Proofing the Concept of Sustainable Drainage Schemes Using an Integrated Urban Drainage Model



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#### St Austell Resilient Regeneration (StARR) Project

- Recognition that flooding cannot be entirely prevented, but via a partnership approach the risk can be reduced;
- Partners in StARR Project Include:-
  - Environment Agency;
  - o Cornwall Council;
  - South West Water;
  - o University of Exeter;
  - Cornwall Development Company;
  - West Country Rivers Trust.
- £20M bid to:-
  - reduce flood risk and pollution affecting >500 homes & 200 businesses;
  - reduce flood risk to strategic road and London rail network;
  - work with nature to reduce flood risk & create habitats;
  - encourage investment in area through greater resilience and increase the wellbeing of the affected communities.





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## Par Lane SWMP Case Study



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Par Lane Integrated Urban Drainage Management – The Key Players



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The Local Community





# **Project History**

- 2004 SWW/PF Par DAS/DAP;
- 2006 SWW/PF DG5 Evaluation 5 Internals / 18 Externals;
- 2010 EA/Capita Symonds ISIS -Tuflow Fluvial Model;
- 2012 SWW Supplementary DG5 Evaluation Report Recommending Need For A SWMP;
- 2014 SWW/EA/Cornwall Council/PF SWMP Phase 1;
- 2015 SWW/EA/Cornwall Council/PF SWMP Phase 2 (Incl. Flooding Appraisal & Options Report);
- 2016 SWW/EA/Cornwall Council/PF/Mott MacDonald EU Regional Development Fund Application - SWMP Supporting Information Report.



#### Simplified Schematic of Drainage within the Study Area

### **Flooding History**



Flood Locations (hydraulic overload) Flood Hotspots Area less susceptible to surface water flooding Area with intermediate susceptibility to surface water flooding

> Area more susceptible to surface water flooding

# **Flooding Mechanisms**

- Multiple sources and complex i.e. All drainage (Incl. Highway Drains, Public SW Sewers, Combined Sewers and Watercourses) systems become inundated and flood under varying conditions;
- Direct rainfall runoff, boundary conditions (tide & river levels), mine adit flows and infiltration all play a part too.





#### Table 1 - Sources of Flooding at Brooks Corner

	Flood Event			
	5 year	10 year	30 year	100 year
Inverted Siphon (currently maintained by SWW)	0%	0%	1%	2%
Highway Drainage (CC)	48%	48%	55%	60%
Combined Sewers (SWW)	7%	10%	2%	2%
Surface Water Sewers (SWW)	0%	0%	0%	1%
Biscovey Stream (CC/EA)	18%	22%	30%	26%
Overland Flows (private landowners)	27%	19%	11%	6%
St. Blazey Stream (EA)	0%	0%	0%	3%



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## Surveys Undertaken

- Private Drainage Surveys;
- Impermeable Area & Connectivity Surveys;
- CCTV Surveys;
- Flow Surveys;
- Manhole & Ancillary Surveys;
- River Channel & Culvert Surveys;
- Site Walkovers;
- Flooding Questionnaires & Public Meetings.



### Modelling Undertaken

- 1D Type II DAP SWW Combined Sewer Model;
- Model Enhancement (Incl. SW/Highway Sewers & Watercourses);
- Model Updated With Additional Survey Information;
- 2D Model of Affected Area Incl. Infiltration Zones On Surrounding Hillsides To Yield Greenfield Runoff Using The Horton Method;
- Verification of IUDM Model;
- Existing Performance Assessment & Historical Verification;
- Creation Of Design Horizon Model (Incl. Allowances For Development Growth, Climate Change & Urban Creep);
- Joint Probability Analysis Of Return Period Rainfall;
- Sensitivity Testing (Incl. Proofing Concept Solutions);
- Detailed Option Modelling.

### Climate Change & Joint Probability (Rainfall & Sea Level)

#### Climate Change

- "Adapting to Climate Change: Advice for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Authorities", EA;
- Joint Probability
- "Methods in Flood Management: A Guide to Best Practice R&D Technical Report FD2308/TR2", Defra / EA;
- "Joint Probability: Dependence Mapping and Best Practice: Technical report on dependence mapping, R&D Technical Report FD2308/TR1", Defra / EA, March 2005.





Winter months





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# **Proofing Concept Solutions**

- Why? To Support Funding Application From EU Regional Development Fund;
- How? Working With Other Stakeholders To Agree What Can Be Achieved & Testing Concepts Using IUDM Model;
- When? 1 Month Tight Timescale Requiring Frequent Meetings Between Parties & Use Of Shared Desktop / Teleconferencing.

# **Concepts Modelled**

- Limiting Flows Within The St. Blazey Stream to 1.1 m<sup>3</sup>/s;
- Intercepting & Storing Runoff In The Upper Catchment (Incl. Detention Basins / Raingardens);
- Diverting Overland Flow Paths From Brooks Corner;
- Increased Pump Rate Of Biscovey Stream and modifications to the Tredenham Close CSO.

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### Limiting Flows Within The St. Blazey Stream



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## Intercepting Flows In Upper Catchment



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#### Increased Pump Rate At Tredenham Close SPS & Diversion Of CSO



# Diverting Overland Flow Paths





#### Latest Options

#### Scheme 1 – Least Cost / Highest Risk Option

Mitigate hot-spots where raising kerbs may provide a design exceedance route; Burrows Centre Detention Basins

5 x rural basins (capacity ~30cu.m each) to be installed north of Biscovey

Attenuation in Double Trees school ('soft / green' areas only)

1 x 10m wide contour tree planting strip across full width of fields north of Biscovey

#### Scheme 2 – Medium Cost / Medium Risk Option Incl. Scheme 1, PLUS:

Harbour Road exceedance route

Rain Gardens (Par Lane section only)

5x ADDITIONAL rural basins to be installed north of Biscovey (10 total)

1 x ADDITIONAL 10m wide contour tree planting strip across full width of fields north of Biscovey (2 TOTAL)

Attenuation in Double Trees school (ADDITIONAL attenuation under carparks)

#### Scheme 3 – High Cost / Low Risk Option Incl Scheme 2, PLUS

All other rain garden opportunities;

Maximise attenuation in Doubletrees School

1 x ADDITIONAL 10m wide contour tree planting strip across full width of fields north of Biscovey (3 TOTAL)

All other detention basin opportunities

LOWER CATCHMENT

let water flow





### **Conclusions / Lessons Learnt**

- Good survey data is required e.g. MH, IAS, CCTV;
- Use of long term flow monitors / sensors and raingauges to better understand performance and to trigger maintenance;
- Sewer ownership issues need to be discussed and resolved. Who will own / maintain assets?;
- Use of long term flow monitors / sensors and raingauges to better understand performance and to trigger maintenance;

## **Next Steps**

- Further modelling / meetings to discuss, agree and refine options (Complete Phase 3 SWMP);
- Review constructability (Phase 4 SWMP);
- Cost options;
- Agree preferred solution and phasing;
- Public engagement;
- Secure funding;
- Progress detailed design;
- Engage contractor and implement solution;
- Review performance.

# **Questions**?

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