

Raising Awareness of the risk of flooding in Sutton By Dover Parish

Is your home at risk of flooding?

- Over 5 million homes and businesses in England are at risk of flooding *Is yours one of them?*
- The average cost of flood damage to a home is £30,000, and the mental health impacts are long lasting
- You could be out of your home for an average of *5 months*.
- Crucially taking steps to prepare for flooding can reduce the damage to your home and possessions by around 40%.

With winter fast approaching, now is the ideal time to check if you're at risk of flooding: [gov.uk/check-flooding](https://www.gov.uk/check-flooding)

How can you prepare?

- Sign up for warnings at [gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings](https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings)
- Create a flood plan [gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding](https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding)
- Find out how to protect your property here [nationalfloodforum.org.uk](https://www.nationalfloodforum.org.uk)
- Check your insurance to see if you are covered
- Have a flood kit of essential items at home
- For help and advice call **Floodline free on 0345 988 1188**.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO IN A FLOOD?

FLOOD ALERT **PREPARE**

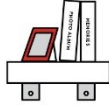


Pack medicines & insurance docs



Visit the flood warning information service

FLOOD WARNING **ACT**



Move things upstairs or to safety



Turn off gas, water & electricity



Move family, pets & car to safety

SEVERE FLOOD WARNING **SURVIVE**



Follow emergency services' advice



Immediate danger?
Call 999



Stay safe

Visit: check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/plan-ahead-for-flooding

Help make a difference in your community and help in times of flooding - sign up to become a volunteer Flood Warden:

<https://www.kentprepared.org.uk/flood-wardens>