

Amendment by Councillor Charles Marshall

This Council notes:

The publication of the Hurlston Brook Flood Risk Study.

This Council believes:

Appropriate action must be taken to protect residents, businesses and land affected by, or at risk of, flooding in West Lancashire.

This Council resolves:

i) That the Leader and Chief Executive write to the Leader and Chief Executive of Lancashire County Council (as the Lead Local Flood Authority) and the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to request:

(a) the consideration of some element of large scale investment to protect West Lancashire from further flooding; and,

(b) that Lancashire County Council and the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs lead a multi-agency partnership response with the private sector to access any financial opportunities that may be available to fund the protection of West Lancashire from flooding.

ii) To form a Flooding and Drainage Committee to be comprised of three Labour members and two Conservative members to:

(a) consider the recommendations of the Hurlston Brook Flood Risk Study;

(b) consider how a wider, more co-ordinated approach to managing flooding and drainage across the whole Borough could be achieved;

(c) liaise with Lancashire County Council, neighbouring Local Authorities, and any other relevant bodies on the issue of flooding and drainage;

(d) investigate any opportunities for relevant funding from appropriate bodies; and,

(e) report back to future meetings of Full Council with its findings and recommendations.