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Communities asked to prepare for coastal flooding

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The [Environment Agency](#) has issued a Precautionary Evacuation Notice (PEN) flood warning for Hunstanton, Heacham and Snettisham. These flood warnings cover caravans and properties that lie between the two sea defences on the West Norfolk Coast from Snettisham to Hunstanton.

### **High tide and strong winds**

The flood warnings have been issued because the combination of a high tide due at 8.40am tomorrow (Tuesday 1 October) and north-westerly winds up to force 6 could result in flooding.

People should leave caravans and properties in the area between the hours of 7am and 10am on Tuesday 1 October and not return until it is safe to do so. They are also urged to take with them any medication, pets and anything urgent that they may require over the next 48 hours. The evacuation is precautionary and is issued to allow an orderly and safe evacuation.

If a rest centre is required, then one will be opened a couple of hours before high water is due. For rest centre details, please contact [King's Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council](#) on 01553 616200.

### **Take care on the coast**

People are advised to take care along beaches, promenades, coastal footpaths and roads as large waves and sea spray could be dangerous, and to follow advice from emergency services.

People living in the affected areas should call Floodline on 0345 988 1188 for the latest flood warnings in their area. For up-to-date information, tune into local radio and TV stations and keep an eye on local weather conditions.

Flood warnings are updated every 15 minutes on the [Environment Agency website](#), where you can also sign up to receive flood warnings and alerts straight to your phone.

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## **HMNB Clyde selected for first UK military accommodation trial**

Scotland's largest military establishment, the HM Naval Base in Clyde, has been selected as the first UK test site for a study that could change the way soldiers, sailors and aircrew are housed.

The 3,400 submariners, sailors and Royal Marines based at (HMNB Clyde) have been selected as the first UK personnel who could benefit from the Future Accommodation Model (FAM) pilot study.

The FAM pilot will provide financial support to service personnel at HMNB Clyde who want to rent or buy a home within a 50 mile radius of the Base, giving personnel more choice where and with whom they can live.

Service personnel can also still choose to live in the onsite single living accommodation or family accommodation, such as the Churchill Housing Estate in Helensburgh.

Minister for Defence People and Veterans, Johnny Mercer MP said:

Today's launch is the latest step in providing greater choice and more flexibility to our armed forces in how they live and work.

Expanding accommodation options underlines our commitment to continuing to be an employer that meets the changing needs and expectations of service personnel and their families.

The (MOD) is committed to better balancing a career in the Armed Forces with modern family life.

Rear Admiral Mike Bath, Naval Secretary, Assistant Chief of Naval Staff launching the pilot said:

As part of the wider Armed Forces' programme to modernise for the 21st Century, HM Naval Base Clyde was chosen for this first pilot study due to its strategic importance for Royal Navy operations. This includes the relocation of 1,700 submariners from Devonport to the Clyde, as the Scottish site becomes the Royal Navy's single integrated submarine operating base from 2020.

We anticipate that more submariners and their families will choose to move permanently to the West of Scotland, to live, work and put down roots, safe in the knowledge that their careers will be focused on a single site in Scotland which provides for all of their training, operational and support needs.

The pilot study will be extended to a total of three sites across the UK by next year and will last for approximately three years. Following the launch of the pilot at HMNB Clyde, a second pilot will launch at Aldershot Garrison from January 2020, and the third and final one at RAF Wittering from May 2020.

The three studies will be used to test military accommodation policy and assess the attractiveness and benefits for service personnel of FAM. No one at a FAM pilot site will be asked to leave their current single living or family accommodation. Only once the pilot is complete, and the results analysed, will a decision be taken whether to roll-out FAM across the rest of the United Kingdom.