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FLOOD RELIEF WORK IN ARBORFIELD

Thames Water engineers are working on a £150,000 project to reduce the risk of floods from sewers in Arborfield.

Over a kilometre of sewers in Reading Road, Church Lane and surrounding areas will be relined to prevent groundwater seeping into the pipes.

Fifteen properties, and roads in the area, have in the past been affected by floods when heavy rainfall has overwhelmed the sewer system. The new scheme follows work by Wokingham District Council to improve local surface water drainage.

Lawrence Adams, Thames Water's Project Manager, said: "These are important improvements as they will greatly reduce the risk of floods from sewers affecting local properties."

The majority of the work, which started at the beginning of December, will be complete by the end of January.

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