

Yorkshire & Humber Climate Change Adaptation Study

Recent Weather Events - Further Details on: Gales and Tornadoes

October 30th 2000

- North Yorkshire escaped the worst of the winds with gusts reaching 40mph.
- Temperatures only reached 5°C, which is only half the average, which has led to widespread snowfall over North Yorkshire.
- Severe flood warnings were issued on the River Ouse at Naburn and Acaster Malbis, near York, which is expected to peak at 4.6m above normal after 9am.
- Flood warnings issued on River Derwent at Norton, Pickering Beck, the River Ure near Boroughbridge, the River Leven at Great Ayton and the River Swale and Wiske at Kirby Wiske near Thirsk.
- North East train services were cancelled and trains from Scotland could only go as far as York.

January 29th 2002

- Clean up operation begins to restore power to more than 20,000 homes and businesses from Scotland to Yorkshire.

January 29th 2002

- Gales reached speeds of 100mph in North Yorkshire.
- Young woman killed in York when a bit of masonry fell from a church roof on top of her.
- Coppergate and Ousegate were closed to traffic and pedestrians and were expected to remain that way all day.
- Near Catterick, North Yorkshire, a articulated lorry was blown on to its side on the southbound carriageway of the A1.

January 29th 2002

- In North Yorkshire at least 8 lorries were overturned by winds.
- Lorries were also blown over on the A171 on the North York Moors above Whitby.

February 24th 2002

- East Coast Main Line closed for 4 hours in York after high winds forced closure of the whole of York railway station.
- Corrugated iron blown off York railway station roof and on to overhead power lines.

August 10th 2003

- Mini tornado at Lofthouse, near Patley Bridge.
- In the Nidderdale Village the branches of a sycamore tree was blown on to the roofs of 2 cottages and a 2 cars that were parked nearby.

August 11th 2003

- The tops of 4 sycamores were knocked on to the cottages
- No one was hurt
- Tornado occurred in the morning.
- Weather changed from extreme heat to torrential downpours and flash flooding in a wave of freak weather.

January 3rd 2004

- Freezing weather and gales caused hundreds of homes to be without power from the Scottish Borders through Yorkshire down to Northern Lincolnshire.

March 20th 2004

- Winds disrupted power in 15,000 homes in Whitby and York and various other places.
- Lorry crashed in a central reservation near Catterick in North Yorkshire. It was carrying 24.5 tonnes of phthalicanhydride, which later mixed with water from heavy rains. This caused the chemical to become a highly acidic solution, which can burn the skin. As soon as it stopped raining the North Yorkshire fire and rescue service prevented the solution from getting into the water courses and drains.

March 22nd 2004

- Approx 14,800 homes from Berwick to York suffered power cuts that ranged between an hour to 3 hours after power cables were destroyed.
- Homes in Yorkshire were expected to have full power back by the evening.

March 22nd 2004

- More than 31,000 homes from the Scottish Borders to North Lincolnshire suffered power cuts when gales hit the electricity network.

March 22nd 2004

- Weekend gales lead to the death of several people and many Yorkshire households being without electricity.
- Gusts reached 70mph
- Properties damaged, trees felled, power lines brought down. 15,000 homes left without electricity.
- Flamborough, Scarborough, Malton, Withernsea, Middlesbrough and Sutton on the Forest were all affected.
- Problems in Selby went on for about 3 days
- Albion Street, which is part of Leeds City Centre, had to be closed off on Saturday when a plank was blown off the roof of a Boots store.
- West Yorkshire fire service received 50 weather related calls.
- Severe wind on M62 at Wakefield's blew a heavy goods vehicle over and prevented it from receiving assistance for 5 hours
- In West Yorkshire cars collided on the M1 near junction 47 near Garforth. There were 7 casualties in total and 1 woman died while her 3 month old baby was critically injured.
- Wind brought down train signals and caused severe disruption with the rail services between London and Sheffield. The Midland Mainline was badly delayed.
- Humber Coastguard reported that the Westerly winds reached 60mph on Saturday.

March 24th 2004

- Northallerton, Richmond, Bedale and surrounding villages were gridlocked after two fatal accidents.
- A1 and A66 both shut after winds caused chaos
- A1 shut after chemical lorry crash near Catterick and A66 closed after a minibus swerved to avoid an out of control lorry.
- Northbound traffic diverted through Northallerton.

October 5th 2004

- Mini tornado hit Yorkshire village sending huge branches crashing more than 20 feet to the ground.
- In Cawood, near Selby the tops of huge conifers were sheared off and dropped near homes.
- On Bellfield Avenue in Hull the winds sent a chimney stack crashing through a roof of a house where a 16 year old girl was sleeping. About 2 tonnes of debris were sent through the roof.
- In Cawood a mother and her son had to run home after school to get out of the gale and torrential rain. Two trees were brought down in front of their house.
- Greenhouses had their windows smashed and crops were ruined. One woman had two and a half acres of greenhouses and lost them all as the gale smashed 200-300 panes of the glass.

October 22nd 2004

- Rotten sycamore fell on roof of Rosedale residential home in Catterick Garrison in North Yorkshire.
- Lorry carrying tonnes of foam blew on its side at the junction of the A66 and B6372 near East Layton on the border between Durham and North Yorkshire.
- Numerous reports of trees being blown over across County Durham and North Yorkshire.
- 80mph speed limit put on trains travelling on the east coast Mainline between York and Newcastle.
- 55mph gusts recorded at Leeming, near Bedale, North Yorkshire.

December 24th 2004

- High winds lead to road accidents
- Highway agency and RAC warned drivers to take care as high winds made driving hazardous and had caused many problems on major routes.
- Accidents on the M62 at junction 35 in West Yorkshire and on the M1 near Chesterfield and Derbyshire.
- Lengthy tailbacks throughout the day on the A1 northbound carriageway near Knaresborough after strong winds blew a high sided lorry over in the early hours of the morning.
- Northbound traffic restricted to one lane until road was fully re-opened later on in the day.
- Winds reached 70mph across South Yorkshire and many people were blown over in the winds.
- In High Green area of Sheffield a tree almost smashed into a car and in Crookes bins and Christmas decorations were blown over.
- Driving conditions were at their worst on high ground where the M62, M6, A66 and A69 were in bad condition.
- 4 million train passengers were hampered with power supply problems in Crewe, Cheshire, which affected the Virgin West Coast and Central Trains services.

January 3rd 2005

- Strong winds lead to the closure of the Humber Bridge to high sided vehicles.
- West Yorkshire police said the winds caused general havoc especially in the Calderdale area.
- In Selby fire fighters were called out to their own fire station after gales blew their roof off. It had to be replaced by a 6 foot square panel.

January 9th 2005

- North Yorkshire is expected to suffer from persistent rain and near gale force winds that will be gathering speed throughout the day.

January 9th 2005

- GNER services between Newcastle and York were cancelled due to falling power lines and trees.
- The 6am service from Newcastle to Kings Cross was stranded in Northallerton due to an overhead cable coming down.
- Heavy rain causing problems in Wensleydale and Swalesdale areas.

January 10th 2005

- More than 150,000 properties across the North East and Yorkshire were without electricity after 100mph winds and driving brought power lines crashing down.
- 2 men went missing in West Yorkshire and were swept away by swollen rivers. Bad weather slowed down the police search in the River Aire, near Bradford.
- Richmond and Leyburn areas in North Yorkshire, as well as outlying villages were among the worst affected.
- GNER cancelled train services between Newcastle and York for 4 hours as high winds brought down power lines, trees and debris that covered the tracks.
- The River Ouse in York peaked in the early afternoon at 4.2metres above normal.

January 10th 2005

- In Leeds an 80 foot Oak crashed into a families back garden.
- Winds also blew the gable end of a house on Larkfield Avenue, Rawdon, and a large section of the house was blown off and ended up crashing through the car port and onto 2 vehicles.

January 10th 2005

- Gales reached 100mph in Yorkshire
- Many homes left without power and suffering severe structural damage.
- Man swept away at River Aire at Apperly Bridge, between Leeds and Bradford.
- Wind caused widespread property damage and problems on the roads.
- At one point 20,000 homes in Yorkshire were without power.
- River Wharfe burst its banks at Otley and Ilkley flooding the A65 and forcing a number of people to leave their homes.

January 10th 2005

- 90mph gusts caused a high sided vehicle to be overturned and caused widespread damage to the power lines leaving thousands of people without heating and light.

January 11th 2005

- 3,000 homes and businesses still without electricity for the third day running.
- 10 primary schools were closed in Kirkby Fleetham and Appleton Wiske, near Northallerton; Snape, near Bedale; Terrington, near York; Thornton Watlass, near Masham; Summerbridge, near Harrogate; Horton-in-Ribblesdale, near Settle and Kirby-in-Malhamdale, near Skipton.
- 1,000 children had been affected
- In remote areas the Yorkshire Electricity Distribution company had to use helicopters to find and assess damage.
- Worst effected areas in Yorkshire were Bradford and Huddersfield where 14,300 homes were hit by power cuts for more than 48 hours.
- In Hull 10,000 homes had been affected.

January 11th 2005

- Winds reached 80mph and 100mph in some areas
- 50,000 homes were left without power.
- People warned to stay inside in case they were hit by debris carried by the gusts.
- High winds posed most threat to trees and poorly maintained buildings and structures.
- High sided vehicles and pedestrians at risk of being blown over.

January 12th 2005

- People in North Yorkshire were warned of structural damage problems that could occur due to the high winds.
- People also warned high winds could cause high tides.
- Villages around Darlington and Richmond, including Barton, Cleasby and Piercebridge briefly lost power during the weekend gales.
- High sided vehicles were at risk to being over turned.
- Weekend gales caused major disruptions to lines serving 150,000 people across the region leaving 1,500 homes in North Yorkshire and County Durham without power yesterday.

January 12th 2005

- Gusts of 80mph
- Motorists in North and West Yorkshire warned to drive with care as gusts would range between 70mph and 80mph.
- East Yorkshire was to expect gusts of 70mph that would ease as the day progressed.

- On the M62 near Scammonden Dam a lorry carrying empty milk bottles was overturned. 2 lanes of motorway were closed westbound with reports of a 15 mile tailback.
- Signalling problems at Huddersfield forced cancellation and alteration of services.

January 14th 2005

- 150,000 homes in nearly 1,000 locations were left without power after 100mph winds and driving rain hit the region overnight.
- A66 closed to high sided vehicles and caravans.
- Floods closed main transport route between Northallerton and Bedale to be closed.
- Wensleydale Railway services between Leeming Bar and Redmire were suspended.
- Villages around Darlington and Richmond, including Barton, Cleasby and Piercebridge briefly lost power again due to wind damage.

January 21st 2005

- High winds lasted 24 hours and uprooted trees and strewn debris across the region.
- Winds forecasted throughout the weekend.
- Humberside coastguard told ships to try not to leave the harbour as gales were expected to increase in strength.
- Ogden water in Halifax was closed because of storms and the possibility trees may fall and injure people.

July 2nd 2005

- Twister occurred in Thirsk, North Yorkshire at 4pm on Thursday the 30th of June during a heavy thunderstorm.
- Funnel cloud moved east to west.
- 2 weeks ago parts of Thirsk and surrounding villages were left underwater when a month's rain fell in only a few hours.

August 13th 2005

- Reports did not confirm the "twister" touched the ground so it is believed to have been a funnel cloud.
- The funnel cloud could be seen from the Cockerton area of the town.

August 14th 2005

- Winds went up to gale force 9.

August 19th 2006

- Tornado developed in village of Langtoft, Lincolnshire. The sky went dark and the rotating clouds formed a funnel and started moving north.
- Sheets of metal and wood were sucked up 200 feet in the air as it increased its speed.
- 5 archaeologists were injured when the temporary canteen they were using to shelter in was picked up and thrown in the air. 4 had to be taken to the A & E department.

September 14th 2006

- A series of mini tornados damaged homes and businesses in several areas of Leeds.
- Fallen trees were strewn across the A61 between Leeds and Harrogate.

September 15th 2006

- MET Office received reports of mini tornados occurring all across Leeds as well as Harrogate and Barnsley.
- Most serious incident involved a man being struck by a falling tree on Compton Road in Harehills, Leeds

- North Leeds took the brunt of the storm which struck at 3pm yesterday.
- Metal covers covering shop windows were left bent and twisted out of shape.
- Trees were uprooted in the Roundhay area of Leeds and also in Shadwell and Harehills.
- The winds damaged the windows, roofs and chimneys of dozens of homes and businesses.
- Homes near East End Park were also badly hit and trees were dropped on cars.
- Trees had also fallen and were blocking the road into Walton Park in the spacey Houses area of Harrogate.

September 15th 2006

- Tornado took place in the North and East of Leeds on the 14th September at 3pm that caused thousands of pounds worth of damage.
- Shops shut due to flooding
- Trees snapped and roads swamped with water.
- One man taken to hospital after being hit by a falling tree in Compton Road, Harehills.
- 300 homes had to be repaired by the council.
- East End Park and Harehills were strewn with branches, leaves and trees that had been lifted out of the ground by the Tornado.
- Harrogate and Shadwell were also affected.
- West Yorkshire Fire Service received 90 distress calls in 30 minutes. Largest number of calls received in that period of time in over 20 years.
- Harehills Children's Centre narrowly escaped being hit by a series of trees that were thrown to the ground in the nearby park.
- Police and council workers had to shred the fallen trees and debris left in the roads and around Victoria Avenue.
- Reports said the sky turned dark green in colour and it felt like the air was being sucked up into the sky.

September 15th 2006

- Violent thunderstorms and lightning strikes were reported in North Yorkshire with Leeds suffering the worst.
- A mini tornado occurred in Harehills in Leeds and ripped of several roofs
- North Yorkshire roads flooded as drains could not cope with downpour

September 15th 2006

- Tornadoes usually strike in open spaces like fields not built up inner city areas. They occur when winds travelling from different directions are sucked upwards by thunder clouds and then form a spiral dragging up everything that's in its path. The UK experiences about 35 tornadoes a year.

September 15th 2006

- Could be seen from the A64 out of Leeds city centre.
- Street lights and traffic light columns were shaking violently under the force.

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September 16th 2006

- 3 schools were closed and businesses and residents of North and west Yorkshire had to start the clean up after the storm and Tornado.
- Buildings had been battered and trees were uprooted and rail signs were damaged.

December 4th 2006

- Gales across whole of Yorkshire
- Worst areas were coastal and hilly areas.
- Transport disrupted and trees came down, forcing closure of roads.
- In Yorkshire the A1 was closed and two Hull-bound North Sea ferries had to ride out a force 10 gale off Spurn Point.
- Debris from 3 barns had caught fire at Pickhill, west of Thirsk, and had been strewn across the Yorkshire A1.
- Roads in Bottesford, Scunthorpe and Stallingborough, near Grimsby, had to be cleared by Humberside fire fighters after they were blocked by fallen trees.

December 4th 2006

- Strong winds tore roofs of 4 adjoining apartments on High Street in Kippax near Leeds leaving several families homeless
- Rain poured through ceilings and waterlogged the apartments and ground floor shops
- This is the second time the wind has ripped the roof of these apartments

January 12th 2007

- Heavy rain and winds caused problems and floods in the North.
- Fire fighters from Reeth in Swaledale were called out in the morning to pump water from a house in Fremington.
- Richmond on alert after rising river water threatened to flood Brompton-on-Swale Caravan Park.
- Roads below Richmond Castle were closed because of the floods.
- River Ure burst its banks at Wensley.

January 12th 2007

- High winds and rain caused York to have its highest waters in 7 years.
- River Ouse rose 4.4m above normal, with waters lapping at the bottom of Leeman road defences.
- Winds also caused a stable to blow over in Filey, North Yorkshire.

January 12th 2007

- Truck overturned by high winds on the A629 Skipton West Bypass. Police, fire and ambulance crews had to work against winds of 80mph.
- Storms of 100mph swept the country.
- A1 in Leeming was shut in both directions.
- Severe delays on the east coast mainline from fallen trees across railway tracks.
- Power lines collapsed in gales and about 1,500 homes in North Yorkshire were without electricity.

January 12th 2007

- Heavy gales and rain swept across Yorkshire damaging properties and blowing vehicles off roads.
- Trains and flights were delayed.
- 6 mile jam after lorry blown over on A1M at Boroughbridge, lorry blew over on the Staple-ton to Little Smeaton Road near Pontefract, lorry also overturned on A1 near Wentbridge and a lorry was overturned on the A628 Woodhead Pass in the early hours of the morning.
- 50mph speed limit was placed on the motorway throughout South Yorkshire and the Tinsley Viaduct was closed to all high sided vehicles.

- M18 closed at Thorne after lorry was blown over and the A1 was closed near Darrington when another lorry was blown over.
- High winds in Headingley, Leeds damaged the £7M Carnegie rugby stand when the plastic sheeting was blown off on to St. Michaels Lane.

January 15th 2007

- Winds of 70mph caused traffic tailbacks after a number of accidents had occurred the previous week.
- Motorists were stuck in a 17 mile tailback on the A1 between Catterick and Dishforth in North Yorkshire after a lorry had blown over. The road had to be closed.

January 19th 2007

- Huge lorries across the region were toppled and people were blown over.
- Motorists on the A1 were forced to sit in the cars for about 8 hours as they were caught in traffic tailbacks that had been caused by the overturned lorry.
- Strongest gusts in 1990 were recorded to have been at 75mph but the strongest gusts on the 18th of January 2007 were recorded to be at 104mph.
- Low areas such as Farsley on the outskirts of Leeds experienced winds of 77mph. Higher areas experienced winds that went up to 100mph.
- At one stage North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service received at least 999 calls every 2-3 minutes.
- Fire fighters were called to deal with overturned lorries on the Northbound A1 between Walshford, north of Wetherby and the Allerton Park Interchange, and the A162 at South Milford.

January 19th 2007

- Worst storms to hit Yorkshire in more than 20 years
- Woman lorry driver killed when her HGV was blown over in North Yorkshire
- 2 year old boy and elderly man killed when blew off barn in Scunthorpe
- Vehicle overturned on A629 Skipton western bypass killing the woman driver
- 100mph gusts and heavy downpours
- 50,000 people left without electricity in Yorkshire and the North East
- Leeds/ Bradford and Doncaster airports closed
- GNER trains out of Yorkshire stopped after Network Rail imposed speed limits.
- A1, M1, M18, M62 and other arterial routes all suffered incidents where lorries were blown over. Smaller roads also suffered flooding and had trees and debris blown on to them.
- In South Yorkshire both Trans-Pennine routes were closed after trees and lorries were blown over on them.
- Kirk Balk School, Hoyland and Barnsley and Worsborough Country Park, Barnsley were 2 South Yorkshire Schools that had to be closed
- In West Yorkshire pupils from Ilkley Grammar School were all sent home
- Knottingley High School, Knottingley, near Pontefract also had to be closed
- Winds of up to 80mph across North Yorkshire with the Fire and Rescue service receiving 999 calls every 2-3 minutes
- In East Yorkshire winds battered both sides of the Humber, uprooting trees and damaging properties
- Ouse Bridge on the M62 was closed in both directions
- Leeds and Bradford City Councils had to cancel sporting events as playing grounds were waterlogged.
- In Rodley and Drighlington the gable ends of 2 houses were blown down

March 3rd 2007

- 3 people had to be rescued from a ship that was subjected to gale force weather just off the Yorkshire coast
- 2 rescue helicopters and a lifeboat were needed to help a ship that had gotten into difficulties in strong winds just off Spurn Point.
- Gales went from force 6 to force 8 and then even reached force 9.

June 27th 2007

- A funnel cloud is a funnel shaped cloud of condensed water droplets. If it touches the ground it becomes a tornado. Most tornadoes start off as funnel clouds.
- Funnel cloud started off in the Penistone area.
- It took half an hour to gather together, separate and re gather together.

July 18th 2007

- Tornado in Tibberton, Gloucestershire which struck at 11:15am.
- The tornado lifted a skip and threw it through the air.

November 13th 2007

- The boat My Charon lost power in a gale 20 miles North East of Spurn Point. The crew of 4 all had to be rescued as the boat ended up getting swamped by the heavy seas.

November 24th 2007

- Force 8 gale warning was put into place and Scarborough council had to seal off their piers.
- Humber coastguard warned people about the severity of going to sea in such conditions and advised against it.

January 10th 2008

- Gale force winds brought a mini whirlwind to Scunthorpe at 10:35pm and caused chaos on the roads.
- Storm lasted 12 hours and resulted in the blockage and closure of numerous roads after trees and roofs were scattered on them.
- Some schools were forced to close.
- Power cuts occurred and at the peak of the storm 22,000 homes across the country were left without electricity.
- Most serious incident was a minibus crash on the A166 close to Garrowby Hill in East Yorkshire which left two people hospitalised. Crash was caused by black ice.

January 21st 2008

- Winds reached 70mph.
- Planes delayed or cancelled at Leeds Bradford airport
- A1 at Wetherby closed for an hour after pallettes fell off a lorry and damaged three passing cars.
- Lane Head Road in Shepley near Huddersfield was sealed due to fears of a petrol garage roof being blown off.
- A19 at Escrick in North Yorkshire was blocked after a five car pile up
- A lorry and car collided on the A65 at Craven
- Flights grounded at Leeds, motorways closed, club roof ripped off, city centre roads and pavements closed, when gusts reached 73mph.

January 25th 2008

- Storms toppled lorries and caused flight cancellations across Yorkshire
- Lorry overturned on M1 northbound at junction 40 near Wakefield
- Wagon lost its ladders on junction 39
- Lorry overturned near junction 39 on M1 southbound in Durkar area of Wakefield
- Police requested closure of the Aire and Calder bridge at junction 30 of the M62 after a lorry's roof was almost ripped off
- A1 closed to high sided vehicles between junction 61 and 49.
- Planes prevented from landing at Leeds Bradford airport because of severity of winds, with flights diverted to Doncaster, Manchester and Teesside
- Those in the Marshall Street, Holbeck, in Leeds area were advised by engineers to evacuate after reports of an unstable chimney.
- Neville Street and Victoria Street in Leeds had to be closed because of the debris blown in by the winds
- In Calderdale there were problems with falling trees causing obstructions on Leeds Road, Hipperholme and Northowram.
- Parts of the A1 through Yorkshire had to be closed to high sided vehicles after several lorries were toppled
- 35 mile stretch between Dishforth and Bowburn was closed to high sided vehicles.
- Lorries overturned on A1 northbound between Catterick and Scotch Corner and on the A6108 Downham Road in Richmond

January 26th 2008

- Nearby roads were closed to protect pedestrians and cars from falling debris causing long rush hour traffic jams. Neville Street in particular, under the Dark Arches approaching the City square under the rail station was most at risk.
- Ice cube skating rink in millennium square had to be closed
- The Celebrate Leeds exhibition in Victoria Gardens had to also be closed after its displays were trashed.
- At Woodhouse Moor the former Liberal Club had its pitched roof completely blown off causing tens of thousands of pounds worth of damage.
- Nearby nursing home had to be evacuated because of the risk of falling tiles and slates.

January 27th 2008

- 30,000 left without electricity because of trees falling on power lines right across north England
- Winds of up to 70mph
- Leeds Bradford International airport suffered delays and cancellations due to winds

February 4th 2008

- A man killed in icy winds on the 3rd of February.
- Gusts of up to 75mph predicted.
- Lorry blown over on the M6 killing its driver
- Yorkshire trans-Pennine Woodhead Pass remained closed to HGV for most of the day.
- Lorry blown over and trees brought down in Dodworth near Barnsley.
- Section of the A18 close to Humberside was closed by a fallen branch
- Tree fell onto a road at Little Weighton, East Yorkshire
- More than 620 properties in villages including Alne, Stillington, Huby and Brandsby, north of York reported power cuts as wind had damaged the cables. Power was slowly restored to all affected areas in phases.

March 3rd 2008

- High winds damaged dozens of homes and led to a car being crushed by a falling tree on the A164 in Leonfield. The driver had to be taken to hospital.

March 11th 2008

- Gales reached 95mph causing hundreds of millions of pounds worth of damage.
- There was a 60% chance that winds would reach 80mph

March 12th 2008

- Yeadon Leeds recorded winds speeds as reaching 60mph with more forceful gusts predicted later on in the day.
- There was a warning from the MET office of a 60% chance of temporarily blizzard conditions occurring.
- 50mph speed restrictions were placed on the East Coast Mainline, and journeys between York and London were expected to take twice as long as usual.
- Hold ups expected on the Trans-Pennine Express
- Thousands of homes left without power and air, road and rail services after Atlantic Winds had reached speeds of 95mph.

March 13th 2008

- Mainline rail services in Yorkshire severely disrupted
- High winds brought down electricity cable for the East Coast Mainline at Templehurst just north of Doncaster with continuously high winds delaying the repair work.
- East Coast Mainline services in London were halted at Doncaster and East Coast mainline services from Edinburgh were halted at York.
- Diesel services were still getting through to Leeds

June 23rd 2008

- Gales reached 63mph and brought trees down throughout Yorkshire and created hazardous driving conditions.
- A66 Trans-Pennine route from Scotch Corner to Penrith was closed to high sided vehicles
- Tree blew down across a car in Poppleton Road York. Fallen trees also caused problems in Ripon, Northallerton and Richmond.
- Fire fighters had to secure scaffolding in Craven Street Scarborough.
- In Hull fire fighters were called to remove chimney stacks from two properties and to cordon off a church with loose roof tiles.