

FIGURE 1 PROPOSED FUTURE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FLOOD AND COASTAL EROSION RISK MANAGEMENT IN ENGLAND

<p style="text-align: center;">Environment Agency Strategic overview role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting National Strategy for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management. • Support and guidance to LAs, e.g in producing flood risk assessments and plans. • Develop modelling, mapping and warning systems. • National investment in flood and coastal erosion risk management measures. • Report to the Secretary of State on the state of the Nation's flood risk assets. • Powers to instigate works on non-EA assets and channels when directed to do so by the Secretary of State. • Statutory consultee on flood (and possibly in future coastal erosion) planning applications. <p style="text-align: center;">Delivery/executive role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood risk management on main rivers and the sea. • Coastal erosion risk management work (concurrently with local authorities). • Flood warnings for all sources of flooding. • Produce and contribute to strategic plans. • Consenting and enforcement powers for sea and main river flooding. • Category 1 responder under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Local Authorities (LAs) Local leadership role (county councils in two tier areas)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting Local Strategy for local flood risk management. • Leadership and accountability for ensuring effective management of local flood risk from ordinary watercourses, surface run-off and groundwater. • Production of local flood risk assessments, maps and plans including an asset register. • Improved drainage and flood risk management expertise. • Co-ordinate Surface Water Management Plan production. • Drainage from non-Highways Agency roads • Prioritising local investment. • Consenting and enforcement powers for certain works affecting ordinary watercourses. • Promoting partnerships with local planning authorities to produce Strategic Flood Risk Assessments. <p style="text-align: center;">Delivery/executive role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Powers to do works for surface run-off and groundwater flood risk. • Duty to undertake Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management functions in accordance with local and national strategies. • LFRM decision-making integrated into local asset management and investment programmes. • Category 1 responder under the Civil Contingencies Act including local delivery of flood warnings.
<p style="text-align: center;">EA's Regional Flood and Coastal Committees (currently Regional Flood Defence Committees)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory/consultative role to EA and LAs on flood and coastal erosion approaches, priorities etc. • Consent to levies for local priority flood and coastal erosion risk management work with executive responsibility for work in this area. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Internal Drainage Boards, district authorities (in two-tier areas),highways bodies, water companies Executive/Delivery Role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty to undertake Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management functions in accordance with local and national strategies. • We consult in section 3 on IDB structures, powers and levy raising options.