Herefordshire Council



Monthly flood risk management meeting

11 October 2022

Chair: Herefordshire Council – Steve Hodges (SH), Steve Wharton (SW)

Attendees: Balfour Beatty (BBLP) – Joel Hockenhull (JH), Jenny Allen (JA), Lauren Harrison (LH).

Environment Agency (EA) Partnership and Strategic Overview (PSO) – Pio Chinyere (PC), Danielle Degville (DD), Darren Peach (GM), Thomas Curwell (TC). ESW RFCC Local Levy Team – Amy Beddoes (AB).

EA Programming Team – Emily Hartin (EH), Brad Everitt (BE).

1 Update on EA led schemes

- Lower Bullingham modelled data has been completed for Greyfriars, which also affects Lower Bullingham.
- Greyfriars public meeting drop in session went well. The modelled data has been passed to the Catchment Based Group (CBG) and the EA hope to have a preferred scheme in early 2023.
- Leintwardine & Walford property surveys are being reviewed by the EA.
- Mordiford Bridge DD to schedule regular meetings.
- Ewyas Harold/Dulas Brook first stage of Business Case is being completed by the CBG. Site meeting held with Cllr Jinman and multi-agency meeting to be arranged.
- Eardisland weir removal ruled out as it would create issues during low river flows. The Business Case for a PFR scheme is being progressed. The Parish Council has requested an in person meeting. The CBG's River Arrow catchment project is being rescoped.
- Hampton Bishop no update as waiting for Wye model. £20k of funding is allocated for this year.
- Ross On Wye no update as waiting for Wye model.
- Cusop/Dulas Brook multi-agency meeting has taken place and the option of a flood wall around Dulas Brook Terrace is being considered benefits of construction to be considered.

2 Update on HC led schemes

- Wellington WSP have been commissioned and a site meeting is required in November to inform the survey scope. Process to then recruit surveyor and start modelling work. Delivery will be over this financial year and next.
- Brimfield, Orleton & Little Hereford PFR scheme JH/JA in discussions with AB regarding the next stage.
- Eardisley funding to be secured to complete the design.
- Lyde project still needs to be submitted to the EA for approval. Communication required with community to understand delivery and to get clarity on the length of pipe needing to be replaced.
- WSP commissioned to review studies for Kymin Brook (likely to be upstream attenuation areas) and Daycroft Lane, Walford.

3 RFCC

• Next meeting 18 October, Leominster.

4 Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

- WSP commissioned to review the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy. Research completed as to how other Lead Local Flood Authorities present their LFRMS. Meetings to be scheduled to review update and discuss how improvements can be made/best practice
- Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee 16 November.

5 Update on NFM

• SH introduced SW – he would be covering Beth Lewis' role as NFM Project Officer. The project is restarting with funding has been secured until 31 March 2027.

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- Dates of future meetings Tuesday 8 November, 9.30am Tuesday 13 December, 9.30am •