

KENDAL ORAL HISTORY GROUP INTERVIEW 0326F

Kendal Flood December 2015 project interview

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Interview recorded June 1916

326F Summary Sheet

Track 1, pp. 1-2

At work at Furmanite on the day of the flood. It rained throughout the day.

They were working in the workshop (two bays of the large building).

Details of the minor flooding that took place here during the November 2015 storm.

Describes how the water rose during the day of 5 December.

Abandoned the workshops in the late afternoon.

Managed to get home on Kendal Parks in his 4-wheel drive car.

His colleague unable to get home. Stayed at Castle Green Hotel.

Track 2, p.3

At lunchtime on 5 December the Jubilee Field was flooded and someone was canoeing in the water.

Track 3, p. 3

Houses on Hallgarth were flooded due to drainage problems.

There had been five feet of water in the Furmanite workshops at the height of the flood.

Description of a complex journey to Shap Road from Kendal Parks via Paddy Lane

Track 4, p.4

Returned to work on the Monday after the flood.

Description of the damage caused by the flood.

Had to move equipment into various storage facilities to have it cleaned and sterilised.

The flooding badly affected the business.

Traffic problems.