

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 18 November 2014

Decision No: (CAB 14/15 13636)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	HOUSING AND SUSTAINABILITY
SUBJECT:	SOUTHAMPTON LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
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THE DECISION

- (i) To adopt the Southampton Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (2014-2019).
- (ii) To endorse development and implementation of the actions within the Strategy that will need to be taken forward over the duration of the plan period.
- (iii) To note that further reports will be brought for approval to proceed with individual projects once funding has been identified.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. To enable a strategic and risk-based approach to management of flooding in Southampton which is co-ordinated across the relevant risk management authorities for the area.
2. Endorsement of development and implementation of the actions outlined in the Strategy will provide a mechanism for managing flooding on a risk based approach whilst preparing the City to adapt to climate change and sea level rise as it is realised in the future.
3. The Strategy will provide clarity and direction, to all interested parties, on the co-ordinated approach to be taken by the risk management authorities in managing the various sources of flooding across the City over the next five years.
4. Adoption of the Strategy will facilitate future applications for external funding towards delivery of individual projects to reduce flood risk.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

An alternative option is to do nothing. However, this option was rejected because the Council, as the Lead Local Flood Authority for Southampton, has a statutory duty to develop, maintain, implement and monitor a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy for the area. Failure to make provision for the Authority to fulfil this statutory duty could incur legal, financial and reputational implications.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 18th November 2014

Decision Maker: The Cabinet

Proper Officer: Judy Cordell

SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*