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Lancashire local flood risk management strategy 2021 to 2027

Introduction

The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 designated Blackburn-with-Darwen Council, Blackpool Council and Lancashire County Council as lead local flood authorities (LLFAs).

The councils have a range of powers, duties and responsibilities and are responsible for managing flood risk from 'local' sources. These local sources of flooding are surface water, groundwater and ordinary watercourses.

Local flood risk management strategy

Under Section 9 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, lead local flood authorities must produce a local flood risk management strategy which is consistent with the national flood and coastal erosion risk management strategy.

Lancashire's lead local flood authorities have produced a joint strategy which sets out:

- Context about the ways in which we manage flood risk
- Local flood risks, challenges and opportunities for Lancashire
- Our vision for how we can address these risks and challenges, and how we will make the most of opportunities
- Our business plan, setting out how and when measures will be implemented to achieve this
- How we will monitor and review delivery of our strategy

Strategy approval and annual update

Cabinet approvals were secured from Lancashire County Council (4 November 2021), Blackpool Council (11 October 2021) and Blackburn-with-Darwen Council (8 November 2021) through October and November 2021, with the last approval being granted on 8 November 2021. The strategy includes a commitment to produce an annual monitoring report, which highlights the progress that has been made on the delivery of the agreed objectives.

- [Local flood risk management strategy for Lancashire \[PDF 3.16MB\]](#)
- [2023 annual monitoring report \[PDF 443KB\]](#)

Additional information

[Flood risk regulations 2009 - Preliminary flood risk assessment](#)

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