

SEFTON SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN STEERING GROUP OBJECTIVES

The following revised list of Objectives for the Sefton Surface Water Management Plan were agreed following discussion at the Steering Group Meeting No.2 held on 6th August 2010 .

- 1. To determine and map current and potential surface water flood risk areas across the Sefton MBC area, irrespective of source.**
- 2. To determine the consequences of surface water flooding on people, property, infrastructure and the environment, now and in the future.**
- 3. To identify an effective, affordable and achievable strategy with sustainable and cost-beneficial measures to mitigate surface water flood risk, which achieve multiple benefits where possible, and which make the most of opportunities for economic, social and environmental enhancement.**
- 4. To improve co-operation and co-ordination for better working relationships between Key Partners to the Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP) comprising Sefton Council, the Environment Agency, United Utilities and other stakeholders influencing surface water management, including establishment of a standing liaison requirement for subsequent delivery of the SWMP measures and any review of the SWMP.**
- 5. To assess potential flood risk management measures to Critical and Vulnerable Infrastructure within Sefton.**
- 6. To inform and advise spatial planning so that new development is directed away from areas at greatest risk of actual and potential surface water and other flooding so that appropriate surface water mitigation measures are promoted.**
- 7. To assess the likely impact of potential flood risk management measures including their contribution to eco-hydrological benefit (ie WFD compliance) and to specific locations identified for potential development and thereby seek to inform future spatial planning policy and site guidance briefs.**
- 8. To contribute to meeting the requirements of the Flood Risk Management Regulations, 2009 and the Flood and Water Management Act, 2010, and inform emergency planning decisions.**
- 9. To develop an Action Plan for the delivery of SWMP measures showing how partners and stakeholders will work together to finance and implement the preferred measures.**
- 10. To periodically review the appropriateness of SWMP datasets and modelling, the delivery of the Action Plan, the means of implementation and to monitor the effectiveness of the enacted SWMP measures, and to update the SWMP where resources allow.**
- 11. To develop and implement an effective communications strategy involving all Partners that engages the affected communities and all stakeholders and helps their understanding of surface water flooding issues in Sefton.**