

Fleet Flood Alleviation Scheme



This note is an update on the status of the Fleet Flood Alleviation Scheme. This is for everyone with an interest in the project and its progress. We know there are several public organisations and community groups who are interested in the project. This provides an update on work done to date to develop this project so far and will also confirm the next phase of work.

The Project

We are working with stakeholders to reduce the complex risk of flooding from the 2 main watercourses in Fleet; the Fleet Brook (& Tributaries) and Sandy Lane Ditch. We are reviewing options to attenuate peak flows and flooding, while also considering opportunities for surface water to be slowed or re-directed back into the watercourses.

This project is being developed in partnership with Local Authorities and community groups in Fleet, to identify the best options. After the preferred options have been agreed with the partners, a business case will be submitted to secure future funding.

Project update

**Pre
2018**

Flood Risk Assessment

2014 - Initial assessment study found no viable solutions to reduce flood risk
2015 – Significant flooding in Fleet area led to further multi agency meetings

**2018 -
2019**

Flood Modelling

- The Environment Agency completed surface water modelling
- Natural flood management recognised as a possible way forward
- Partners helped to develop scope and complete appraisal of the scheme

2020	Develop Business Case - Fleet FAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Business Case submitted and gain approval • Partners meet to shape next phase of project • Appoint JBA Consulting as delivery partner
2021	Options Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EA ran a virtual workshop in January 2021 with stakeholders. • This workshop identified different aspects of the project. Partners raised opportunities, challenges, and potential solutions to reduce flood risk.
2021 - 2022	Post Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 20 potential options identified. • Discussions held with DIO, Hart DC and Hampshire CC on the location of natural flood management measures. • We have evaluated a list of options to identify the most beneficial options
2022 - 2023	Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of options with stakeholders. • Second workshop with stakeholders to seek comments and feedback

Ongoing Engagement

We want to work with partner organisations and the wider community to achieve the best outcomes for the area. We are planning to engage with the wider community to seek comments and feedback on the preferred options and will amend our plans where feasible to accommodate any comments and feedback.

Our principal objective when we started the project remains; to provide viable solutions identified through robust reviews and to secure funding sources in partnership with other beneficiaries.

Following this consultation, we have to develop the next stage of the business case for submission later in the 2022/23 financial year.