

Guide to consultation

TO DRAFT: Overarching text explaining what we mean by a challenge. How this helps us manage the environment – taking a systems approach and linking with the catchment based approach.

The Challenges are the main issues that limit the uses and potential benefits of managing the water environment in the river basin district in a sustainable way. They have been identified based on the results of public consultation and assessments of the pressures caused by people now, in the past, and predicted in the future.

Water for use at home – levels and flow, waste water, chemicals, climate change

- **Water for use in my business** - levels and flow, waste water, chemicals, climate change
- **Water for nature** – Invasive non-native species, physical modification, plastics, climate change
- **Water for play and healthy lives** – Levels and flow, urban, rural, waste water, chemicals, mine waters, climate change
- **Water for our future** – climate change and population growth, levels and flow

Different Challenges are relevant to particular sectors depending on whether the sector's activities contribute to the issue, the benefits the sector gets from the water environment are limited due to the issue or whether the sector can help with the solutions to the issue, increasing the benefits they and others can get from the water environment.

This [table](#) outlines which of the Challenges are most relevant to some of the main sectors.

Many of these challenges arise from current activities that provide a wide range of benefits. It may therefore not be possible or desirable to fully resolve the issues.

Need to mention RBDs and link RBMP process page

Flood pages and Flood Strategy links

Diagram - source to sea - linked document

PDF: (needs to include content for developers, LAs as well)

A glossary of the terms used in this consultation is available [here](#)