

Monthly flood risk management meeting

15 November 2021

Chair: Steve Hodges (HC)

Attendees: Stacey Moore (EA); James Reynolds, Joel Hockenull, Jenny Allen, Lauren Harrison (BBLP); Amy Beddoes (ESW RFCC Local Levy Advisor)

1	<p>Update on HC led schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The initial assessment of costs within grant submissions for Wellington/Ayles Brook are currently under review. BBLP have assigned a Project Manager to the Brimfield, Orleton & Little Hereford PFR scheme. BBLP have assigned a Project Manager to the Eardisley project – a topographic survey is required and the Ward Member and Parish Council are to be briefed. Works on one property at Lea are still to be completed. Project closure form and final expenditure for Colwall needs to be submitted to the EA.
2	<p>Update on EA led schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The team is still working through the Strategic Outline Case for Greyfriars and the first draft of the Citizen Space webpage has been developed. The draft model final deliverables for the Dulas Brook have been received & reviewed by the EA. A meeting is being scheduled with Welsh Water. The development of the business case (phase 1) has been allocated funding for next financial year and will be delivered via the Catchment Based Group. The river gauge for the flood warning expansion project has been installed upstream of Ewyas Harold and is currently being calibrated (before go live during 2022). The community will be contacted ahead of this date and a Citizen Space webpage is to be drafted. A business case is still planned for the Leintwardine & Walford PFR scheme. The Hampton Bishop & Ross-on-Wye projects are both awaiting completion of the River Wye modelling to inform the next steps. Development of the first stage of the Eardisland business case is due to be completed by March 2022. Feedback from the stakeholder meeting has been provided to the Parish Council clerk.
3	<p>Update on NFM Business Case</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 (NPAS) for review. Subsequent queries raised by NPAS have also been responded to.
4	<p>Update on PFR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SH advised that over 70 property owners had asked for HC to arrange surveys by JBA Consulting. The deadline for applications is 31 Dec 2021 with works to be completed and 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"> Meetings are to be held to discuss forthcoming updates to the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy.
<p>Dates of future meetings:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Tuesday 11 January, 9.30am Tuesday 8 February, 9.30am Tuesday 8 March, 9.30am</p>	