



Water Focused Decision Making Working Group

How can we all put water at the heart of everyone's decision making?

This group will look at how we can ensure others consider water early in their planning and decision making so it's built in rather than risk being an after-thought.

Working group timeline

This working group will initially come together in June, meeting monthly until September. Dates for these meetings are currently being confirmed. During this time, the working group will develop a series of ideas to inform the FCERM Strategy. These ideas will be tested against the ambition, reviewed by the Advisory Group and fed into the Strategy.

Over the summer, the working group will:

- ➔ develop the ambition of the working group for 2050 in relation to this core question
- ➔ generate the ideas of how to make the ambition happen and who does what
- ➔ agree the immediate actions over the next 5 years to make the first steps towards starting to deliver that ambition
- ➔ highlight any potential issues and conflicts to the Advisory Group for steer.

Initial questions to consider

- ➔ Can we develop place-based plans that take account of water?
- ➔ Who do we need to engage?
- ➔ What's the benefit to them and how do we engage them?
- ➔ When are the opportunities to achieve this?
- ➔ Can we build in adaptive triggers to these plans so they can respond to climate change so building in resilience?
- ➔ How can Shoreline Management Plans be built into plans for local areas to help communities?

Anchor points

Legislation, policy, fact	Principles, values
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• National planning policy & housing targets• Some properties will be built at risk in the future	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We want water to be considered early in plans• Water should not be a constraint• We want to develop better places for people & the environment

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