

## Monthly flood risk management meeting – BBLP Offices, Rotherwas 14 February 2024

Chair: Balfour Beatty Living Places (BBLP) – Joel Hockenhill (JH).

Attendees: BBLP – Jenny Allen (JA), Lauren Harrison (LH).

Environment Agency (EA) Partnership and Strategic Overview (PSO) – Emily Penning (EP), Joe Martin (JM).

ESW RFCC Local Levy Team – Mike Teague (MT), Robyn Bradley (RB).

Herefordshire Council (HC) – Steve Hodges (SH), Beth Lewis (BL).

### 1. Update on EA led schemes

#### • Catchment Based Group (CBG)

- **Leominster** (EP) – Parallel environment project currently progressing which comprises remodelling a section of River Lugg, the outputs of which can be fed into this project.
- **Lower Bullingham** (JH/EP) – Site visit undertaken with HC/BBLP/EA. Flooding mechanism established. Farm access culvert requires improvements.
- **Ewyas Harold / Dulas Brook** (EP) – Model has been updated. Likely to be Property Flood Resilience (PFR) project.
- **River Dore (Pontrilas)** (EP) – Has been established as a separate project to Ewyas Harold.
- **River Arrow – Lugg and Arrow Weir Impact Assessments** (EP) – First deliverables have been received.
- **River Arrow – Lugg and Arrow Asset Management Review** (EP) – Progressing along with Lugg & Arrow Weir Impact Assessment.
- **Hampton Bishop** (EP) – Penstock installation proposed in ditch system. Still awaiting outputs from River Wye & River Lugg models.
- **Eardisland** (EP) – PFR project still progressing following flooding in January. Followed up on Listed Building queries.
- **Mordiford Bridge** (EP) – Asset Performance Team are leading on project and are looking into emergency action plans when flooding occurs.
- **Greyfriars** (JM on behalf of Tom Curwell) – Ground investigation surveys are being undertaken. Assessment ongoing of how Yazor Brook will continue to flow through defences.
- **Leintwardine and Walford PFR** (EP on behalf of Sam Whitfield) – The Business Case has been signed off and PFR contractor has been appointed. Installation to start beginning of April and complete end of Summer.
- **Bishops Frome PFR** (EP on behalf of TC) – To be looked at in 2024. Likely to be PFR.
- **Cusop/Dulas Brook** (EP on behalf of TC) – Funding process started for installation of resilience measures.
- **Ross on Wye** (EP) – No update, awaiting outputs from River Wye model (expected 2025).

### 2. Update on HC led schemes

- **Ayles Brook Surface Water Mapping** (JA) – Model outputs are due to be submitted to EA within the next week.
- **Brimfield, Orleton and Little Hereford PFR** (JA) – Contractor has undertaken surveys.
- **Coughton Brook** (JH) – No update
- **Kymin Brook** (JH) – Grant application for project funding to be progressed in 2024/25.
- **Lyde** (JH) – The Herefordshire Council Land and Property department negotiations with the landowners are ongoing.
- **Wellington Brook** (JH) – Optioneering using the model will be completed in Spring 2024.
- **Yazor Brook Culverts** (JA) – FCERM7 has been drafted.
- **Eardisley** (JH) – Scope of works and project proposal being developed.
- **Withy Brook** (JH) – As the EA are leading on a Catchment Based Assessment (Lower Bullingham), there is no update.

- **Hoarwithy (JA)** – Draft OBC has been submitted to EA.

**3. Any Other Business**

- **River Lugg Embargo (SH)** – EP to update following internal discussions (clearance works on River Lugg).
- **Aston Ingham (JH)** – Reports regarding presence of stone wall on flooding have been discussed with EA. Response to be communicated with community.
- **Frequently Flooded Properties (EP)** – Deadline for applications is end of Feb.

**4. Date of future meeting**

- Tuesday 12 March, 9.30am (Teams)