

Kendal Oral History Group Interview 318F

Kendal Flood Project Interview

Andrew Ireland born 1958
Interviewed June 2016

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Track One, pp.1-4

Two feet of Flood Water coming into Lancaster shop –
Policemen guarding roads had come from Burnley
No warning from Environment Agency
Journey home (to Staveley) at night via A65 – over Helm (through gate)

Track Two, pp. 4-5

Next day coming back from viewing shop Helm path washed away
Condition of shop the following day
Students queuing up at phone box in Lancaster
Workmen coming from Runcorn to do repairs
Problems with insurers

Track Three, pp. 5-8

Next door in Staveley owner lived in house for 60 years and never had water in – it
came up to his front door
Why Staveley was closed
Bridges damaged
Could not drive straight through village
Cray Fish preventing speedy repairs
Businesses in Staveley affected