

Project Overview

Project Title

Capital Flood Risk Management Programme

Main Funding Programme

Single Investment Fund

Current Forecast Project cost

£168,000,000

Funding Applied from the Combined Authority now

£10,000,000

Other public sector funding amounts and sources

£95m of levered funds from a combination of five sources:

- £33.1m from DEFRA Grant-in-Aid (GiA)
- £1.4m from the Local Levy (local authorities)
- £31.9m indicative allocation from other Government department funding
- £5.2m allocation from the Asset Replacement Allowance
- £23.3m from other funding sources including central Government, local authority, and private sector contributions.

Private sector funding amounts and sources

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Scheme Description

The Capital Flood Risk Management Programme will enhance flood protection and climate resilience for homes and businesses across West Yorkshire and consists of 23 identified schemes. The programme will deliver new flood protection as well as refurbishing/ improving existing arrangements. The programme will also deliver some natural flood management measures.

Business Case Summary

Strategic Case

The Capital Flood Risk Management Programme contributes to the delivery of the West Yorkshire Investment Strategy (WYIS) Investment Priority 3 (IP3) – Creating Great Places and Accelerated Infrastructure. The WYIS identifies 'increasing flood resilience' as a desired outcome and 'accelerating flood risk management schemes' as part of a wider approach to climate change mitigation, resilience and carbon sequestration' as a priority area for investment under IP3. The programme will achieve this through the delivery of 23 schemes which have the potential to:

- Enhance flood protection to approximately 2,560 homes and 2,271 businesses employing approximately 28,952 FTE jobs.

In addition the programme will also support the delivery of the following Investment Priorities (IP) and mayoral pledges:

- IP 1: Good Jobs and Resilient Businesses and the Mayor's pledge to support local businesses and be a champion for our local economy. It is estimated that the construction phase of the Capital Flood Risk Management Programme equates to 1,539 FTE jobs, primarily in the construction sector. However, a number of these are also likely to be within the environment and green jobs sectors.
- IP 2: Skills and Training for People and the Mayor's pledge to create 1,000 well paid, skilled, green jobs for young people. The investment and delivery of flood schemes will also align with this pledge.
- IP 4: Tackling the Climate Emergency and Environmental Sustainability and the Mayor's pledge to tackle the climate emergency and protect our environment. Carbon reduction is a target for all projects in the programme.

The Combined Authority declared a climate emergency in 2019, supported by our five local authorities, and established a target to be net zero carbon by 2038, 12 years ahead of the national net zero target. In support of this target, the Combined Authority's 2022-23 Corporate Plan has committed the organisation to 'building a sustainable, nature rich and carbon neutral region'. The Capital Flood Risk Management Programme will contribute towards delivering this objective, through ensuring our communities are resilient to the risks of climate change, demonstrating the strong alignment between the Combined Authority's corporate objectives and this programme.

The programme will also contribute to the delivery of various national and regional strategies, including the National Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England, the Leeds City Region Flood Review, the Leeds City Region Strategic Economic Framework, and West Yorkshire Authorities Local Plans.

Economic Case

The programme has assessed a long list of options against the strategic objectives and critical success factors via a RAG rating, resulting in the identification of a short list of options, and a Preferred Way Forward which provides the optimal option in delivering the 23 schemes. The subsequent business cases will provide a more in-depth economic assessment.

Commercial Case

Procurement of suppliers to deliver the various elements of the schemes will be undertaken as part of the project business cases.

Financial Case

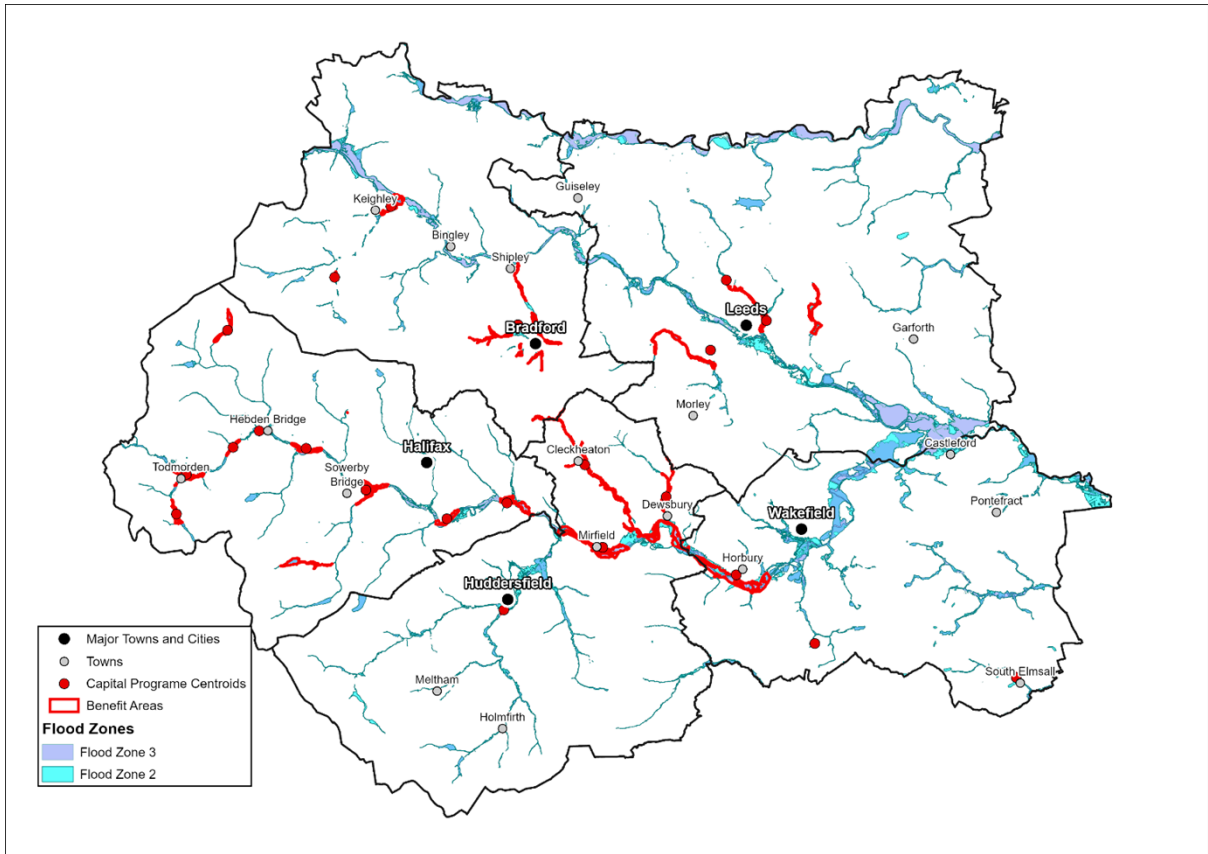
The total full programme costs is £168,000,000. This will be funded through various public and private sector funding.

Management Case

The programme will be managed by the Combined Authority.

Location Map

The following map shows the areas that will benefit from the flood protection measures in this programme.



Please note, depending on the level of scheme development, the location and scope of the schemes indicated here are indicative only. For further information on Combined Authority schemes across the Leeds City Region, please refer to: [Leeds City Region Infrastructure Map - West Yorkshire Combined Authority](#)