

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER – HIGHWAY, TRANSPORT AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE**

**20 January 2015**

Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment

**ADDITION TO THE 2014-15 CAPITAL PROGRAMME – FLOOD  
MITIGATION PROJECTS IN VARIOUS AREAS OF THE COUNTY**

(1) **Purpose of the Report** To seek Cabinet Member approval to add the following flood mitigation projects at Wash Green, Wirksworth and Hallam Way, West Hallam to the Capital Programme 2014-15.

(2) **Information and Analysis**

**Wash Green Property Level Protection Scheme**

Four properties on Wash Green in Wirksworth were internally flooded in May 2014. The Flood Risk Management Team (FRMT) has also been working to identify feasible mitigation options, which would achieve a suitable cost benefit to attract external grant funding. Given the cost of a robust mitigation scheme, the properties are ineligible for grant funding. The only option remaining for consideration is to also implement a Property Level Protection Scheme (PLP). PLP comprises measures that can be taken to protect homes and businesses. These measures include door barriers, airbrick/vent covers and non-return valves for waste water pipes. This has been discussed with the affected community and the Parish Council. The project will seek joint funding from the Elected Member, Town Council, Derbyshire Dales District Council and the residents themselves.

**West Hallam Property Level Protection Scheme**

Five properties on Hallam Way in West Hallam were internally flooded in July 2012 and 2014. The FRMT has been working to identify feasible mitigation options, which would achieve a suitable cost benefit to attract external grant funding. Unfortunately, given the cost of a robust mitigation scheme, the properties are ineligible for grant funding. Due to these constraints, the only option remaining for consideration is to implement a PLP Scheme. This approach has been discussed with the affected community in conjunction with the Parish Council. The project will seek joint funding from the Elected Member, Parish Council, Erewash Borough Council, and the residents themselves.

(3) **Financial Considerations** The total estimated costs of implementing the projects are £30,000 and £24,000 for the Hallam Way and

Wash Green schemes respectively. Each scheme is projected to be funded as follows, subject to suitable approval:

<b>West Hallam</b>	<b>Value of Contributions £</b>
Derbyshire County Council	20,000
West Hallam Parish Council	1,000
Erewash Borough Council	1,000
Local Community	8,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,000</b>

<b>Wash Green</b>	<b>Value of Contributions £</b>
Derbyshire County Council	13,500
Wirksworth Parish Council	1,000
Derbyshire Dales District Council	2,000
Local Community	7,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,000</b>

A total of £33,500 of funding will be made available from Derbyshire County Council from the Flood Risk Management Revenue budget.

(4) **Environmental and Health Considerations** None of the proposed projects are within protected sites, such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs), Special Areas of Conservation (SAC), or recorded reports of protected species within close proximity of the project.

### **Other Considerations**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, property and transport considerations.

(5) **Key Decision** No.

(6) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

(7) **Background Papers** Held in the Economy, Transport and Environment Department. Officer contact details – James Biddlestone, extension 38563.

(8) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That the Cabinet Member approves the flood mitigation projects at Wash Green and West Hallam Property Level Protection Schemes be added to the Capital Programme 2014-15.

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