

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

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| Report to: | Flood & Water Management Scrutiny |
| Date: | 17 September 2018 |
| 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 of the Flood and Water 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).

Members are asked to view the current S.19 spreadsheets online (also included at Appendix A) and inform Democratic Services in advance if they wish to highlight any particular sites at the forthcoming Scrutiny Committee meeting.

Link - <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/residents/environment-and-planning/floodrisk-management/flood-investigations/117780.article>

1. Background

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

This update covers the period from April 1st 2018 to August 31st.

A stormy start to the period resulted in three flood investigations in April; the highway network and four residential properties were affected. May was generally dry, but at the start of June isolated heavy showers gave rise to five flood investigations affecting 11 properties, including a couple of commercial premises. There was a further stormy spell at the end of July, with localised heavy showers over a day or two accounting for most of July's rainfall, as a result of which three flood investigations were started affecting eight properties. There were a further six investigations started into flooding of eight residences in August.

This is a total of 17 investigations during the period, affecting 31 properties and the highway network, all in connection with surface water. In comparison, in the same period last year there were four flood investigations.

In addition to the above, two investigations commenced into historical flooding that has only just been brought to the attention of the authority.

The inclusion of an investigation in Appendix A does not necessarily mean the investigation itself is incomplete. It will be noted that in some cases the investigation is marked as being completed, but the flood incident will remain on Appendix A as there may be outstanding works arising from the investigation which have not yet been completed or programmed by the relevant Risk Management Authority.

2. Conclusion

Members of the Flood and Water Management Scrutiny Committee are invited to review 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

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| These are listed below and attached at the back of the report | |
| Appendix A | Record of current flood investigations in the County carried out in accordance with S.19 FWMA. |

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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