

**Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills,
Executive Director for Environment & Economy**

Report to:	Flood & Drainage Management Scrutiny
Date:	03 March 2017
Subject:	To report progress on the investigations made in the County under Section 19 of the Flood & Water Management Act 2010 (FWMA)

Summary:

This is a standing item to inform the Committee of the position of all current S.19 flood investigations in the County.

Actions Required:

Members are asked to view the current S.19 spreadsheet online at <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/residents/environment-and-planning/flood-risk-management/flood-investigations/117780.article> (also included at Appendix A) and inform Democratic Services in advance if they wish to raise any particular sites at the forthcoming Committee meeting.

1. Background

This is a standing item to inform the Committee on the position of all current Section 19 investigations in the County.

Members might be interested to know that in Quarter 3 this year (October – December 2016), no Section 19 investigations were commenced. There is a direct correlation between this low incidence of flooding events and the recent relatively dry spell during which there has been little intense rainfall, and reflects the fact that the majority of S.19 investigations relate to surface water flooding. Neither were there any investigations in the same period last year.

The inclusion of an investigation on the 'ongoing' list does not necessarily mean the investigation itself is incomplete as the spread sheets also include outstanding recommendations arising from the investigations. These recommendations can include remedial work by other risk management authorities or even riparian owners, and the completion of such third-party works is outside the direct control of the County Council.

The Committee should note that the current Section 19 investigations shown in Appendix A have been presented to reflect the four new Local Highways Manager areas introduced as part of the recent Environment & Economy restructure.

2. Conclusion

Members of the Flood and Drainage Management Scrutiny Committee are invited to consider and comment on the investigations undertaken in the County under Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 (FWMA).

3. Consultation

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out??

No

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Spreadsheet summarising investigations under Section 19 of the FWMA in the County.

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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