

## **Preliminary flood risk assessment: Lancashire County Council**

**This addendum by Lancashire County Council (2017) updates the council's preliminary flood risk assessment report published in 2011. Read the addendum in conjunction with the [preliminary assessment report](#).**

### **Addendum**

The preliminary flood risk assessment (PFRA) and flood risk areas (FRAs) for Lancashire County Council were reviewed during 2017, using all relevant current flood risk data and information.

### **Past flood risk**

Our understanding of 'significant flood risk' has developed as a consequence of the floods that have occurred since 2011, in the following key area:

A significant aspect of flood risk is the resilience or otherwise of a community and its ability to recovery quickly after a flood event. The factors affecting a community's resilience are complex and locally-focussed, requiring personal attention in order to understand how best to support the affected communities. Working with the Lancashire Resilience Forum partners through emergency planning and review exercises, as well as with our Flood Risk Partnerships, the County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority is currently contributing to a number of projects to help boost community resilience to flooding.

### **Future flood risk**

Our understanding of 'significant flood risk' has developed as a consequence of information received since 2011 relating to actual flood events, climate change in our region, and long-term development.

In particular, we are learning from the Local Planning Authorities' Strategic Flood Risk Assessments that are being carried out to accompany the Local Plan reviews. We are using these opportunities to help direct development away from areas of highest flood risk, and/or to modify development proposals to ensure they are resilient and sustainable for the local conditions of natural and formal drainage.

### **Flood risk areas (FRAs)**

No FRAs have been identified for the purposes of the Flood Risk Regulations (2009) second planning cycle.

### **Other changes**

There are no other changes or updates since the original PFRA in 2011 to be reported.

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