



Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date **Thursday 5 March 2015**
Time **9.30 am**
Venue **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham**

Business

Part A

**Items during which the Press and Public are welcome to attend. Members
of the Public can ask questions with the Chairman's agreement.**

1. Apologies.
2. Substitute Members.
3. Declarations of Interest, if any
4. Any items from Co-opted Members or interested parties.
5. Media Relations
6. Local Nature Partnerships (Pages 1 - 4)
 - a) Joint Report of Assistant Chief Executive and Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development
 - b) Presentation by Steve Bhowmick, Environment and Design Manager, Chris Woodley Stewart, Director of North Pennines AONB Partnership and Claire Thompson, Partnership Officer, Three Rivers LNP
7. Delivery of Clean Bus Technology (Pages 5 - 8)
 - a) Joint Report of Assistant Chief Executive and Corporate Director for Regeneration and Economic Development
 - b) Presentation by Simon Day, Public Transport Network Manager, Transport & Contract Services,
8. Update on the Waste Programme (Pages 9 - 14)
Report of the Corporate Director of Neighbourhood Services.

9. Climate Change Delivery Plan (Pages 15 - 18)
Report of the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Economic Development presented by Stephen Beresford, Senior Sustainability and Climate Change Officer and Maggie Bosanquet, Sustainability and Climate Change Team Leader
10. Update on Management of Woodland Estate
11. Minutes from Durham Strategic Flood Group (Pages 19 - 24)
12. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

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Head of Legal and Democratic Services

County Hall
Durham
25 February 2015

To: **The Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities
Overview and Scrutiny Committee:**

Councillor B Graham (Chairman)
Councillor D Hall (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors E Adam, J Armstrong, D Bell, E Bell, J Clare, J Clark, D Freeman,
J Gray, G Holland, K Hopper, I Jewell, C Kay, P May, O Milburn, S Morrison,
J Shuttleworth, P Stradling, L Taylor and S Zair

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Mr T Bolton and Mrs P Spurrell

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Environment & Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee



5th March 2015

Local Nature Partnerships

Joint Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive and Ian Thompson, Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Members of the Environment & Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee with an introduction to a presentation update on the work of the Local Nature Partnerships.

Background

2. The Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed as part of its refresh of the work programme 2014/15 to receive an update on the Local Nature partnerships (LNP).
3. In accordance with this decision arrangements have been made for the Director of the North Pennines AONB Partnership, Chris Woodley Stewart on behalf of the Northern upland Chain LNP and Claire Thompson on behalf of the Three Rivers LNP will attend a meeting of the committee on 5th March 2015 to give an update on progress. This will explain how Local Nature Partnerships grew out of the Natural Environment White Paper of 2011 as strategic bodies with a focus on conserving and enhancing the natural environment and the many goods and services that nature provides to society.
4. The two Local Nature Partnerships that cover County Durham - The Northern Upland Chain and the Three Rivers LNPs - have presented to the committee in the past and the presentation will show that both have continued to make good progress in the past year. The Northern Upland Chain is a partnership covering the Protected Landscapes of the Northumberland National Park, North Pennines AONB, Yorkshire Dales National Park, Nidderdale AONB and the Forest of Bowland AONB. The area is bound together by a common set of species and habitats and a common set of ecosystem goods and services, and similar economies based primarily in farming, land management and tourism.
5. The area of river basins north of the Tees in County Durham to south of the Tyne is primarily assigned to the Three Rivers LNP and is characterised by a higher resident urban population and more intense use of its rural landscapes and farming patterns than its upland equivalent.
6. Key highlights are: that the Northern Upland Chain's main work this year has focused in developing an approach to High Nature Value Farming, including

fostering greater collaboration between farmers and conservation bodies and a comprehensive study has led to a farmers' forum which will help to shape this work. The LNP partners are also behind an £8m bid to the EU LIFE fund to further their work on peatland restoration; the outcome will be known shortly. The partners are doing considerable work on gathering new data and evidence this year. This is informing two new pieces of work in particular: a prospectus for woodland creation in the area (two new woods were planted through an LNP initiative this winter) and the development of a Natural Capital Investment Plan for the LNP. This latter piece of work is part of a national project led by the NUC which will produce a framework for such plans for LNPs nationally.

7. The three Rivers LNP is engaging with health providers to promote the natural environment as a means of achieving mental and physical health benefits and is also engaging with the partners planning authorities to help consolidate evidence to promote a greater green infrastructure and sustainable urban drainage policy position within development plans. The role of the partnership in supporting and co-ordinating the delivery of landscape scale partnerships across the area is continuing e.g. by taking a leading role in preparing a new HLF bid for the regeneration of the River Skerne river basin area.
8. The presentation will also demonstrate how the two local LNPs are working collaboratively to develop a shared portfolio of projects for the NE LEP and a joint conference and nature and health is also to be hosted in the coming year.

Context for Local Nature Partnerships in County Durham

9. A key function of an LNP is to take a strategic overview of the local natural environment and look for ways to manage, enhance and promote it that will produce outcomes that integrate the needs of nature, people and the economy. Government is keen for each LNP to deliver their role in the way that best suits their local needs, taking into account how those needs will change over time in anticipation of things like climate change and local population growth. Each LNP will determine what their priorities are and how they will work.
10. In County Durham there are two LNPs which wholly or partly cover the geographic area, the Land of the Three Rivers LNP covering lowland areas of County Durham, Gateshead, Sunderland and South Tyneside and the Northern Upland Chain LNP covering upland areas of the North Pennines AONB, protected landscapes of the Yorkshire Dales, Northumberland National Parks and Nidderdale AONB. These partnerships facilitate and co-ordinate decision making on the natural environment for their geographic areas.
11. The LNP look at how they can support the work of the landscape scale delivery projects such as the Limestone Landscapes Partnership and continue to attract funding for various projects. The LNP work in collaboration on various projects and have established relationships with the North East Local Enterprise Partnership and the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Recommendation

12. Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee are requested to note and comment on the presentation and a further update be provided to the committee in the future.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance - None

Staffing – None

Risk - None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty – None

Accommodation - None

Crime and Disorder - None

Human Rights - None

Consultation – None

Procurement - None

Disability Issues – None

Legal Implications – None

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Delivery of Clean Bus Technology

Joint Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive and Ian Thompson, Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Members of the Environment & Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee with an overview presentation on Delivery of Clean Bus Technology.

Background

2. The Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny at its meeting on 3 July 2014 agreed the work programme for the year ahead which included an overview presentation to members on Delivery of Clean Bus Technology. In accordance with this decision arrangements have been made for members to receive a presentation from Simon Day, Public Transport Manager, Transport and Contract Services.
3. The County Council operates an 'Integrated Transport Unit' in line with Government's best practice guidance. The ITU delivers public transport, home to school transport, SEN transport and adult social care transport. It also has close links with health, clinical commissioning groups and the North East Ambulance Service.
4. Integrating transport in this way enables the authority to create packages of work across sectors to maximise the use of vehicles and staff, ensure full use is made of existing local bus services for education and social work purposes and deliver consistency of standards across different modes. The opportunities to integrate commissioning and delivery of local authority transport with nonemergency healthcare transport have also helped to deliver a simpler and more understandable service for the user.

Clean Bus / Vehicle Technology Funds

5. Durham and Sunderland's successful bid in partnership with Go North East (GNE) for funding under the 2013 Clean Bus Technology Fund has been delivered during summer 2014 in partnership with the similar scheme led by Gateshead and Newcastle. A total of 20 buses on routes between Co Durham and Sunderland have been upgraded with innovative exhaust treatment equipment improving emissions from Euro III to near Euro VI.

6. The same partnership team led development of two complementary bids for funding under the 2014 Clean Vehicle Technology Fund, to equip GNE buses on four services across the NECA area with a kinetic energy recovery system. The bid led by Newcastle for Blyth - Newcastle and Newcastle – Sunderland services won funding in the first round of awards. The Durham–led bid covering Durham - Newcastle and Newcastle - South Shields services was awarded funding in a second round announced in December.
7. The presentation will highlight the following areas: background to the Government’s competitive funding grants, brief description of each project, the services and geographical areas covered, partnering approach, the technology used, programme timescales and the expected environmental impacts.

Recommendation

8. Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee are requested to note and comment on the presentation.

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Waste Programme - Update

**Joint report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive and
Terry Collins, Corporate Director, Neighbourhoods**

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To provide Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee with supporting information in advance of the update on the waste programme.

Background

- 2 The work programme for Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee includes monitoring the delivery of the Council's waste strategy, which meets the objective of Reducing Waste within the Altogether Greener section of the Council Plan for 2012 – 2016.
- 3 In June of 2013 a major milestone was reached within the Waste Programme with the introduction of new multi-million pound waste management arrangements for the transfer, haulage and disposal of residual waste collected from the kerbside and also the management and operation of the household waste recycling centres (HWRCs).
- 4 The introduction of the new arrangements has continued to generate improvements in the financial and environmental performance in the waste management service, and work continues to build on this success on an ongoing basis.
- 5 Current elements of the waste programme include a the introduction of a subscription for Garden Waste collection, which will be operational in March 2015, the introduction of a trial mobile recycling centre in Frosterley, the high profile "Bin it Right" campaign to reduce contamination in recycling bins, ongoing work with the University and residents groups in Durham City to improve the management of wastes from student properties in the city and a procurement process for recycling materials collected at the kerbside.
- 6 An update on the progress of the waste programme will be presented by Alan Patrickson, Head of Projects and Business Services for the information of the committee.

Recommendation

- 8 It is recommended that the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee notes the waste programme update.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance – The procurement of new waste contracts are expected to reduce ongoing waste disposal costs and insulate the Council from future exposure to escalating landfill tax payments.

Staffing - There will be some TUPE implications connected to the re-procurement of services but no Council staff will be affected.

The implementation of new collection arrangements will have implications for collection crews.

Risk – Procurement of services on the open market always present some level of risk. Risks are managed within the project office and reviewed by the Waste Board (of members and officers) on a monthly basis.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty – There are no equality and diversity issues to be considered as part of this update. An equality and diversity assessment for the introduction of a twin bin scheme has been completed.

Accommodation – none

Crime and Disorder - none

Human Rights – none

Consultation – Surveys have been undertaken.

Procurement – The procurement processes are supported by the Corporate Procurement department supplemented by outside legal advice where appropriate.

Disability Issues – Addressed in the Equality and Diversity Assessment.

Legal Implications –. The Environment Protection Act 1990 places a duty on the Council to arrange for the collection of household waste and waste from commercial premises when requested to do so.

Appendix 2 – Bin it Right Campaign



1. Recycling Services

The Bin it right Campaign is in support of our recycling Services:

- Alternate Weekly Collections (AWC) were introduced for rubbish and recycling across County Durham in 2012.
- Residents now have a recycling bin for tins, cans, cardboard, paper and plastic bottles, tubs and trays and a recycling box for glass bottles and jars.
- 2012/13 kerbside tonnage collected 46,713 tonnes
- Reuse, recycling and composting recycling rate for 2012/13 was 43.6% (2013/14 - 42.8%)

2. Contamination – What are we finding?

The main contaminants found in recycling bins, in the County Durham area:

- Pet waste
- Nappies and
- Food waste

Other common contaminants are:

Black Bags – items placed in black bags can't be recycled because the collection crews can't see what it is in the bag and it could contain contaminated recycling/waste.

Mixed plastics including polystyrene – markets for plastics other than bottles, pots, tubs and trays are limited.

Textiles – cannot be processed at the sorting plant and can damage the sorting equipment.

3. Why is it a problem?

It cost money!

Transporting, sorting and disposing of items that can't be recycled costs money. Contamination cost Durham County Council £100 per tonne.

It spoils clean recycling

When items that can't be recycled (e.g. food waste, pet waste or nappies) are put in a recycling bin, other materials such as newspapers and cardboard will become dirty or wet and then often can't be recycled.

It's bad for the Environment

Not recycling the right items in your bin and box wastes time and energy at the sorting facility, also transporting the items for disposal creates more CO² and other greenhouse gases.

4. The Bin it Right Campaign

The Bin It Right contamination campaign commenced in April 2014.

The campaign will include:

- Website, Facebook Page and Twitter Feeds.
- Posters and Leaflets in Community Locations
- Collection Vehicle Livery (Agripa Panel)
- Leaflet and articles in Durham County News
- Press Releases
- Door-knocking in Targeted Areas (6 Recycling Assistants)
- Roadshows and Community Events
- Bins Stickers
- Targeting Persistent Offenders (see next slide) and
- Presentations to Community Groups/ Schools

5. Process

Collection crews report a contaminated bin via the in-cab Bartec system and place a sticker on the bin detailing what contamination has been found. This information is automatically forwarded to the CRM, so customer services can relay information to residents on why their bin has been left.

Recycling Assistants door knocking and working with the crews to identify contaminated recycling bins and engage with residents.

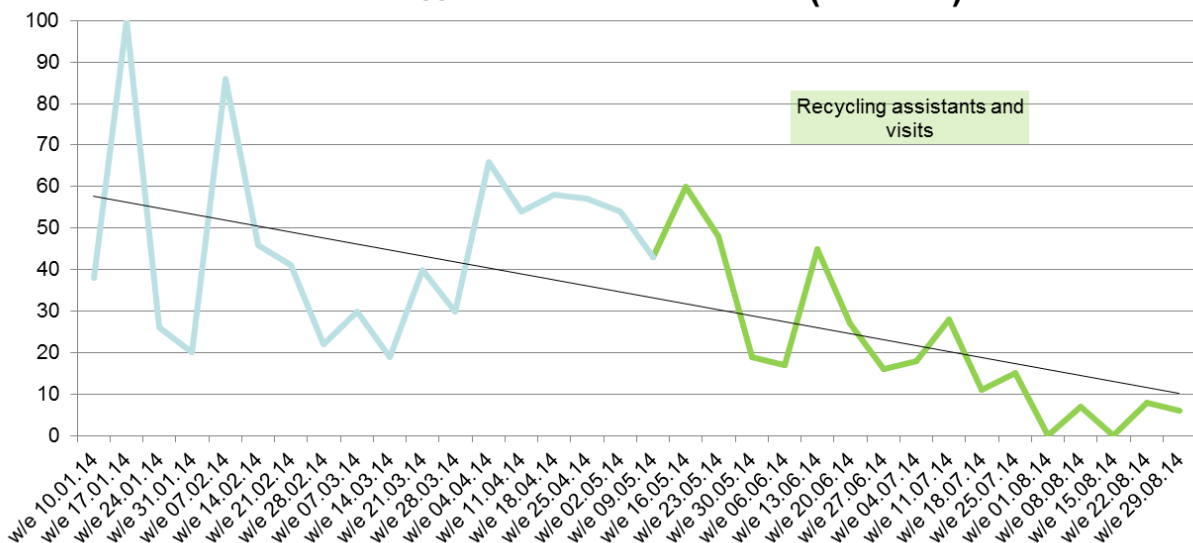
Stickers followed up by letters in a three stage process.

Between 9th June -15th August, 2014 a total of 5,030 letters have been issued. From May – August, 23,973 door knocks have been conducted and over 7,742 people have been directly engaged on a face to face basis.

Results are seeing less rejected and downgraded material at the Material Recycling Facilities (MRF's).



WEEKLY % OF DOWNGRADES (LOADS)



Environment & Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan

Joint Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive and Ian Thompson, Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on the County Durham Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan. A presentation will be given to the committee from Maggie Bosanquet, Sustainability and Climate Change Team Leader and Stephen Beresford, Senior Sustainability and Climate Change Officer.

Background

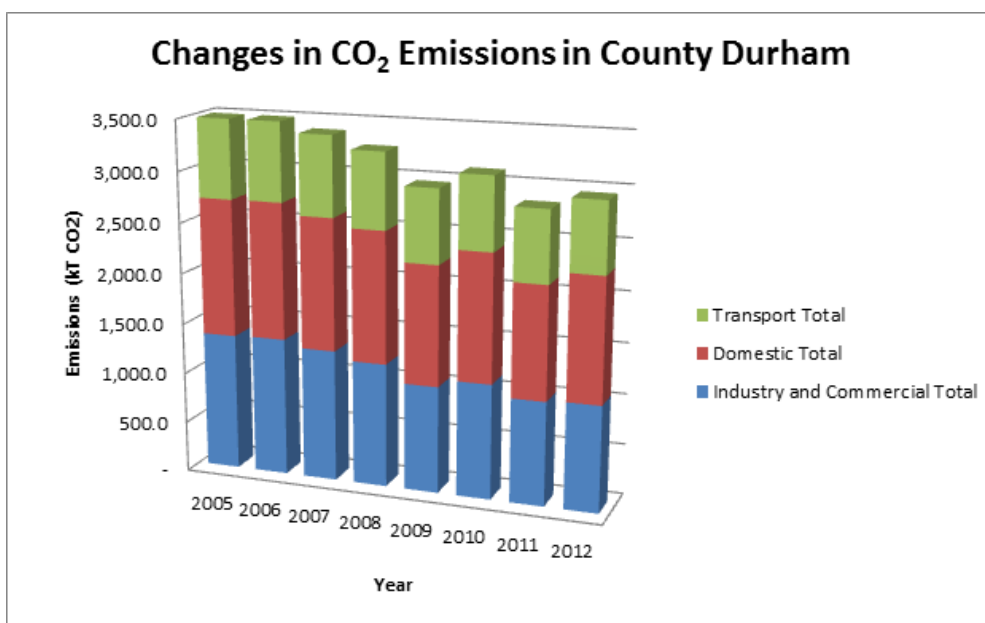
2. The Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed as part of the refresh of the work programme for 2011/2012 to consider and comment on the draft County Durham Climate Change Strategy, which met the objective of the Altogether Greener section of the Council Plan 2012-2016 of mitigating the impact of and adapting to climate change.
3. At the committee's meeting held on the 25th September 2012, members received an overview of the draft strategy and it was suggested that the committee at a future meeting receive an update on the development of the strategy and delivery plan. An update was provided to the committee on 21st June 2013, where it was agreed that a further update would be provided when the strategy and delivery plan would be out to consultation in 2014.
4. At a Special meeting of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 24th January 2014, the committee received an update on the climate change strategy and delivery plan. Members were advised of an intended public consultation and additional information on the process of the consultation. During the presentation details were given in relation to potential ERDF funding. The committee requested that further updates on the development of EU funding programme 2014-2020 in relation to low carbon projects come to the committee in due course.
5. The Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on 2nd May, 2014 provided a response to the Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan consultation it requested, as part of the refresh of the committee's work programme 2014/2015 that an update

should be provided that would detail feedback from the consultation and next steps.

6. In accordance with the decision made by the committee at the meeting held on 1st May 2014 arrangements have been made for the Senior Sustainability and Climate Change Officer and Sustainability and Climate Change Team Leader to provide the committee with an update on the 'Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan' including feedback from the consultation.

Progress

7. The draft Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan was consulted upon over the summer months during 2014. Further consultation was carried out with schools and Durham University students in the autumn. In addition, earlier in the year, we delivered a Members seminar on Climate Change in Your Community, where attendees were invited to comment on the documents and their feedback has been incorporated.
8. As part of the consultation we held a session with the Disability Forum, and the members made some pertinent points that we have tried to incorporate into the final documents.
9. Key points from the consultation
 - a. The majority of respondents thought that climate change was an important issue and our targets and aspirations were appropriate.
 - b. The delivery of the strategy should work to be as fair and equitable as possible. Projects need to be inclusive, and not limited to sub groups.
 - c. Individuals and communities need to be made aware of the issues and be empowered to take action.
 - d. Pupils at Durham schools are aware of the broad issues and think it is important. They was a mixed response as to whether they thought their school was doing work on climate change, which given the level of engagement, was surprising, and is more likely to reflect observations and communications rather than a lack of actual actions.
10. During the summer, the Chair of the Climate Change Strategy Group resigned to devote more time to his new role as a company director and to ensure there would be no conflict of interest in the future. Tara Duncan, Durham University's Sustainability Manager has now been appointed as the new Chair and is looking to re-focus the group into a delivery body.
11. DECC has released data showing that in 2012, the emissions from County Durham increased slightly (there is a two year lag in the reporting from DECC) This mirrors the national trend and is a result of factors such as a harsher winter and an increase in the use of coal in power stations to generate electricity. The overall trend is still good and we are on track to meet our 2020 targets.



12. The content of the Delivery Plan has been shaped considerably by the up and coming European Regional Development Fund, and the Strategy will be used to strengthen bids for this money. In this regard, the documents have been developing as the bid criteria and indicators have evolved and it has been important to await clarification before signing off the final documents.

The year ahead

13. The final Strategy and Delivery Plan is scheduled to be going to Cabinet for adoption in Q1 of 2015/16.
14. The Climate Change Strategy Group is looking to develop its membership to deliver projects on:
 - a. Education and awareness
 - b. Community energy
 - c. Adaptation/Flood resilience
15. The Council is developing a bid for ERDF money to deliver action on community buildings, business energy efficiency and green infrastructure developments.
16. Additional sources of funding for projects, such as Horizon 2020, Interreg NW Europe and Interreg Europe!, are being explored.
17. It is proposed to report annually on Delivery Plan progress and this could be incorporated into the Overview and Scrutiny timetable if requested.

Recommendation

18. Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee are requested to note the content of the report and provide comment accordingly and to receive a further update at a future meeting of the committee.



Durham Strategic Flood Prevention Group

**Minutes from the Meeting held on
Thursday, 20th November 2014, 10.00 a.m. to 11.50 a.m.,
Conference Room 4C,
Durham County Council, County Hall, Durham, DH1 5UQ**

Present:

Paul Armin (PA), Senior Area Drainage Engineer, Durham County Council
 Claire Barry (CB) [Minutes], PA to the Head of Technical Services, Durham County Council
 Brian Buckley (BB) [Chair], Strategic Highways Manager, Durham County Council
 David Charlton (DC), Project Manager, Northumbrian Water Limited
 Laura Dobson (LD), Civil Contingencies Assistant, Durham County Council
 Su Jordan (SJ), CCU Programme Office Manager, Durham County Council
 Martin Kennedy (MK), Sustainable Sewerage Manager, Northumbrian Water Limited
 Simon Longstaff (SL), Drainage and Coastal Defence Manager, Durham County Council
 Phil Marshall (PM), Team Leader, Partnerships and Strategic Overview, Environment Agency
 Peter Ollivere (PO), Principal Planner, Durham County Council
 Tony Ward (TW), Senior Project Manager, Durham County Council

Apologies:

Councillor David Hall (DH), Durham County Council/NRFCC Member
 Les Hall (LH), Development Manager, Northumbrian Water Limited
 John Reed (JR), Head of Technical Services, Durham County Council
 Dane Rollo (DR), Resilience Manager, Durham and Darlington Fire & Rescue Service

	Subject	Assigned Officer	By When
1.	Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 20th August 2014 No issues were raised.	-	-
2.	Matters Arising Shared Intranet Site ICT have set up the set; PA is awaiting the log in details for DCC, EA and NWL. It was confirmed that a generic log in address would be more suitable for each organisation. Evacuation Procedures DR to provide an update at the next meeting. Flooding in Bishop Auckland Updates have been received regarding a modelling exercise in East	- DR -	- 19.02.15 -

	<p>Bishop Auckland. MK advised that a more specific location is required to locate the correct attenuation tank.</p> <p>Flood Map The link to the updated flood map that contains the data set to carry out property counts is to be provided to PA; PM is to action.</p> <p>Sewer Flood Risk Reduction – Property Level Protection MK is to provide the list of schemes on a regular basis to TW.</p> <p>Local Choices / Priority Schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tindale Beck: This has been reallocated to 2016/17. ▪ Seaham North Promenade: The probability is that this will be removed from the programme for next year. ▪ Lanchester: This has gone through the procurement process. The consultant from BWB Consultants who is providing the drainage design and project appraisal report is to commence on 24th November. ▪ Hardwick Road, Sedgfield: PA requested that this be brought forward however it was confirmed that this could not be accommodated until 2019/20. <p>Youth Offending Team PA has reviewed the schemes for DCC however confirmed that this will not be taken forward. SL advised that there is the possibility of using volunteers for drainage works.</p>	<p>PM</p> <p>MK</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>	<p>16.01.15</p> <p>16.01.15</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Local Resilience Forum Approach to Community Resilience Presentation</p> <p>SJ carried out a presentation regarding Local Resilience Forum Approach to Community Resilience Presentation and advised that the following documents can be provided if required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Flood Resilience Guide ▪ Household Guide ▪ Community Emergency Plan ▪ Business Continuity Plan <p>The following points were noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Information has been posted onto Facebook and this is in the early stages; comments would be appreciated. ▪ The flood risk and vulnerable areas are being addressed in the first instance. ▪ BB is to liaise with the Road Safety Manager regarding the events held in schools to determine if combined events could be arranged. ▪ There are five locations where community emergency plans are being discussed and developed as detailed below. The group agreed that reporting on the plans is to take place at future meetings of this forum. 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>BB</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>16.01.15</p> <p>-</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hurworth - Dipton - Sedgefield - Lanchester - Chester-le-Street <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There is the potential to include where complementary works have been undertaken on community action plans; MK advised that this would be more on a sewer plan basis and is to liaise with SJ. ▪ It was noted that the CCU Unit have produced the templates for communities to complete and manage; this could be Residents Associations, Town or Parish Councils and currently they are trying to link in with local churches. ▪ The CCU Unit have a Sharepoint site where the information could be uploaded and copied to this group's shared site when available. 	<p style="text-align: center;">MK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Capital Programme – Dashboard Report</p> <p>TW presented the report. The following points were noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lanchester: The issues have been resolved and this is now on schedule. ▪ Seaham North Promenade Seawall: PM advised that the indicative funding is for 2018/19 or 2019/20 and that funding could be obtained for an indicative study. ▪ Seaham North Pier: TW is to submit monthly claims from March 2015. ▪ Stanhope: This is underway and will be substantially completed by the end of the financial year. ▪ Belmont Surface Water Separation: There is temporary consent with CSO for five years. NWL are currently trying to locate the inputs to disconnect to stop flooding to properties. This is to remain on the Dashboard Report until is brought to a conclusion. MK to address the discharging onto the footpath with Brian Weatherall. ▪ Philmere Road: MK is to liaise with PA to determine the requirements. ▪ SUDs for Schools and Communities: A pilot project has been funded by NWL where engagement has taken place with Woodhouse Community Primary School at Bishop Auckland. NWL are determining if there would be any financial benefit to the school regarding surface water charging. It was noted that schools take ownership of the maintenance plan at the end of the construction. Work will be carried out with the school to produce a common case study. The media will be visiting in December to raise the profile; MK is to send the details to SJ to upload onto the Facebook site. The feedback that has been received is positive. ▪ Blackhall: BB advised that he drove through this area during w/c 10th November 2014 where a scheme is taking place; MK is to address and provide an update to TW. ▪ Spennymoor School: There is a scheme scheduled for next year in a flooding area where it was noted that it would be suitable for the CCU Unit to be involved; PA is to liaise with SJ. 	<p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TW</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">March 2015</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16.01.15</p>

	<p>There is a LEP funding bid for Chester-le-Street regarding the removal of the culvert; bids are in draft format at the present time.</p> <p>PO is to liaise with the Funding Teams to determine if it would be possible to utilise the funding projects.</p> <p>It was noted that the regeneration scheme at South Moor is looking at enhanced funding as part of SuDS.</p>	-	-
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9.	<p>Plans</p> <p><i>EA Flood Risk Management Plans</i> These will be out for consultation from September to December 2014. This does not include surface water flooding however this will need to be included for the next round in six years.</p> <p><i>Infrastructure Delivery Plan</i> This is part of the County Durham Plan. The investigator is to provide an interim report at the end of January 2015. If approved, this will progress to stage two in relation to allocation.</p> <p><i>Local Flood Risk Management Strategy</i> RAB Consultants are to provide the draft strategy during December 2014. The consultation is to commence before April 2015.</p> <p><i>Surface Water Management Plan</i> No issues were raised.</p> <p><i>Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)</i> The consultation was submitted on 24th October 2014 for DCC and NRFCC. The implementation timescale from Defra is Spring 2015. DC/MK are to liaise with PA regarding the maintenance costs on sustainable drainage.</p>	-	-
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10.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p><i>Strategic Flood Risk Assessments</i> PO advised that these are due for renewal as the last one was in 2009. This will be a good opportunity regarding surface water data.</p> <p><i>Integrated Study</i> PA attended a meeting on 19th November 2014 where it was noted that the report is to be more structured. It was confirmed that when the report is finalised this is to be published/circulated to the lead developers.</p> <p><i>Northumbrian Drainage Partnership</i> It was confirmed that this is to go onto future agendas as a standard item to record what is happening and the implication on funding as the</p>	-	-
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	<p>schemes develop; CB is to action.</p> <p><i>Flooding Issues / Training</i> Members have expressed interest in flooding incidents and training. BB is currently reviewing if this could be extended across a wider audience and is to discuss a presentation with SJ for the CCU event that is taking place on 27th January 2015.</p> <p><i>Site Appraisals</i> The EA held a workshop where the key development sites outside of the city were identified along with watercourses through SuDS and mitigation. DCC are to arrange a meeting internally to determine how this will be progressed: PA is to action.</p> <p><i>Chester-le-Street Visualisation Flood Event</i> The EA are producing a DVD that contains interviews with residents; this has been emailed to the group.</p>	<p>BB</p> <p>PA</p> <p>-</p>	<p>09.01.15</p> <p>16.01.15</p> <p>-</p>
11.	<p>Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, 19th February 2015, 3.00 p.m. Conference Room 4B, Durham County Council, County Hall, Durham, DH1 5UQ</p>		