





Newsletter

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South Eastern CFRAM Study

CFRAM Programme

Ireland's Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management (CFRAM) Programme is central to the medium and long-term strategy for the reduction and management of flood risk throughout Ireland. It delivers core components of the National Flood Policy whilst also meeting the requirements of the EU 'Floods' Directive.

Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment - This initial CFRAM stage saw an extensive national programme of data collection and analysis to identify the areas where flood risk would be further assessed. A national, formal consultation was undertaken in 2011.

Flood Hazard and Risk Mapping - The South Eastern CFRAM Study involved further assessment of flood risk in line with social, environmental, economic and technical objectives agreed after formal public consultation in 2014. Data collection included historic flood event and rainfall records, and detailed floodplain and channel surveys of selected rivers. Hydraulic models determined flood hazard (where rivers or the sea is likely to flood in extreme events) and flood risk (the resultant impact on people, the economy and the environment). Flood mapping was presented at a series of Public Consultation Days early in 2015 and a national, formal consultation closed in late 2015.

Flood Risk Management Options - The South Eastern CFRAM Study tested a range of options against flood risk management objectives to identify potential solutions. Options considered include high level measures to prevent future risk and detailed protection measures. Project options are available to be presented at a series of Public Consultation Days early in 2016; at which we are seeking comments about the options from stakeholders and the public.

2011

Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment Formal Consultation

2014

Flood Risk Management Objectives Public Consultation

2015

Draft Flood Mapping Public Consultation

Draft Flood Mapping Formal Consultation

2016

Flood Risk Management Options **Public Consultation**

Draft Flood Risk Management Plan Public Consultation

Draft Flood Risk Management Plan Formal Consultation

Flood Risk Management Plans - The findings of the options consultation stage will inform draft Flood Risk Management Plans proposing a list of 'Preferred Options' that are tailored to each community; and which take into account those elements which are most important to each area (i.e. local economic activity, community facilities, infrastructure, the environment and local cultural heritage).

A further series of project Public Consultation Days, together with a national, formal consultation, will be held in summer 2016; at which we will be seeking comments about the draft plan from stakeholders and the public. The findings of the draft plan consultations will inform the development of a final plan in late 2016.

Upcoming Public Consultation Days

Preliminary Flood Risk Management Options will soon be available for comment at a series of Public Consultation Days taking place in February and March 2016 within the South Eastern District (see table). The options which will be presented are structural and/or non-structural measures which have been identified for the sustainable management of flood risk.

Flood Risk Management Options have not been developed for a small number of the Areas of Further Assessment within the South Eastern District. There are two possible reasons for this. The first; is that the detailed assessment has determined that there is no risk associated with the given area. The second; is that where risk does exist, it is being managed at project level (for example Kilkenny Flood Alleviation Scheme). Public Consultation Days for areas for which options have not been developed will be held in summer 2016 to offer the opportunity to comment on the Draft Flood Risk Management Plans.

All are welcome to attend the Public Consultation Days. Staff from the South Eastern CFRAM Study team will be present to discuss and receive comments on the Options.



Stakeholder engagement and public participation are key components of the CFRAM Programme. Direct engagement with the South Eastern CFRAM team offers stakeholders and the public the chance to understand and influence the plan-making process.

The Areas of Further Assessment in the South Eastern District where a Public Consultation Day will be held in February or March 2016 are shown in red on the map with dates and locations detailed in the table.

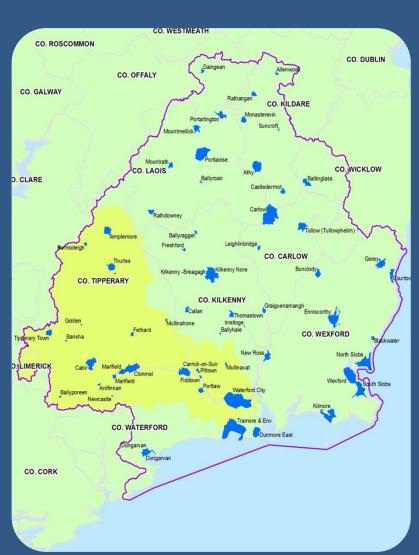
An option phase Public Consultation Day was held in Wexford in December 2015.

Draft Flood Options for:	Public Display	Public Display Venue:
	Date:	
Dungarvan,	4 th February 2016	Dungarvan Central Library
County Waterford	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Davitts Quay, Dungarvan
Callan,	15 th February 2016	Droichead FRC
County Kilkenny	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Mill Street, Callan
Tramore,	16 th February 2016	Tramore House (NRA RDO)
County Waterford	1:30pm – 7:00pm	Pond Road, Tramore
Dunmore East,	16 th February 2016	The Strand Inn
County Waterford	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Glenville Terrace, Dunmore East
Athy,	22 nd February 2016	The Clanard Court Hotel
County Kildare	1:00pm – 6:00pm	Dublin Road, Athy
Baltinglass,	22 nd February 2016	Germaine's of Baltinglass
County Wicklow	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Main Street, Baltinglass
Gorey and Courtown,	23 rd February 2016	Gorey Library
County Wexford	1:00pm – 6:45pm	Gorey Civic Square, The Avenue, Gorey
Blackwater,	23 rd February 2016	Blackwater Parish Hall
County Wexford	1:00pm – 7:00pm	St Brigid's Church, Blackwater
Castledermot,	24 th February 2016	Castledermot Community Centre
County Kildare	1:00pm – 6:30pm	Main Street, Castledermot
Carlow,	24 th February 2016	Carlow County Council
County Carlow	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Athy Road, Carlow
Mountrath,	25 th February 2016	Mountrath Library
County Laois	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Shannon Road, Mountrath
Monasterevin and Suncroft,	25 th February 2016	Monasterevin Library
County Kildare	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Watermill Place, Monasterevin
Leighlinbridge,	29 th February 2016	Lord Bagenal Hotel
County Carlow	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Carlow Road, Leighlinbridge
Thomastown and Ballyhale,	29 th February 2016	Thomastown Community Centre
County Kilkenny	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Marsh's Street, Thomastown
Inistioge,	1 st March 2016	Cois Abhann Centre
County Kilkenny	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Church Street, Inistioge
Graiguenamanagh,	1 st March 2016	Graiguenamanagh Library
County Kilkenny	1:00pm – 7:00pm 2 nd March 2016	Convent Lane, Graiguenamanagh
Mountmellick,		Mountmellick Development
County Laois	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Association
Pathdownov	2 nd March 2016	MDA Business Park, Mountmellick Rathdowney Community Centre
Rathdowney, County Laois	2 March 2016 1:00pm – 7:00pm	The Square, Rathdowney
Portlaoise,	7 th March 2016	Laois County Council
County Laois	1:00pm – 7:00pm	JFL Avenue, Portlaoise
Freshford,	7 th March 2016	Freshford Community Centre
County Kilkenny	1:00pm – 7:00pm	The Square, Freshford
Portarlington,	8 th March 2016	Portarlington Community Centre
County Laois	1:00 – 7:00pm	Link Road, Portarlington
Daingean,	8 th March 2016	Daingean Town Hall
County Offaly	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Main Street, Daingean
Tullow,	9 th March 2016	Tullow Library
County Carlow	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Inner Relief Road, Tullow
Bunclody,	9 th March 2016	The Millrace Hotel
County Wexford	1:00pm – 7:00pm	Bunclody, County Wexford
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Next Steps

Once the options phase Public Consultation Days have taken place, all observations received in relation to these Preliminary Flood Risk Management Options will be considered during the development of the draft Flood Risk Management Plans. It is envisaged that the draft Flood Risk Management Plans will be available for consultation throughout the South Eastern District in summer 2016, ahead of developing the final Flood Risk Management Plans in late 2016.

Thus you will have a further opportunity to provide feedback later this year.



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