

**DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT FOR 7A LANGSTONE HIGH STREET, HAVANT
PO91RY**

**Replacement of existing timber door with composite GRP door and frame to
match existing timber door in external appearance and colour.**

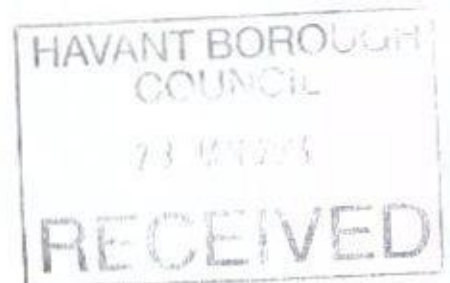
Due to the internal damage caused to our property by the recent flooding we would like to replace our existing timber door with a GRP composite door. The door we have chosen has a grain finish and colour very similar to the existing timber door, which although only two years old leaked a considerable amount of water into the property resulting in an insurance claim for the replacement of the ground floor carpet.

We have enclosed a photo of the existing door and a sample of the colour and door finish for the proposed new door which will have the same design as the existing one.

We are very conscious that we live in a conservation area and whilst other doors in our terrace are already of the PVC type we are sure that the replacement door that we are proposing will not be detrimental to the streetscape of the village of Langstone.

The replacement door will provide us with another defence against flooding which has occurred twice in the last five years despite our taking precautions including a flood board. We have visited the factory where the doors are manufactured and seen an example demonstrating the complete seal between the door and frame to prevent the ingress of water.

We also enclose the latest 'Floodwatch in Langstone' information sheet and a photo of the flood outside our property on the 3rd January 2014 to illustrate the extent of the risk we are trying to reduce.



Coastal Communities Adapting to Change: Langstone



Launch of Langstone Flood Watch

You are cordially invited to attend the launch of Langstone Flood Watch which will be held on Thursday 6th February 2014 at the Langstone Sailing Club starting at 7.00pm.

This is a community initiative supported by Hampshire County Council's 'Coastal Communities Adapting to Change (CCATCH)' project. Langstone is one of 5 communities along the Solent where the CCATCH project has been helping communities respond to flood risk and coastal change.

Langstone Flood Watch developed out of ideas discussed at two earlier CCATCH meetings in July and October last year. It aims not only to support those residents, in the High Street and adjacent areas, who are already affected by flooding but also advise those who might be affected in the future; people living at the southern end of Langstone Road and in Mill Lane. Its important that people living in these areas understand what Langstone Flood Watch is all about and the launch event provides an opportunity to find out. Having said that, anyone with an interest in the local area and a concern about flooding is very welcome to attend.

The launch event will be an informal affair where you will be able to hear about Langstone Flood Watch and how it intends to operate as well as having an opportunity to talk to those involved.

The sailing club have kindly offered to open the bar for us that evening. However, to fulfil the requirements of the licensing laws we need to supply a list of all non members attending. Therefore if you would like to attend and are not a sailing club member please email me at langstonefloodwatch@gmail.com or phone on 07590 802239.

Looking forward to seeing you on 6th February

Mike King, on behalf of Langstone Flood Watch and the CCATCH project.

