Lincoln County Emergency Response
Sandbag overview

How do we lay Sandbags?

- Place down a layer of plastic sheeting to act as the waterproofing membrane.
- Lay sandbags like brickwork on top of the plastic sheeting.
- Start at one end and work to the other end.
- Ensure the unfilled top part of the bag is covered by the next bag.
- Tuck flap under the bag at the end of the row.
- Stagger rows so that the joins do not line up.
Do not tie the sandbags but position them as shown in the picture. Ensure the unfilled top part of the bag is covered by the next bag.
Sandbags are not sufficient to prevent the water infiltration through the bags. For this reason, it is necessary to place a waterproof plastic sheet between the bags and the door.
House protected with a levee