Practical Solutions for a New Era of Flood Risk Management

This practical, solution-focused event is designed to address the key issues for problem holders, consultants, contractors and regulators. Get concise explanations, best practice examples, practical discussions, and answers to a broad range of problems and issues, all in one day, all in the North of England:

- Responses to the Pitt Review: how will the recommendations affect the future of brownfield sites?
- How to meet the requirement of a FRA and demonstrate this effectively?
- How to draw up SWMPs and overcome the challenges?
- Sequential and exception tests explained, and the planning application process
- SUDS: Higher up the hierarchy but are they all fit for purpose? Explore features, pitfalls and discover what makes a good SUDs scheme
- How will the new era of integrated strategic flood risk management affect you?
- Responsibilities and incentives for property owners and developers
- Plus case studies and best practice
9.00 Registration and coffee

9.30 Chair's welcome and opening keynote: recommendations and responses to the Pitt Review and the Way Forward

Following the devastating floods of 2007, Michael Pitt was commissioned to write an independent review into Flood risk management. The report was published on 25 June 2008 and makes 87 recommendations. These recommendations have implications across agencies and highlight a real need for a more cohesive approach to Flood Risk Management.

■ How will current legislation be affected?
■ Is there enough being done to ensure funding is in place?
■ How will the recommendations affect the future of brownfield sites?
■ When development is permitted in the flood plain, how do we build in the necessary measures to ensure that it can cope with flooding?
■ What does this mean for building standards/regulations?
■ What does it mean for urban layout, urban design and building design?
■ What does it mean for the communities that have to live there?
■ What needs to be implemented to make way for a better future?

David Balmforth, Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Flood Risk Management

10.55 Q&A panel and discussion

11.10 Coffee and tea break

11.35 What makes a good SUDs scheme?

■ Practical orientation
■ The features of a good scheme
■ Is your scheme fit for purpose?
■ How do Local Authorities regulate SUDs schemes?
■ Who is responsible for maintenance?
■ How can we retrofit them to existing urban areas?
■ Good practice guidance

Fola Ogunyoye
Royal Haskoning

12.00 CASE STUDY: New development at Lamb Drove, Cambourne

■ Residential Scheme 35 affordable homes
■ Project specifically designed to showcase Innovative water management techniques including SUDs and property flood proofing
■ Range of SUDs measures
■ Achievements and lessons learnt

Wendy Hague
Cambridgeshire County Council

12.25 Sequential and exception tests explained

■ Guidelines for Sequential and exception tests
Key benefits to attend and key issues to explore

Get expert information and advice on practical flood risk management

Cover a wide variety of problems and solutions in a one-stop event held in Leeds, so you can avoid travelling to London, save time and money.

Get all the new developments following the Pitt review and find out how the policy will be put into practice.

Discuss case studies, policy and the future of flood risk management.

Network with key specialists and share experiences.

Discover how to overcome SWMP challenges.

Evaluate SUDS schemes: what makes a scheme fit for purpose and best practice.

Explore measures to successfully use the sequential and exception tests.

Demonstrate you’ve met the EA requirements of an FRA.

Learn about new innovative water management techniques.

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What measures need to be taken in-order to effectively accomplish the tests?

Is there a variation in acceptance across the country and can this be explained?

Planning application process and link to FRA

Steve Williams, Planning Manager
South Holland Council

12.50 Q&A panel and discussion

1.05 Lunch break

1.50 How to meet the EA’s requirement of a FRA and demonstrate this effectively

■ Analysing compliance with Planning Policy Statement 25 (PPS25)

■ Regulatory frameworks

■ Current design solutions

■ Strategic development and flood reduction

■ Modernising responsibilities for flood risk management – how will this affect the EA’s requirements for FRAs?

■ How do we get SFRAs and FRAs to address all aspects of flood risk (for example sewer and groundwater flooding), not just river flooding?

Speaker invited

2.15 Building for flood resilience

■ Construction issues

■ Interfaces with PPS25

■ Flood risk assessments and building on potential flood plains

■ Design guide on flood resilient construction

■ Building design

Mike Johnson
Principal Technical Policy Officer (Water and Flooding)
Communities and Local Government

2.45 Q&A panel and discussion

3.00 Coffee and tea break

3.30 PRACTICAL SESSION: Surface Water Management Plans

■ How to draw up SWMPs and what should be considered

■ Achieving the vision: DEFRA report

■ What policies are available to encourage more effective and sustainable management of surface water?

■ Surface water management plans as a tool

■ Improving the co-ordination between stakeholders

■ Responsibilities and incentives for property owners and developers

John Oldfield
Bedford Group Drainage Board

3.55 CASE STUDY: Making space for water, urban flood risk and integrated drainage

The Lower Irwell IUD Project considered Integrated Urban Drainage (IUD) from a strategic perspective, using the Lower Irwell area as a focus for the project and as a location upon which to illustrate and demonstrate project findings. Of principal note, and identified through the use of questionnaires, interviews and meetings, the IUD project overall has highlighted the overly-complex nature of the water management regime within the UK. This set-up hinders the adoption of an integrated approach to urban water management, and is considered a fundamental aspect that requires substantial simplification if IUD is to be successfully implemented. This session will explore the successes and lessons from the project

Kate Zabatis
United Utilities

4.20 Q&A panel, round-up and closing discussion
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