

Flood Risk Management Strategy 2017 to 2023

Helping residents and businesses to reduce flood risk

The strategy improves our knowledge and understanding of the flood risks for the borough

It includes information on:

- What the flood risks are.
- Where you can find out who is most at risk.
- The role of other agencies in helping address those risks.
- The public's role in helping alleviate risk of flooding.
- How our planning decisions and policies will help reduce the risk of flooding.

What will we do?

- Provide information on the risks of flooding to the borough.
- Take steps to manage and reduce the flood risk by managing our assets better, applying for national funding.
- Working with our communities to help manage the risk. This includes residents, businesses and partner agencies.
- Make sure that we have a well managed and co-ordinated response to flooding.
- Develop environmental solutions to flooding for our future generations.

How will this affect you?

- It will direct you to information you can use to determine if your property is in a flood risk area.
- It will tell you how we are dealing with the risk of flooding.
- This strategy does not impact on your risk of insurance of your home or business. (Insurers use a different way of assessing flooding risk).
- It will provide information on the environmental solutions to help reduce the risk of flooding.

What can you do?

The strategy provides information to help you:

- Know your responsibilities in protecting your home from flooding.
- Create or join a community flood group.
- Develop your own flood plan for your home or with your neighbours.
- Identify improvements to your home which will help reduce the risk of flooding.
- Work with third parties to bid for funding to carry out improvements.