

CIWEM Rivers and Coastal Group Annual Conference
Managing our changing flood and coastal risk
Emerging good practices

January 27th, SOAS London

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Background to the Conference

Sea level rise and land tilt is increasing the threats on our coast and tidally influenced communities, increasing precipitation, storminess and extreme river flows will increase our chance and frequency of extreme flood levels and flows. All these are happening against the background of an increasing population and the development of housing and industry that support this. Lest we forget, we are an Island, so there is nowhere to run.

Practitioners in the field of flood and coastal management are presently doing a lot of head scratching to address the challenges this brings to deliver sustainable communities into the future, where people, the economy and the environment all thrive.

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Objectives

The objectives of the conference are to:

- Share the emerging good examples of how practitioners are tackling the challenges sustainable flooding and coastal erosion within ever increasing pressures and threats
- Identify what future challenges remain
- Identify how flood and coastal management needs to adapt to sustain our communities and environment into the future

Who should attend?

- Flood and coastal management practitioners
- Flood and coastal management policy and strategy developers
- Planners and developers working in areas of flood or coastal risk
- Environmental professionals who deal with the interface between land and water
- Surface water drainage professionals
- Asset and investment managers for flood and coastal infrastructures and systems
- Research organisations and academia at the leading edge of flood and coastal science

Programme

- 09.00 Registration and refreshments
9.45 – 11.40 **Session 1 – Charting the future path** *Chair: Fola Ogunyoye* *Royal Haskoning*
- 09.45 **Welcome to the Conference on behalf of CIWEM**
- 09.50-10.15 **Keynote speaker – Challenges to R&C industry** **Jean Venables**
Association of Drainage Authorities
- 10.15-10.35 **How is government dealing with the challenge – FCERM update on their policy F&W Bill etc**
Linda Aucott Defra
- 10.35-10.55 **Developing integrated strategies for FCERM data, modelling and mapping to take us forward**
Kate Marks Environment Agency
- 10.55-11.15 **November 2009 Flood event in NW England – how did we fare?**
Ian Payne Strategic Manager, Allerdale Borough Council
- 11.15 – 11.35 **Summer 2007 floods – how far have we come?** **Steve Jorden** Wychavon District Council
- 11.35-12.20 First course refreshments
- 12.20 - 14.00** **Session 2 – Learning from emerging good practices.** *Chair: Bryan Curtis*
Worthing Borough Council
- 12.20-12.40 **Medmerry – Achieving win-win for communities and habitats through working with natural processes** **Joe Pearce** Environment Agency
- 12.40-13.00 **Real examples of retrofitting sustainable water management systems**
John Blanksby Pennine Water Group
- 13.00-13.20 **Building resilience into our coastal heritage** **Hamish Hall** Royal Haskoning
- 13.20 – 13.40 **Weston – Using Flood and coastal risk information within development planning**
Rachel Lewis North Somerset Council
- 13.40- 14.00 **Delivering a multi-objective Strategy for the Humber Estuary through multiple funding sources**
John Pygott Environment Agency
- 14.00 - 14.40 Second course refreshments
- 14.40 – 16.00** **Session 3 – Tackling the future challenges** *Chair Terry Fuller* *Jacobs*
- 14.40 -14.55 **How do we create sustainable communities into the future**
Peter Bide Communities and Local Government
- 14.55 – 15.05 **Q&A**
- 15.05 – 15.20 **How do we work with natural processes under an increasing environmental risk? -**
Duncan Huggett Environment Agency
- 15.20 – 15.30 **Q&A**
- 15.30– 15.45 **How will strategy and scheme appraisals have to change? What tough choices would we have to make?** **David Cotterell** Environment Agency
- 15.45 – 15.55 **Q&A**
- 15.55 – 16.00 **Chairman’s concluding comments**
16.00 **Close and refreshments**

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The Venue: The venue is the School of Oriental & African Studies (SOAS), Russell Square, London. This is a new, air conditioned lecture theatre, with all the modern AV aids and professional projectionists; there will be ample space to accommodate the anticipated delegate numbers.

Accommodation: There is a wide range of accommodation available in the area and delegates will receive a hotel list when they book.

The Organisers: The conference is being organised by Bob Earll of Coastal Management for Sustainability (CMS), in partnership with CIWEM Rivers and Coastal Group.

Conference fee: (VAT at 17.5%)

Conference fee	£160	VAT £28.00	£188.00
Concession rate*	£130	VAT £22.75	£152.75
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