

## Oxfordshire County Council Action Plan 20153 – 2018-2020 (reviewed annually)

N.B. This action plan will be shaped by the outcomes of the consultation process

Ref:	Title	Description	Responsibility	Funding/Source	Timescale	Action & Status
<b>1. Improve Understanding</b>						
1.1	Explanation of statutory duties of risk management authorities	Roles of Individuals, businesses and land managers	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<u>April 15</u>	<u>Update OCC website</u>
1.2	Consider comments and representations by property owners	On Flood Risk Management Decisions	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<u>Oct – Nov 2014</u>	Consultation from strategy
1.3	Information on flood risk	Easy formats for public use	EA & OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<u>April 2014 To be reviewed annually</u>	<u>On-going Maintain updated flood risk information on the public website</u>
1.4	Information on residual flood risk	The public and businesses to make informed decisions	EA & OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<u>On-going To be reviewed annually</u>	EA and <del>OCC</del> <u>County Council</u> web site
1.5	Develop guidance notes on surface water management issues	To inform the public and property owners on reducing flood risk	EA & OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<u>EA and OCC web site April 16 and then reviewed annually</u>	<u>On going Information published on County Council website</u>

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1.6	Develop system to record flooding incidents	To inform the public and undertake flooding investigations	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority-Grant	Dec <del>2014</del> 2015	<del>On-going</del> To be updated following flooding events
1.7	Recording of flood assets	Available to the public	EA & OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority-Grant	2015Reviewed annually	StartedAlready commenced
1.8	Designation of flood structures <del>i.e.</del> walls, banks	Design a consistent approach	EA & OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority-Grant	On-goingReviewed annually	StartedAlready commenced
1.9	Improve knowledge of surface water flood risks	Produce surface water management plans	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority Grant	On-goingDec 15	On-goingInitially prioritise areas at significant risk from surface water flooding.
1.10	Promote flood resilience	Support and information to emergencies	Emergency Planning Unit	Core Funding	On-goingInformation updated annually	On-goingContinued promotion via County Council website
1.11	Co-ordinate flood risk management with emergency planning	Work closely with <u>County Council</u> Emergency Planning and severe Weather Manager	OCC		On-goingQuarterly meetings	On-goingRegular liaison meetings between Drainage, and Emergency Planning teams and Severe weather Manager
<b>2. Take a Collaborative Approach</b>						
2.1	Oxfordshire	Develop	OCC &	Core Funding	On-goingQuarterly	On-goingTo

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	Strategic Flooding Group	partnership work	Partners		<u>meetings</u>	<u>review progress against the Action Plan</u>
2.2	Oxfordshire Strategic Flooding Group	Invite emergency planning	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<del>June 2014</del> <u>January 2015</u>	<u>Emergency Planning attends meetings from January</u>
2.3	Forward planning on potential schemes	Reduce short and longer term flood risk	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<del>On-going</del> <u>December 2015</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>To have developed a plan of forward schemes from relevant partners</u>
2.4	<u>Western Conveyance Channel Oxford and Abingdon Flood Alleviation Schemes</u>	Investigate the potential scheme and financial contributions required.	<u>EA, OCC and partners</u>	<u>GiA, Levy and partnership contributions</u>	<u>April 2016 ?</u>	<u>To work with partners in order to identify further sources of funding</u>
2.5	Funding schemes	Co-ordinate funding opportunities available for potential schemes	OCC & Partners		<del>On-going</del> <u>April 2015 and thereafter annually</u>	<del>On-Going</del> <u>To review potential schemes by the Strategic Flooding Group</u>
2.6	Assess resources and skills	To identify flood risk management program	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<del>On-going</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Agreed by the Strategic Flooding Group</u>
2.7	Promote good practice	On consenting, enforcement and maintenance	<u>OCC and relevant partners</u>	Core and Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Using County Council and partner websites</u>

2.8	Work with partners	Provide information on riparian responsibilities	EA, OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<del>On-going</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Using County Council and partner websites</u> <del>On-going</del> <u>Arrange meetings with larger land owners to discuss issues of riparian ownership.</u>
2.9	Records management	Structures affecting flood management	EA, OCC & Partners	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<del>2015</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Commenced</u>
<b>3. Prevent an Increase in Flood Risk</b>						
3.1	Set up SuDs Adoption Body	To Defra guidelines	OCC	Core Funding	<del>06/04/2014</del> <u>To be confirmed</u>	<del>Started</del> <u>Awaiting Defra Guidelines</u>
3.2	Set up Inspection System	For Inspection of SUDS	OCC	Core Funding	<del>06/04/2014</del> <u>Commenced.</u> <del>Final approach t</del> <u>To be confirmed</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Awaiting Defra Guidelines</u>
3.3	Production and publishing of Advisory Notes	For Planning Authorities, Developers & Consultants	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<del>06/04/2014</del> <u>To be confirmed</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Awaiting Defra Guidelines</u>
3.4	Working with Planning Authorities	Guidance on SUDS	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<del>06/04/2014</del> <u>To be confirmed</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Awaiting Defra Guidelines</u>
3.5	Developers Guidelines	Guidance on SUDS	OCC	Core Funding	<del>06/04/2014</del> <u>Commenced.</u> <del>Final approach</del> <u>To be confirmed</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>Awaiting Defra Guidelines</u>
3.6	Riparian land ownership	Work with land owners to ensure	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Promote Riparian responsibilities via County Council</u>

		responsibilities are carried out				<u>website. Arrange meetings with larger land owners to discuss issues of riparian ownership.</u>
3.7	Flooding database	Guidance for risk management authorities	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority <del>Grant</del>	<del>2015</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<del>On-going</del> <u>To collate details of all flooding events meeting the threshold criteria</u>
3.8	Groundwater flood risk	Develop a system for providing advance warning of areas with potential groundwater flood risk	OCC & Local Resilience Forum			
<b>4. Take a Sustainable and Holistic Approach</b>						
4.1	Community Resilience – Flood Plans	Work with communities and parish councils to establish flood management plans	Emergency Planning <u>and Drainage Team</u>	Core Funding	<del>On-going</del> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Promote the adoption of Flood Plans by Parish Councils</u>
4.2	Community Resilience - Communications	Increase the level of communications	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Community Resilience is reviewed on an</u>

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		about self help and support available				<u>annual basis</u>
4.3	Community Resilience – removing barriers	Work with volunteers to remove the barriers to clearing watercourses	OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Promoted via Parish Councils and local flood groups</u>
4.4	Flood Volunteers	Consider the use of the national website for flood volunteers <sup>1</sup>	<u>OCC &amp; Partners</u>	<u>Core Funding</u>	<u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Promote the use of volunteers at a Parish Council level and via Community events.</u>
4.5	Training	Improve training for Customer Service Advisors in dealing with flood related issues	OCC	<u>Core Funding</u>	<u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>Produce guidance that is reviewed annually to provide appropriate information for Customer Service Advisors</u>
4.6	Promote SUDS design in master planning	Blue and Green Corridors	EA, OCC & Partners	Core Funding	<u>On-going</u> <u>Reviewed annually</u>	<u>On-going</u> <u>County Council Drainage team to attend all relevant Master Planning meetings</u>
4.7	Flood risk	Take account of	EA, OCC &	Capital	<u>On-going</u> <u>Reviewed</u>	<u>On-going</u> <u>To</u>

<sup>1</sup> <http://floodvolunteers.co.uk/>

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	management schemes	all plans and policy'sies	Partners	Programme	<u>when appropriate</u>	<u>monitor the impact of new policies</u>
4.8	Develop and publish guidance documentation	Include guidance on flood management and environmental issues	OCC	Lead Local Flood Authority Grant	<u>06/04/2014</u> <u>October 2015 and review as appropriate</u>	<u>On-going</u> <u>Provide links to national and local information as appropriate</u>
4.9	Work with Climate Resilience Strategy Board	All aspects of climate change	OCC	Core Funding	<u>On-going</u>	<u>On-going</u>