Chew Stoke Flood Risk Workshop

Property Level Protection (PLP) Frequently Asked Questions

Planning permission

The flood protection measures are not likely to need planning permission but some may need Listed Building Consent.

Listed Building Consent

English Heritage have already considered the flooding issues and are aware of the restrictions and recommended measures. Applications may therefore be needed.

Home owner consultation

This is on a voluntary basis. We have already contacted all home owners in the areas we are considering for PLP schemes for this financial year. For areas we are not currently considering, we would be grateful if home owners, with a concern of flood risk, should contact us to register their interest.

Do the flood protection measures work?

The products have been tested and approved by British Standards.

Who owns the products and for how long?

The owner of the property would own the products although the product remains a fixture to the property and is responsible for its maintenance and deployment. There is no time limit on this, however there will be a suppliers warranty.

What about elderly people who can't deploy the products?

This should be taken into account in the surveyor's recommendations. We are also hoping that neighbours might help, possibly through a flood warden agreement.

For further Information

• To find out more please see the Defra website here:

http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/flooding/manage/propertylevel/index.htm

- Flooding and Historic Buildings Technical Advice Note: http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/publications/flooding-and-historic-buildings/
- Sign up to our flood warning service here: http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/38289.aspx
- National Flood Forum http://www.floodforum.org.uk/
- Flood Protection Association: http://www.floodprotectionassoc.co.uk/
- Know your flood risk: http://www.knowyourfloodrisk.co.uk/

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There are just over half a million people in the South West who live and work in properties at risk of flooding. Are you one of them?

www.environment-agency.gov.uk/floodsouthwest