

PROGRESS ON PITT REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS

APPENDIX C

Action Ref	Action	Links to:	Who	Progress/Update	Open/ Closed
5 (i)	Recommendation 13: Local Authorities, in discharging their responsibilities under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 to promote business continuity, should encourage the take up of property flood resistance and resilience by business. Emergency Planning had undertaken this in the past.	Pitt Review	MG./SS	It was hoped that the EA in conjunction with the LA could look at co-operating together on this in the future. MG agreed to speak with Claire Nichols at the Environment Agency about the matter. SS reported that work has been done with West Cheshire Business Continuity and local businesses and the Chamber of Commerce. SS and MG to discuss this further.Update: Work underway with the Council's Economic Development Unit	Open
5 (ii)	Recommendation 14: Local authorities should lead on the management of local flood risk, with the support of the relevant organisations.	Pitt Review	MG / DH	Emergency Planning was already leading on this issue. The Cheshire East Multi –Agency Flood Plan has been produced and local partners were consulted in the process.	Closed

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5(iii)	<p>Recommendation 15: Local authorities should positively tackle local problems of flooding by working with all relevant parties, establishing ownership and legal responsibility</p> <p>The Task Group need to devise a way for identifying problems and hotspot flooding areas.</p>	Pitt Review	IB/WA/JR	<p>Work currently underway via placing fluvial, surface water, drainage and potential reservoir flood inundation hot spots on a layered GIS map. Update: Will be partially completed with the production of the Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP)</p>	Open
5 (iv)	<p>Recommendation 16: Local authorities should collate and map the main flood risk management and drainage assets (over and above ground), including a record of their ownership and condition.</p> <p>IB is aiming to layer all information eventually. Getting the land ownership in Macclesfield was recognised as a priority Establish what format is used on Corporate System Focus on Hotspots.</p>	Pitt Review	<p>BP/IB/CS/ AF/RK</p> <p>IB</p> <p>BP/IB/CS/ AF/RK</p>	<p>CS confirmed that Highways had done a lot of work but not finished yet. AF added that this will be a big task. Macclesfield land area is not digitised yet and is some way behind</p> <p>Update: Asset register is underway and an inspection regime will commence in 2012</p> <p>Update: A list of hot spots are under way and will be identified more when the SWMP is completed</p>	Open

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5 (v)	<p>Recommendation 17: All relevant organisations should have a duty to share information and cooperate with local authorities and the EA to facilitate the management of flood risk.</p> <p>RW to check whether part of area belongs to Severn Trent.</p>	Pitt Review	<p>RW</p> <p>RW</p>	<p>RW reported that there was a small area of the Borough which is not UU, and belonged to Severn Trent</p> <p>RW confirmed that it is all UU.</p>	Closed
5 (vi)	Recommendation 18: Local Surface Water Management Plans as set out under PPS25 and coordinated by local authorities, should provide the basis for managing all flood risk	Pitt Review	PH/MG/D H/IB/CS/R RK/AF/JB/ MG/IB	To be addressed On going – Update: three quotes being obtained before work can commence	Open
5 (vii)	<p>Recommendation 19: Local authorities should assess and, if appropriate, enhance their technical capabilities to deliver a wide range of responsibilities in relation to local flood risk management</p> <p>JB to send details of Foundation Courses.</p>	Pitt Review	<p>ALL</p> <p>JB</p>	<p>There is an issue of staff / resources that will need to be reviewed</p> <p>Training and understanding is needed. EA is encouraging LA to put staff on Flood Risk Management Foundation courses – there is a cost attached. Update: Flood officer seconded from highways and should attend Foundation course</p>	Open
5(viii)	Recommendation 38: Local authorities should establish mutual aid agreements in accordance with the guidance currently being prepared by the LGA and the Cabinet Office.	Pitt Review	MG	Mutual Aid agreements are in place with other authorities in the Cheshire LRF	Closed

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5(ix)	Recommendation 41: Upper tier local authorities should be the lead responders in relation to multi-agency planning for severe weather emergencies at the local level and for triggering multi-agency arrangements in response to severe weather warnings and local impact assessments	Pitt Review	MG	Undertaken as a matter of course.	Closed
5 (x)	<p>Recommendation 66: Local authority contact centres should take the lead in dealing with general enquiries from the public and after major flooding, redirecting calls to other organisations when appropriate</p> <p>MG will bring up at the Flood and Water Management Sub Group Meeting (Flood resilience).</p>	Pitt Review	<p>MG</p> <p>MG</p>	<p>Key Call Centre staff given emergency planning training in dealing with major / serious incidents. via an external trainer and then cascaded down to remaining staff via those trained staff. get everyone together.</p> <p>MG spoke to Paul Bayley, Training given</p>	Closed
5 (xi)	Recommendation 68: Council Leaders and Chief Executives should play a prominent role in public reassurance and advice through the local media during a flooding emergency as part of a coordinated effort overseen by Gold Commanders	Pitt Review	MG	Would be coordinated via Cheshire LRF	Closed
5 (xii)	Recommendation 81: There should be an agreed framework including definitions and timescales for local central recovery reporting	Pitt Review	MG	Would be undertaken by a Recovery Working Group at the time.	Closed

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5(xiii)	Recommendation 82: Following major flooding events, the Government should publish monthly summaries of the progress of the recovery phase, including the numbers of households still displaced from all or part of their homes	Pitt Review	MG	Recovery process, includes problems like rehousing – covered in Pitt Review Recommendation 81 above. Housing Options informed of this requirement.	Closed
5 (xiv)	Recommendation 90: All upper tier local authorities should establish Oversight and Scrutiny Committees to review work by public sector bodies and essential service providers in order to manage flood risk, underpinned by a legal requirement to cooperate	Pitt Review	PH/MG	Approach made by MG to Brian Reed in Democratic Services explaining that this whole issue needs to be considered by a Scrutiny Committee annually.	Closed
5 (xv)	Recommendation 91: Each Oversight and Scrutiny Committee should prepare an annual summary of actions taken locally to manage flood risk and implement this Review, and these reports should be public and reviewed by Government Offices and the EA	Pitt Review	PH/MG	There should be a report prepared annually by the Flood and Water Management Task Group. Feb / March 2011 Spoken to Democratic Services, this is in hand	Closed