

Birmingham City Council

Sustainability & Transport Overview and Scrutiny Committee

16th May 2024



Subject: Flood Risk Management Annual Report
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1 Purpose

- 1.1 The report highlights progress on the Flood Risk Management Team's statutory responsibilities as Lead Local Flood Authority and provides an update on schemes, co-operation with other risk management authorities and other flood risk / drainage related matters.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 None

3 Any Finance Implications

- 3.1 None

4 Any Legal Implications

- 4.1 None

5 Any Equalities Implications

- 5.1 The Council has a Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act (2010) to have due regard to the need to:
- 5.1.1 eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act;
 - 5.1.2 advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
 - 5.1.3 foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

- 5.2 The Committee should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them during work programme development, the scoping of work, evidence gathering and making recommendations. This should include considering: How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share a relevant protected characteristic; Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate; Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Birmingham; Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people are being realised.
- 5.3 The Committee should ensure that equalities comments, and any recommendations, are based on evidence. This should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service-users views gathered through consultation.
- 5.4 An equality impact assessment (EIA) has been undertaken as part of our commitment to delivering our public sector equality duty and is in alignment with the planned savings for 2024/2025. The EIA for the '*Reduction in programmed flood risk management and maintenance activity of £50k savings per annum*' can be found [here](#).¹

6 Appendices

- 6.1 Flooded Sites Action Tracker (Section 19 actions)

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https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/downloads/file/28597/eia000266_reduction_in_programmed_flood_risk_management_and_maintenance_activity_of_50k_savings_per_annum