One post flooding issue that both the county-wide floods strategic group and the County Council's own environment sub-group are currently trying to address is that of flood sludge/gravel deposits on non-agricultural land.

A number of requests for help have been sent to a variety of places (including to the Environment Agency), but a County Council team has been tasked with collating details of where the issues are across the county and what sort of response / support is required. In the first instance, we simply wish to gather information and intelligence in order to compile a summary list of what we are collectively aware of and get a full handle on the scale of the issue. This information will then be used to consider and plan how and when these deposits will be dealt with.

If you are already aware of any issues regarding flood sludge / gravel deposits on **non-agricultural land in your parish**, please contact Ian Stephenson, Cumbria County Council's Senior Manager for Waste Service, Environment & Regulatory Services with full details including any correspondence or requests for assistance / advice you may have sent or received. Ian can be contacted via <u>ian.stephenson@cumbria.gov.uk</u>

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