

# Local Flood Risk Management Strategy Action Plan

## Objectives

The Local Flood Risk Management Strategy objectives are:

1. To manage local flood risk through the effective management of **flood risk assets, watercourses, and catchments**.
2. To manage local flood risk through **encouraging sustainable development**.
3. To manage local flood risk through effective **preparedness, response to, and recovery** from flood events.
4. To **better understand local flood risk** and impacts, informing approaches to managing this risk.
5. To manage local flood risk through developing and or managing **local projects** for at-risk communities.

## Measures

Some measures, mainly those relating to studies or projects, are not included within the Strategy document itself. Otherwise, the measures shown below are in the order by which they appear in the Strategy document. As Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), Leicestershire County Council (LCC) will maintain a more detailed action plan internally, including detail of costs, benefits, and progress.

### General Measures

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Leicestershire Flood Risk Management Board</b>	The LLFA will continue to coordinate and chair the Leicestershire Flood Risk Management Board	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Individual preparedness and resilience</b>	Risk management authorities will work together to encourage and support individuals to be more prepared for and resilient to flooding	Ongoing	LCC

## Assets, Watercourse and Catchments

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Leicestershire Flood Risk Management Board</b>	The LLFA will continue to coordinate and chair the Leicestershire Flood Risk Management Board.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Individual preparedness and resilience</b>	Risk management authorities will work together to encourage and support individuals to be more prepared for and resilient to flooding.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Riparian guidance</b>	The LLFA will signpost and make available guidance for riparian landowners, and proactively disseminate this in locations of identified priority.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Ordinary watercourse regulation</b>	The LLFA will regulate ordinary watercourses in accordance with the Leicestershire Ordinary Watercourse Regulation and Culvert Policy, and supporting guidance.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Asset register and record</b>	The LLFA will continue to maintain the Leicestershire Flood Risk Asset Register and Record in accordance with Leicestershire's Asset Register and Record Policy.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Highway drainage maintenance</b>	The Local Highway Authority will continue to maintain highway drainage assets in accordance with the Leicestershire Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Plan.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Natural flood management</b>	The LLFA with support from catchment partnerships, will seek to maximise opportunities for natural flood management across Leicestershire.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Catchment partnerships</b>	The LLFA will work with catchment partnerships and landowners to integrate environmental and flood risk management workstreams.	Ongoing	LCC

## Encouraging Sustainable Development

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Surface water consultee major applications</b>	The LLFA will continue to fulfil its role as statutory consultee for surface water drainage matters on all major planning applications, in accordance with national and local policies and guidance.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Pre-application advice and chargeable services</b>	The LLFA will review all options for implementing a chargeable service for planning pre-application advice and other service delivery.	By December 2025	LCC
<b>SuDS Approval Bodies</b>	The LLFA and other risk management authorities will prepare for implementation of Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, and if required revise the Strategy Action Plan if implemented.	By December 2025	LCC
<b>Local planning guidance coordination</b>	Risk management authorities and those involved in development approvals will continue to work together to ensure coordinated local standards and developer guidance, from pre-application to completion.	Ongoing	Various
<b>Local planning policy</b>	Risk management authorities will support the development and review of local planning policy affecting local flood risk management. This includes local development plans, infrastructure development plans, strategic flood risk assessments, and neighbourhood plans.	Ongoing	Various

## Flood Preparedness, Response and Recovery

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Leicestershire and Rutland Multi-agency Flood Plan</b>	LLR Prepared will continue to maintain the Multi-Agency Flood Plan for Leicestershire, Leicester City and Rutland.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Community flood action plans</b>	LLR Prepared, and risk management authorities will continue to assist local communities in producing and maintaining community flood action plans.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Flood exercises</b>	LLR Prepared and risk management authorities will continue to plan and support flood exercises as and when required and resources allow, implementing lessons learnt.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Environment Agency flood warning service</b>	Risk management authorities will continue to promote the Environment Agency's flood warning service where it is available in Leicestershire.	Ongoing	Various
<b>Community initiatives</b>	Risk management authorities will work together to develop initiatives and web-based information to enhance community preparedness and resilience to flooding.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Recovery schemes</b>	Risk management authorities will continue to support national recovery schemes following flood events.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Flood investigation and reporting</b>	The LLFA will continue to complete and publish formal flood investigations in accordance with Leicestershire's Formal Flood Investigations Policy.	Ongoing	LCC

## Better Understanding Flood Risk

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Surface water modelling</b>	The LLFA will manage the production and maintenance of detailed surface water modelling for Leicestershire.	July 2024	National flood funding
<b>Market Harborough Surface Water Management Plan</b>	The LLFA will maintain and coordinate the Market Harborough Surface Water Management Plan.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Cossington flood study</b>	The LLFA will continue to investigate flooding mechanisms for the community of Cossington.	March 2025	National flood funding
<b>Loughborough Surface Water Management Plan</b>	The LLFA will maintain and coordinate the Loughborough Surface Water Management Plan.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Stoney Stanton</b>	The LLFA will continue to investigate the feasibility of flood alleviation for the community of Stoney Stanton.	March 2025	National flood funding
<b>Mease Special Area of Conservation</b>	The LLFA and Environment Agency will continue to investigate options for reducing flood risk including natural flood management in the Mease Special Area of Conservation.	Ongoing	To be confirmed
<b>Oadby</b>	The LLFA will coordinate work with relevant risk management authorities to better understand flood risk in Oadby	Ongoing	To be confirmed
<b>Hinckley and Burbage</b>	The LLFA will coordinate work with relevant risk management authorities to better understand flood risk in Hinckley and Burbage.	Not yet identified	To be confirmed

## Local Projects

Measure title	Measure text	Expected timescale	Key funding source
<b>Completed scheme monitoring</b>	Risk management authorities will monitor the benefits of completed flood risk management schemes (e.g., Swithland flood alleviation scheme).	Ongoing	Various
<b>Pipeline of schemes</b>	The LLFA will maintain a pipeline of local projects.	Ongoing	LCC
<b>Breedon-on-the-Hill</b>	The LLFA will manage the delivery of the Breedon-on-the Hill flood alleviation scheme.	March 2025	National flood funding
<b>Long Whatton</b>	The LLFA will manage the delivery of the Long Whatton flood alleviation scheme.	March 2026	National flood funding
<b>Diseworth</b>	The LLFA will manage the delivery of the Diseworth flood alleviation scheme.	March 2026	Local levy