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Submission details

I am making this submission as A resident in a flood-affected area

Submission type I am making a personal submission

Consent to make submission public I give my consent for this submission to be made public

Share your experience or tell your story

Your story Having experienced moderate flooding and Friday the 26th we were nervous with the amount of rainfall falling on the Saturday and the Sunday preparing everything down in her sheds not even thinking of a house as it was inflatable preparing and lifting metre of the 74 only to wake at 1 a.m. on Monday the 28th in shock and disbelief to see the shed nearly at that level

already we waited down through the water in the dark and the cold to try and let further and get what we could out of the shed been yelling to my husband we must get out at chesty as our daughter was still up in the house asleep and we must go and warn neighbours all the streets around us was still oblivious to the height and was still asleep then going and waking and helping many neighbours and trying to get some Neighbours out just as their house was about to go under our daughter woke terrified and Shining the torch down as she knows mum and dad go to shed to lick things and just keep an eye during a flood screaming out as Mum and Dad we're not coming out of the shed and thinking we had ground only for me hearing her at the neighbour's I then called out where ok we need to help people by 5 a.m. it was at our Baxter we still had about a metre and a half until the house and it was a complete race peering at her windows as we tried to lift and move as much as we desperately could in such a short amount of time watching our neighbours leave with just their bags and their children it was one of the most horrific terrifying experiences as text a Welling as I tell you this story reliving the whole experience makes me so emotional amaira many many words of the nice water ruined my family day care business and went right through our house and completely went over the roof of our carports and my husband shed we lost lots yelling out to my husband I remember saying they think it's going to get to 12.4 now 13 now unknown how could we lift when it was unknown and it was a complete Race Against Time

Terms of Reference (optional)

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1.2 Preparation and planning

We had prepared the house was built in 1887 at Withers Street Bexhill the highest blood on record only went a metre into the shed and we had lifted a metre above that as we do with every

flood we thought we were well prepared

1.3 Response to floods

I everyone was overwhelmed at the time it was one of the most frightening terrifying experiences of my life and he has left her rather big scarr

1.5 Recovery from floods

Not quite sure if we will ever fully recover there is still so much to do a lot of the services have left us in the lurch with still lots to move and clean up there is still so much to do and we are left hanging and in the lurch we feel very deserted

1.6 Any other matters

People politician saying everything is 90% cleaned up and done I don't think we are even at 50% some of us have tried to go back to work to earn some income and try and get back to normality for our children eccetera there is still so much to clean up and debris etc we were promised so much we are months away but the mental and physical scars will probably stick their forever

Supporting documents or images
