



Surface Water and Drainage Partnership  
North Tyneside Council, Quadrant East – Room 4.01  
Wednesday 14 October 2015

<b>Present:</b>	Phil Scott Kevin Ridpath Amit Patel Graeme Hurst Andrew Holmes Angela Gent Gwen Evans Kane Dawson Martin Kennedy	North Tyneside Council Capita Capita Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue North Tyneside Council North Tyneside Council North Tyneside Council Environment Agency Northumbrian Water
<b>In Attendance</b>	Julia Mather	North Tyneside Council
<b>Apologies</b>	Cllr John Harrison Eleanor Binks Stephen Readdie David Foster Mark Newlands Jackie Laughton Mike Madine Stephen Merritt	North Tyneside Council North Tyneside Council Northumbria Police North Tyneside Council North Tyneside Council North Tyneside Council Northumbrian Water Environment Agency

Item	Decision / Action	Who and
1.	<p><b><u>Welcome and introductions</u></b></p> <p>Members of the group were welcomed, introductions were made and apologies noted.</p>	
2.	<p><b><u>Notes of last meeting and matters arising</u></b></p> <p>Agreed.</p> <p>Phil Scott as Chair of the meeting ensured that all actions arising from the Notes had been completed.</p> <p>Killingworth and Longbenton Sustainable Drainage Partnership presentation was taken to the Mayor's Listening Event (Mark Newlands Action). Andrew Holmes - Action to provide information on paving front gardens, and alleviating risk was carried out. Angela Gent confirmed that there are 16 active Flood Wardens. A SuDS meeting is to be arranged outside of this meeting (Andrew Scott Action).</p>	

3. **Killingworth and Longbenton Sustainable Drainage Partnership – Update (NTC/Environment Agency/Northumbrian Water)**

Kevin Ridpath provided this update, with Martin Kennedy.

It was confirmed that NTC is the lead authority on this project, with Northumbrian Water leading on the submission of the bid.

Formal submission of the bid will be towards the end of October, and letters of support for the scheme have been drafted from the local school, college, and other businesses.

Progress has been made on aligning resources for the 2016-2020 period, but the success of the bid is subject to business case approval. Martin confirmed that they are working with planners to align the Local Plan to the work.

Public announcements for the project are anticipated to take place in January 2016.

The group discussed involvement of the Flood Wardens in the project, to keep engagement and interest going.

4. **Flood Risk Implementation Plan**

Kevin Ridpath updated the Partnership on the schemes that were nearing completion and completed.

KR reported on work that had to be carried out again at Green Lane, Dudley, to straighten a pipe. This was completed by the contractors at no extra cost to the Council.

KR reported on the bigger scheme at Murton Gap, which is planned to start in conjunction with work Nexus has planned for the Metro system in Spring 2016.

This project is, in effect, 4 schemes joined together. 2 major culvert repairs are planned to be carried out at the same time. This should be approximately 15 days work.

The local residents have been informed that the beginning of the works has been rescheduled from November to March 2016.

KR highlighted that some repairs in Wellfield will be disruptive to install, but the repairs are needed, some to a one-way street. This will take 3 months to install and a new contractor has now been assigned.

	<p>KR agreed to bring an overview to the next meeting of schemes still left to complete.</p>	<p><b>Kevin Ridpath</b></p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><b><u>Flood Season Plan/Preparedness</u></b></p> <p>Kevin Ridpath reported that there had been no call outs since the last meeting.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p><b><u>Community Preparedness &amp; Resilience</u></b></p> <p>Angela Gent presented an update on the work being carried out around Community Preparedness, and provided group members with a copy of the latest Flood Ready Flood Safe feature contained within the recent Our North Tyneside Residents magazine.</p> <p>AG reported that the Flooding Community Preparedness sub group was being re-launched, and information on this will be brought to the next meeting.</p> <p>AG reported that Gateshead had replicated the Flood Warden model, but have expanded the roles, and wardens were community volunteers in several areas. The group discussed ways of widening the role of our flood wardens.</p> <p>Kevin Ridpath agreed to share photographs showing culverts in the local area, so when wardens carry out visual inspections, they can see what the culvert should look like.</p>	<p><b>Jackie Laughton/ Angela Gent</b></p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><b><u>SuDS</u></b></p> <p>Andrew Holmes updated to the group on North Tyneside Council considerations. He confirmed that the regional guidance had been considered, and reported that Gateshead Council has been developing its own Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). Due to this, the regional guidance work has paused.</p> <p>The group acknowledged that not all Local Authorities in the region were involved in the work, so while the design guidance has been very well done, the breakdown for each Local Authority's position has not been taken forward.</p> <p>Ongoing maintenance following adoption will be a large financial liability for the responsible party. It was agreed that the information be taken to Cllr Harrison after finalisation for consideration.</p>	<p><b>Kevin Ridpath</b></p> <p><b>Andrew Holmes/ Cllr Harrison</b></p>



The group considered self-financing arrangements through new developments as a possible SPD for North Tyneside. It was recognised that any SPD developed now would be developed from old policies, and so there is a need to look at the development of the Local Plan first.

Durham has entered into agreements, and Sunderland is adopting the same model. North Tyneside could share their learning.

Andrew Holmes agreed to continue to bring regular updates on SuDS to future meetings.

AH agreed to provide information to Kevin Ridpath on the situation in Station Road regarding Persimmon and the SuDS in place there.

8. **Any Other Business**

Kane Dawson reminded the group members that there was still time this year to submit grant claims to the Environment Agency.

9. **Date of Next Meeting**

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13:00-15:00

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