

 Regulatory Policy Committee		OPINION	
Impact Assessment (IA)		Flood Defence Consents	
Lead Department/Agency		Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	
Stage		Final	
Origin		Domestic	
Date submitted to RPC		18/11/2011	
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Overall Assessment		GREEN	
<p>The IA is fit for purpose. It provides sufficient analysis and evidence to justify the choice of the preferred option which is reflected in the estimates of the impacts presented.</p>			
<p>Identification of costs and benefits, and the impacts on small firms, public and third sector organisations, individuals and community groups and reflection of these in the choice of options</p> <p><i>Analysis and Evidence.</i> The IA provides sufficient analysis and evidence to justify the choice of the preferred option of integrating the flood defence consenting regime into the Environmental Permit, which is reflected in the estimates of the impacts presented.</p>			
<p>Have the necessary burden reductions required by One-in, One-out been identified and are they robust?</p> <p>The IA says the proposal is an OUT which is consistent with the current OIOO methodology. The EANCB is valued at (-) £0.1 million which is a reasonable estimate.</p>			
Signed		Michael Gibbons, Chairman	
			