



### Surface Water and Drainage Partnership North Tyneside Council, Quadrant East – Room 4.01 Wednesday 22 April 2015

**Present:** 

Cllr John Harrison North Tyneside Council
Cllr Ed Hodson North Tyneside Council
Phil Scott North Tyneside Council

Kevin Ridpath Capita

Martin Kennedy
Lynn Preston
Mark Newlands
Northumbrian Water
North Tyneside Council

Andy Lillford Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue

Andy MacDougall Nexus

Richard Robinson Environment Agency
Jeanette Hedley North Tyneside Council
Andrew Holmes North Tyneside Council
Jackie Palmer North Tyneside Council

In

Attendance Julia Mather North Tyneside Council

**Apologies** Paul Hanson North Tyneside Council

Jacqui Old
Jackie Laughton
Mike Madine
Stephen Merrett
Stephen Readdie
Cllr Burdis
Eleanor Binks
North Tyneside Council
Northumbrian Water
Environment Agency
Northumbria Police
North Tyneside Council
North Tyneside Council

Item	Decision / Action	Who and when
1.	Welcome and introductions	
	Members of the group were welcomed, introductions were made and apologies noted.	Cllr Harrison
2.	Notes of last meeting and matters arising	
	Agreed.	
	Kevin Ridpath and Mark Newlands confirmed that the blocked causeway at Otterburn Avenue has been investigated. There had	



concerns.



been some building over, which had reduced capacity. This to be covered in Item 4.

# 3. <u>Killingworth and Longbenton Sustainable Drainage Partnership - Update (NTC/Environment Agency/Northumbrian Water)</u>

Mark Newlands, Richard Robinson and Lynn Preston gave an indepth presentation on the proposals contained within the sustainable surface water project at Killingworth and Longbenton.

The group raised several points throughout the presentation around the projects' sustainability; maintenance costs; that the project corresponded with the Local Plan; the overall costs; and the importance of engaging with those residents that have ideas or

It was confirmed that attempts have been made to design out the maintenance burden of new culverts.

Plans to lower the level of Killingworth Lake and create wetlands to the South of the lake are still a priority. Works to improve the edge of the lake that will be revealed through lowering of the level will be factored in.

The overall estimate for the project is circa £8million. Funding will be through a mix of grant support, contributions from relevant agencies and a modest contribution from North Tyneside Council's Surface Water Capital Programme

It was agreed that due to the importance of the scheme, Senior Leadership Team, and Lead Members of the Authority required a briefing. Also, the emerging plan should be presented to the Authority's Environment Sub-Committee.

Mark Newlands/ Julia Mather

The group agreed that this kind of project is likely to be well-received, considering the level of resident support there has been for the flood prevention schemes so far.





The group discussed a focus for a proposed information event.

The proposal is that the event is held at the White Swan Centre, Killingworth to ensure it is accessible for the lake users – key stakeholders in the project.

The Chair asked that the next steps from this project group be summarised and circulated with the draft notes. (See below)

The Chair thanked the group for the presentation, and praised the great example of partnership working.

Mark Newlands/ Jeanette Hedley/ Richard Robinson/ Lynn Preston

#### **UPDATE - Next Steps**

- Present the project to SLT, Lead Member Brief and Environment Sub Committee
- Finalise and apply the communication & engagement strategy
- Hold engagement event in mid June at White Swan Centre
- Complete Project Appraisal Report for submission to the EA in December
- Agree financial contributions to project from respective partners
- Enter into a formal partnering agreement
- Finalise works design and delivery programme
- Commence detailed design and construction from Jan 2016

## 4. Flood Risk Implementation Plan

Update from Kevin Ridpath on the schemes, including a detailed PowerPoint.

KR reported that the schemes had been designed into the Council Master Plan.

The Chair asked that the financial data on the schemes be brought to future meetings. This was agreed.

Kevin Ridpath

## 5. Flood Season Plan/Preparedness

Phil Scott reported that there had been no call outs since the last meeting.





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6.	Community Preparedness & Resilience	
	Jackie Laughton was unable to attend the meeting, but Jeanette Hedley reported in Agenda Item 3 on the work being carried out on public engagement. A report will be brought to the next quarterly meeting.	
7.	Any Other Business	
	Andrew Holmes, from North Tyneside Council Planning, reported to the group on planning policy, highlighting the changes that have been most recently introduced. He gave information on the Lead Local Flooding Authority, as well as the revised planning guidance and technical standards for Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDS).	
	Andrew also reported on the new North East Combined Authority (NECA) SuDS Regional Working Group.	
	The Chair thanked Andrew for raising this on the Agenda. It was highlighted that there were still issues to resolve, such as our position on maintenance.	
	Andrew was asked to come back to this group with a proposal to adopt.	Andrew Holmes
	All presentations from the meeting to be distributed electronically to the group members.	Julia Mather
8.	Date of Next Meeting	
	The group discussed the time for all future meetings and agreed to an earlier start time.	
	Room 4.01 13:00-15:00 Wednesday 15 July 2015	