

Flooding - who does what?

Organisations with roles and responsibilities in Flood Risk Management

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)

www.defra.gov.uk

- Planning for national flood emergencies
- Grant aid for land drainage works
- Funding EA flood management activities

Environment Agency (EA)

www.environment-agency.gov.uk

- Ensuring the maintenance of main rivers
- Monitoring and forecasting river levels
- Providing and operating flood warning systems
- Category One Responder to local and national emergencies
- Lead authority for flood risk management in England and Wales for main rivers.

Norfolk County Council (NCC)

www.norfolk.gov.uk

- The Lead Local Flood Authority - co-ordinates local flood risk management
- Highways drainage
- Ditches and balancing ponds on NCC land, also responsible for bridges and culverted watercourses under the highway
- Category One Responder to local and national emergencies
- Enforcing maintenance of land drainage by riparian owners where the highway is affected
- Road closures

Great Yarmouth Borough Council (GYBC)

www.great-yarmouth.gov.uk

- Ditches and balancing ponds on Borough owned land
- Enforcing maintenance of land drainage by riparian owners
- Category One Responder to local and national emergencies
- Providing temporary accommodation in an emergency

Anglian Water (AW)

www.anglianwater.co.uk

- Flooding from public foul, combined and surface water sewers
- Flooding from burst water supply pipes
- Ditches and balancing ponds on AW owned land
- Category Two Responder to local and national emergencies

Internal Drainage Boards (IDBs)

- Provision of flood defences and water level management in low lying areas
- Maintenance and protection of key watercourses

Parish Councils

- Advising agencies of local flooding issues
- Ditches on parish council owned land

Private householders and land owners

- Land drainage on their own property
- Watercourses where they are the riparian owner
- Protecting their own property from flooding
- Repairing any flood damage to their own property