# Preliminary flood risk assessment: Sunderland City Council

This addendum by Sunderland City 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 Sunderland City Council were reviewed during 2017, using all relevant current flood risk data and information.

There have been no changes to the assessment of risk since the preliminary assessment report was published in 2011

#### Past flood risk

There have been 271 reports of flooding of any type since the June 2011 PFRA, these Include road flooding and property flooding from surface water and ordinary watercourses. All incidents have been investigated but no section 19<sup>1</sup> reports have been published as the flooding incidents have not triggered the 10 property threshold.

#### **Future flood risk**

Areas of known flooding hot spots will be monitored in the future along with areas identified at risk from 1in30 flood event on the surface water flood maps. Any areas that could potentially benefit from a flood alleviation scheme, funding will be applied for through the Flood Defence Grant in Aid process.

# Flood risk areas (FRAs)

No Flood Risk Areas have been identified in Sunderland's area for the purposes of the Flood Risk Regulations second planning cycle.

### Other changes

Sunderland City Council has made substantial changes to the way flooding is dealt with, within its area by setting up a dedicated Lead Local Flood Authority team which currently sits under the Economy and Place Directorate. This team currently has 6 full time members of staff dealing with flooding and coastal issues.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An investigation into a flooding event that a lead local flood authority (LLFA) is required to carry out under Section 19 of the <u>Flood and Water Management Act 2010</u>, and according to <u>the LLFA's local flood risk</u> <u>management strategy</u>