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| **Appendix 1 LFRMS Annual Action Plan 2019/20** |  |  |  |
| **Theme** | **Objective** | **Action 2018 -19** | **Action 2019 - 20** |
| **Understand the risks** | **Work with stakeholders to develop a collective understanding of local flood risk** | Up to four meetings with Risk Management Authorities per annum.  A Surface Water Management Plan for Hoo is to be proposed to account for development options in and around Hoo to understand the local flood risk issues under those scenarios. The outputs of this work will inform the planning system regards management of surface water via sustainable options and appraise strategic options to reduce flood risk.  Similar is proposed for Rainham which has been identified nationally as a significant surface water flood | Ongoing.  Due for completion in Spring 2019.  Due for completion in Spring 2019. |

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|  |  | risk area under the Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment process. |  |
|  | **Monitor flood risk** | Ongoing collection of flood incident data | Ongoing collection of flood incident data. |
| **Prevent inappropriate development** | **Ensure local planning policy is consistent with wider flood risk management policies and legislation and provide clear advice on how to achieve those policies within Medway.** | Support Local Plan Policy setting  Updated Strategic Flood Risk Assessment reflecting policy changes and risks associated with surface water | Ongoing as part of Local Plan Process.  Due for completion early Spring 2019. |
|  | **Promote the use of SuDs (Sustainable Drainage Systems)** | No retrofitting opportunities identified, however we continue to work with Highways and Southern Water to identify mutually beneficial projects to partnership fund. One such location is Commercial Road, Strood.  We are awaiting outputs of Southern Water flow studies in order to investigate the potential for | Partnership working with Highways Service to establish potential areas for retrofitting Sustainable Drainage to reduce surface water flood risk.  Two areas have been identified for further investigations with a view to install tree pits to increase take up of water. Areas have been identified in Gillingham and Rainham and are subject to further investigation and engagement. |

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|  |  | partnership projects to reduce flood risk in urban areas throughout Medway. This includes sites in Strood, Rochester, and Gillingham. |  |
|  |  | A Technical Guidance document is currently being produced alongside an updated Strategic Flood Risk Assessment due for completion in March 2019. | Due for completion March/April 2019 |
|  | **Take account of the cumulative effects of developments and climate change on the risk of flooding throughout Medway.** | Surface Water Management Plan for Hoo and Rainham, areas identified for potential development within the Local Plan | Due for completion early Spring 2019 |
| **Manage the likelihood of flooding** | **Ensure development has a positive or nil effect on risk of local flooding to and arising from new development.** | Lead Local Flood Authority Statutory Consultee role for major developments | Ongoing |
|  | **Consider how future infrastructure improvements (e.g.**  **highways, rail, public** | Ongoing as consulted by Project Board and Regeneration Team. | Ongoing as part of Project Board and consultations with Regeneration Team. |

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|  | **realm) could be used to deliver local flood risk reduction/benefits.** |  |  |
|  | **Use flood risk information to implement a risk - based approach to capital investment decisions and maintenance programmes** | Ongoing as consulted by Project Board and Regeneration Team. | Ongoing as consulted by Project Board and Regeneration Team. |
| **Help people to manage their own risk** | **Share flood risk information with Risk Management Authorities and the public.** | Ongoing. | Ongoing |
|  | **Increase public awareness with respect to flood risk and responsibility for flood risk management.** | Annual action. Annual letters sent to riparian owners to advise of responsibilities. Annual and ad hoc inspections of the Hoo Stream undertaken. | Annual action. Annual letters sent to riparian owners to advise of responsibilities. Annual and ad hoc inspections of the Hoo Stream undertaken. |

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|  | **Use information on local flood risk as a tool for flood prediction and warning.** | Ongoing – maintenance of data on Geographical Information Systems (GIS). | Ongoing – maintenance of data on Geographical Information Systems (GIS). |
|  |  | Hoo Flood Alert system. Ongoing maintenance. Partnership working with Highways Service to ensure contractor call out on receipt of an alarm to clear out ditch. | Ongoing. |