

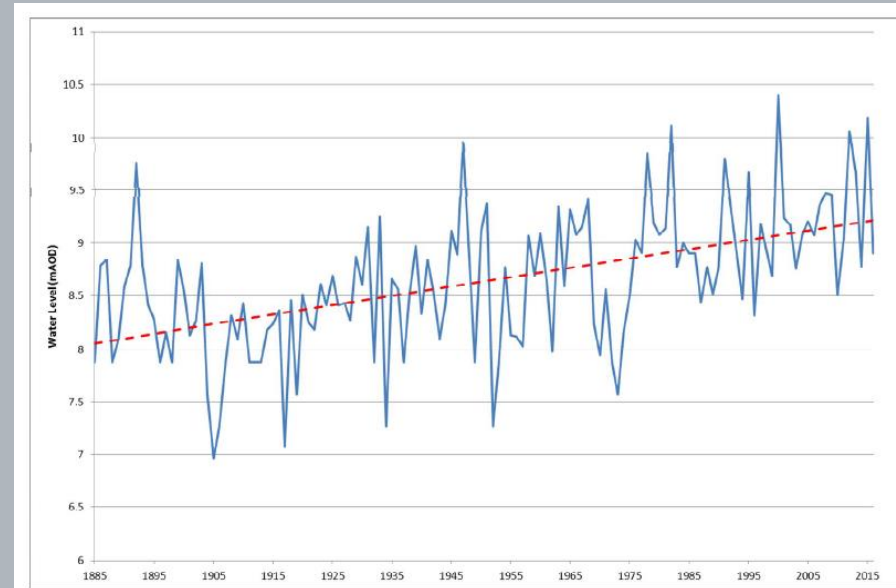
York and North Yorkshire Catchment Flood Management Project

Annex B



Context

- Rising river levels in York
 - Flood defences raised but risk of overtopping will increase
 - 3,500km² Swale, Ure and Nidd and Ouse catchment
- Farming subsidies/grants changing: ELMS



About the project

- York and North Yorkshire Catchment Flood Management
- Managed by: City of York Council (with NYCC)
 - Partners include
 - University of York, Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust/Dales to Vales Rivers Network , Yorkshire Dales National Park, Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Natural England, Environment Agency, farmer networks, York and N Yorks Local Enterprise Partnership, Yorkshire Water, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust (and others)
 - Duration: 5 years (until 2027)
 - Funding: Up to £6m from the Government Flood and Coastal Risk Innovative Resilience Programme (EA administers)



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What the project will do

- The project will take an innovative approach to:
 - Better understand how land management changes in the catchment could affect flood risk downstream
 - Show how natural flood management can protect communities
 - Engage with communities throughout the catchment so they understand how they are linked by water
 - Build capacity and establish a future legacy of ‘natural flood management’ work in the catchment



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Benefits

- Local benefits
 - Reduce flood risk to rural communities in North Yorkshire
 - Cumulatively, help downstream communities including York
 - Environmental benefits (water quality, biodiversity etc)
 - Support farmers and land managers through a time of change
 - Building flood management capacity in catchment organisations
- National benefits
 - Evidence to help inform flooding and land use policy including ELMS



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Ambition

- Influence long-term direction for the catchment
 - Use evidence to influence catchment decisions
 - Understand funding opportunities
 - Take a collaborative approach: not top-down
 - Identify ways of working to support ongoing investment in catchment flood management
- Act as national exemplar



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Further information

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