

Flood resilient homes

Limiting water damage

Estimates suggest that over 2 million homes in England and Wales are at risk of flooding from rivers, the sea or surface water. This is around 10% of all UK homes.

Approximately 200,000 of these homes are considered to be very high risk and this figure is expected to rise.

The work of the Coastal Partnership will help to reduce the risks of coastal erosion and flooding but the risk still remains for many homes.

There are a number of steps property owners can take to reduce the impact from flooding to their homes. The diagram shows some of the measures that will increase your home's flood resilience.

These are measures that will help to reduce the damage caused by a flood, speed up restoration and allow for the re-occupation of the property.

Flood resistance/protection measures can also be taken to keep flood water at bay and reduce the risk of water entering the property. See the board: Flood resistant homes.

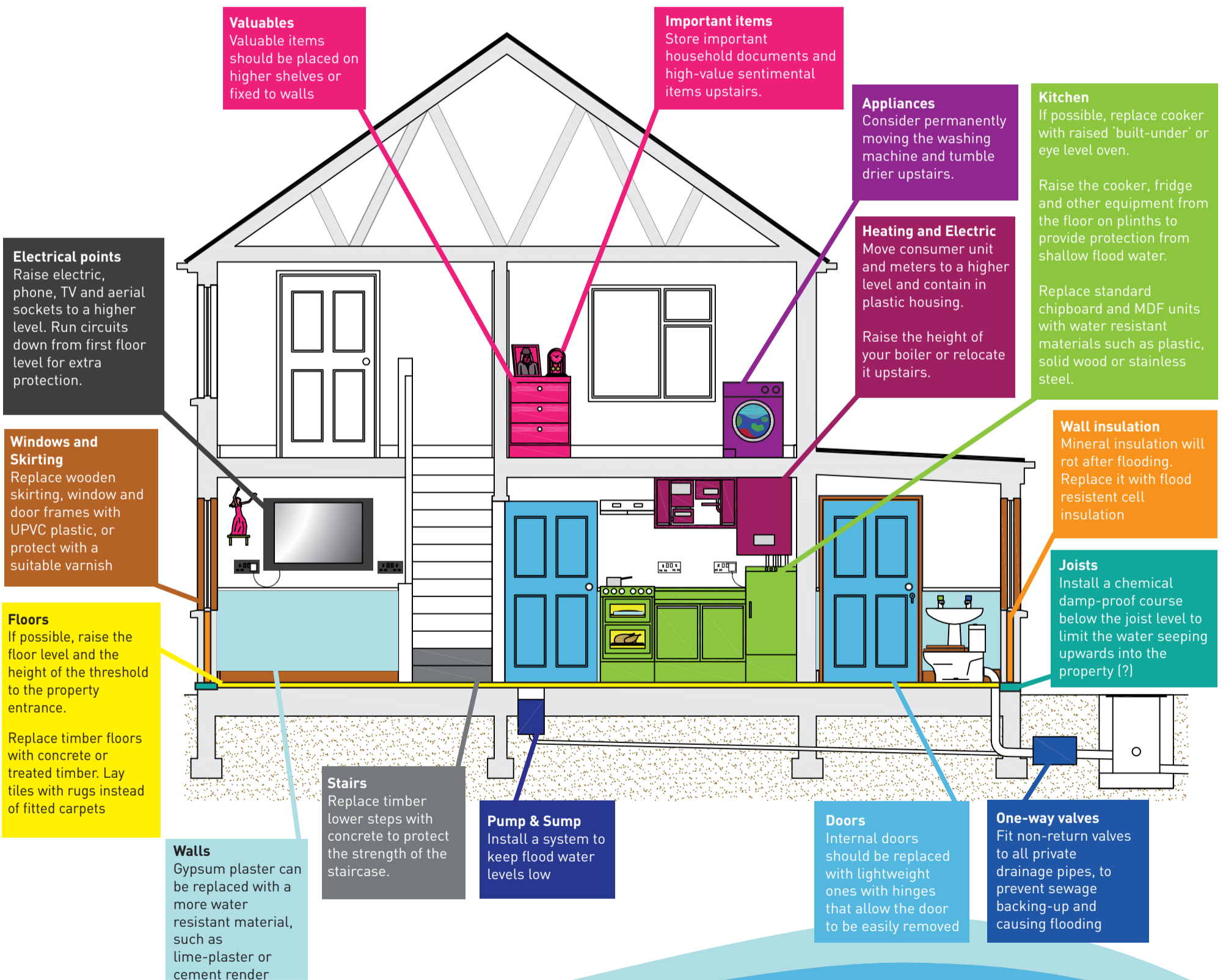
Do it right

Before you carry out any kind of flood resilience measures we recommend that you have your home surveyed to identify which are the most appropriate for your property.

A survey will consider:

- Risk type and depth of flooding
- Construction of the property
- Local geology

For further advice on flood resilience
www.environment-agency.gov.uk



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