

# Alconbury Brook and Ellington Brook flood warning changes

## Overview

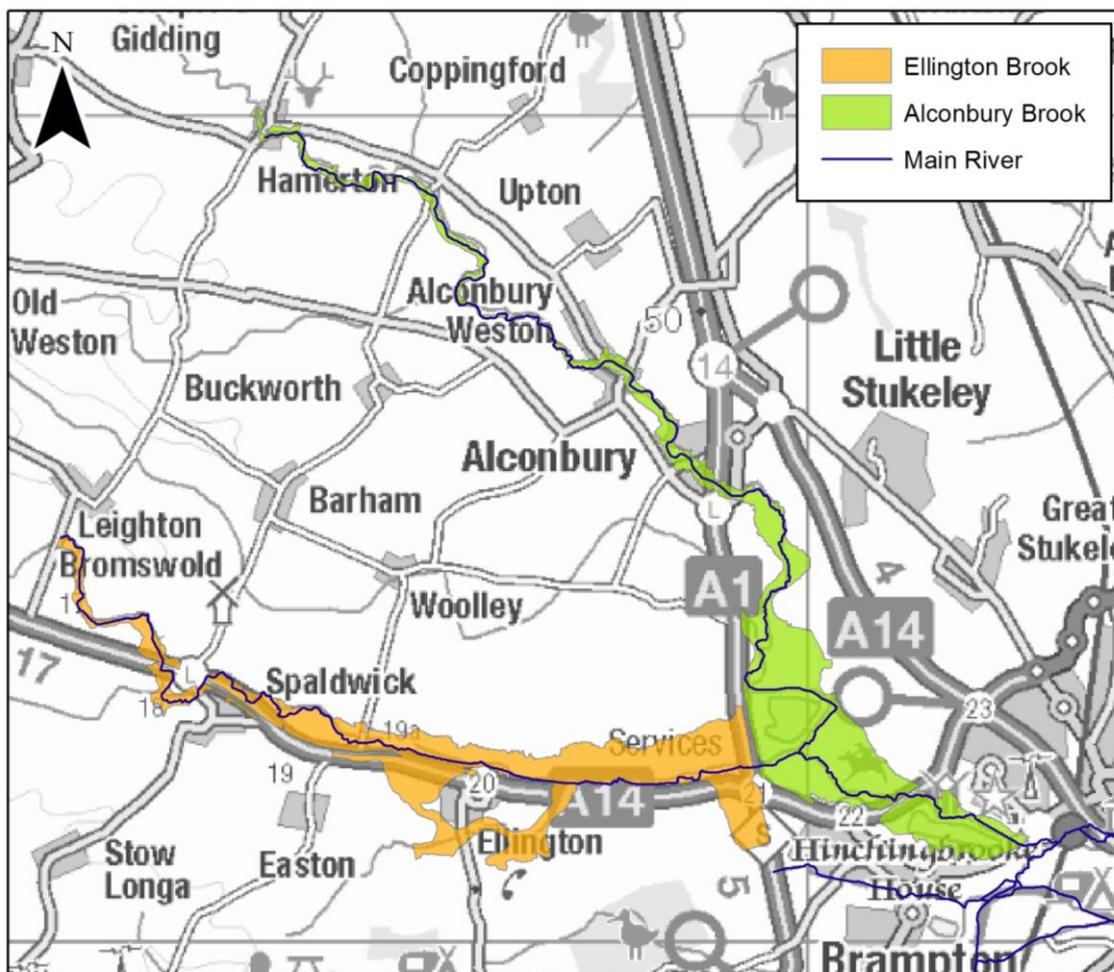
Currently, there is one flood warning area for 'Ellington, Hamerton and the Alconburys'. We are constantly looking at ways to improve our flood warning service, therefore in early December 2019 we will be making changes to this flood warning area. From this date the warning area will be divided into two separate flood warning areas, one for the Alconbury Brook and one for the Ellington Brook. This factsheet will outline the changes and explain why they have been made.

## Why is this change happening?

Whilst the Alconbury and Ellington brooks are adjacent, they are very different catchments and react to rainfall in different ways. When one brook is at a level to flood properties, it does not necessarily mean that the other brook is as well. A separate flood warning for the Alconbury and Ellington Brooks means that we can provide a more accurate and informative service to customers.

## Where are the new flood warning areas?

The new flood warning areas cover the following locations:



## What are the details of the new flood warning areas?

The details for the new flood warning areas are:

Flood warning area name:	Ellington Brook at Spaldwick, Ellington and Brampton
Flood warning area description:	High Street in Spaldwick, Thrapston Road and Spinney Field in Ellington, and Great North Road in Brampton
Floodline quick dial number:	312310
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Flood warning area name:	Alconbury Brook at Hamerton, Alconbury Weston and Alconbury
Flood warning area description:	Hamerton, High Street, Willow Farm Close, Hamerton Road, Spires End and North Road in Alconbury Weston, Great North Road, Mill Road, Brookside, Sharps Lane, High Street and Maple End in Alconbury, and Huntingdon Racecourse
Floodline quick dial number:	312309

Both flood warning areas will continue, as before, to be triggered by water levels at the gauge in Hamerton on the Alconbury Brook. However, the Ellington Brook flood warning area will eventually be triggered by water levels at the gauge at Molesworth on the Ellington Brook.

## Will I be signed up to receive the new flood warnings?

- If you are currently signed up to receive flood warnings and your property is within the boundary of one of the new flood warning areas, then you will automatically be signed up to receive the relevant flood warning message. You do not need to do anything.
- If you are currently signed up to receive flood warnings and your property is not within the boundary of one of the new flood warning areas, you will automatically be signed up to receive the flood warning message for the brook that your property is closest to. You do not need to do anything.
- If you are signed up to receive flood warnings, but were not previously within the boundary of the current flood warning area and are not within the boundary of either of the new flood warning areas, then you will automatically be signed up to receive both of the new flood warning messages. You do not need to do anything.

## Will I be informed when the changes have been made?

Yes. We will send letters to all customers currently signed up to receive the flood warning for 'Ellington, Hamerton and the Alconburys', explaining how these changes will affect them.

## Where can I find out more?

If you are not currently signed up to receive any flood warnings, or would like to change the flood warnings that you receive, please call Floodline on 0345 988 1188 after the changes are made in early December 2019. For any further information please email [flood.resilience.eastanglia.cb@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:flood.resilience.eastanglia.cb@environment-agency.gov.uk).

**customer service line**      **03708 506 506**

**incident hotline**            **0800 80 70 60**

**floodline**                    **03459 88 11 88**

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