However Beech Road in Elswick is prone to flooding so you may need to take Copp Lane entrance from Elswick.

If Lancaster Avenue is flooded then do not attempt to drive into the road as you will need to drive through flood water. Pedestrian access is available from Lancaster Close.