

Terms of Reference - Scrutiny Review on Flooding within Ryedale

Aim of the Review	<p>The review will make recommendations to the policy committees of the Council and appraise the options available regarding funding for flood alleviation solutions</p> <p>Notice on Motion Proposed by Councillor Burr and seconded by Councillor P Andrews. "In the light of recent floods, we call upon the Council to commit reserves to install permanent pumps at Brawby, Old Malton, and Castlegate, Malton/Church Street, Norton."</p> <p>Aim of the review should be to examine the request, determine both the councils responsibility and ability to fund the motion</p>
Why has this review been selected?	<p>The review follows recent flooding events in Malton and Norton over December and January 2015. A notice on motion was referred from Council</p> <p>The scope of the review is set around considerable uncertainty regarding the effect of the 2015 budget and LG settlement regarding reforms in Local Government funding. These include reductions in RSG and new homes bonus, greater retention of business rates with the potential of costs of appeals etc. Potential estimates calculate that the total cost that remains to be saved from the revenue budget through the 2020 programme ranges from £1.3M to £1.7 from a £6.8 net revenue budget. The additional saving being required from 2017/18 onwards</p>
Who will carry out the review?	<p>The review will be carried out by a task group including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 2 members of the O and S committee (but open to all members of O and S) • Corporate Director • Head of Environment, Streetscene and Facilities • Support will be provided by members of Streetscene <p>Members should note that as RDC has no statutory responsibility for flooding it employs no technical staff to determine, appraise or cost the appropriateness of flooding solutions</p>
How the review will be carried out?	<p>The task group will consider the implications of the councils budgetary position and also the councils role regarding flood alleviation. Potential questions that the committee could consider in scoping the review include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role and responsibility regarding flooding for Ryedale DC. • The role and responsibility of other agencies regarding flooding • The context, extent and location of flooded properties in the whole of the Ryedale area, and should these be included in the scope of the review • Review of the North Yorkshire Malton, Norton and Old Malton recently commissioned Flood study. • Appraisal of flood alleviation options regarding the North Yorkshire commissioned flood study and potential indicative costs of this (from NYCC) and any solutions put forward for Brawby regarding the sewage treatment works (from YWA) • Should/how RDC propose to fund/commission technical support

	<p>regarding examination of flood alleviation schemes for Malton, Norton and Brawby and/or other areas in Ryedale where flooding is of concern be considered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of Ryedale's current and future financial position regarding financial constraints on potential funding for flood alleviation measures
What are the expected outputs?	It is expected that the task group will produce a report, summarising the evidence they have gathered and containing specific recommendations for the Council and other partner organisations regarding the motion proposed
Timescale	It is anticipated that the group will conclude the outcomes of the review by June 2016. Progress reports will be submitted to the committee throughout the review.