

Monthly flood risk management meeting

6 October 2021

Chair: Steve Hodges (HC)

Attendees: Pio Chinyere, Stacey Moore (EA); Joel Hockenull, Jenny Allen, Lauren Harrison (BBLP); Amy Beddoes, (English Severn and Wye RFCC (Regional Flood and Coastal Committee) Local Levy Advisor)

1	<p>Update on HC led schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In light of the increased modelling costs for the Wellington and Ayles Brook Flood Studies, an exception report needs to be submitted to the EA by 22 October. The Partnership Funding calculator also needs updating with these costs. SM highlighted that the costs used at the appraisal stage may impact the future Cost-benefit Ratio of delivering any built schemes – a consideration when developing all FCRM schemes. HC has received funding from the EA for surveys regarding the Brimfield, Orleton & Little Hereford (Gosford Brook) PFR scheme. HC is to commence the Eardisley modelling project this financial year. HC confirmed that the Lea project is still live and that any outstanding works will be completed this financial year.
2	<p>Update on EA led schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Strategic Outline Case for Greyfriars is being produced – anticipated Dec 21 / Jan 22 – further engagement with the community to discuss this and next steps to begin in the new year. The EA is continuing to develop its citizen space webpages (which will include Greyfriars). Modelling project for the Dulas Brook now due for delivery mid-Nov 2021. The Strategic Outline Case aims to re-evaluate the info collated to date including the Initial Assessment and modelling outputs in order to identify a preferred solution. Its citizen space webpages will include the Dulas Brook. The EA is commencing development of the first phase of the business case for Property Flood Resilience (PFR) for Leintwardine & Walford and hope to complete this in the first part of 2022. The Initial Assessments for Ross on Wye and Hampton Bishop have been completed and both are 'on hold' for now until the River Wye modelling has been updated as this is vital to inform next steps. The EA is looking to accelerate funds to develop the first stage of the Business Case for Eardisland. SM has outstanding actions from the September community meeting and has advised the Parish Clerk as to her expected response date. EA to provide update on the River Wye modelling.
3	<p>Update on NFM Business Case</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed that HC's Business Case seeking funding to continue and expand upon its previously successful Defra funded NFM pilot project has been submitted to the EA's National Project Assurance Service for review
4	<p>Update on PFR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SH advised that over 50 claims had now been processed and that around 60 property owners had asked for surveys to be arranged. The deadline for applications is 31 Dec 2021 with all grant funds needing to be claimed no later than 1 Apr 2022.
5	<p>Any other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JA is to act as point of contact for communities across the county to discuss flooding issues. Suggested that she should liaise with the EA's flood resilience team to see what support they can offer.
<p>Dates of future meetings: Thursday 4 November, 1.30pm Thursday 2 December, 1.30pm</p>	

