

North Tyneside Surface Water and Drainage Partnership Terms of Reference

The Partnership aims to secure the following outcomes

Visible Partnership and Accountability

The Council and its partners need to be seen to work together and to be accountable for their performance in this area. North Tyneside residents and businesses need to understand who is acting on their behalf and what responsibilities those organisations have.

Visible Preparation and Management

The residents, communities and businesses of North Tyneside need to be able to see that the Council and its partners play their appropriate part in preparing for flooding and managing surface water in a manner that mitigates the risks of pluvial flooding. North Tyneside residents and businesses need to see that the Council and partners take flooding seriously and work hard to mitigate the risks.

Community Awareness and Resilience

The Council and its partners, especially the Community and Voluntary Sector need to work together to help residents, communities and businesses understand the risks, the intelligence available to them and what they can do to be resilient to flooding. North Tyneside residents and businesses need to feel they know how to cope.

Understood Response Priorities

The Council and other Category One Responders under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 have clear response priorities. For the Council that is the protection of the elderly and the vulnerable. It is clear that is sometimes at odds with other partners' priorities which might be to open the road network for example. North Tyneside residents and businesses need to understand the priorities in a response situation and act accordingly.

The Partnership is responsible for the Local Flood Risk Management strategy comprising

- The Development Plan
- The Implementation Plan
- The Surface Water Management Plan

These are to be reviewed and revised annually: Reported publicly, to include North Tyneside Council's Cabinet.

Membership

Mrs Linda Arkley	Elected Mayor of North Tyneside (Chair)
Councillor Ed Hodson	Cabinet Member for Transport and the Environment
Councillor George Westwater	Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services
Councillor Brian Burdis	Labour Group, North Tyneside Council

Councillor David Ord	Liberal Democratic Group, North Tyneside Council
Paul Buie	Head of Business and Economic Development
Phil Scott	Head of Environmental Services
Jacqui Old	Head of Adult Social Care
Ian Conway	Head of North Tyneside Homes
Jacqueline Laughton	Strategic Manager Policy and Partnerships
Ian Lillie	Asset Maintenance, North Tyneside Council
Barry Pilkington	Operational Director, Capita Symonds
Mike Madine	Northumbria Water
Andrew MacDougall	Head of Rail Infrastructure, Nexus
Chief Inspector Mandy Shea	Northumbria Police
Dave Escott	Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue
Phil Welton	Flood and Coastal Risk Manager, Environment Agency
Diane Hurley	Health Emergency Planning Advisor North Tyneside PCT

Meeting arrangements

The Partnership will meet quarterly, dates to be arranged 18 months in advance. Secretariat will be provided by North Tyneside Council.

Personal attendance is expected but a briefed substitute will be preferred to non-attendance.

Minutes to be published and shared with both local M.P.s.