

Flood risk survey 2025

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

01 August 2025 - 26 September 2025

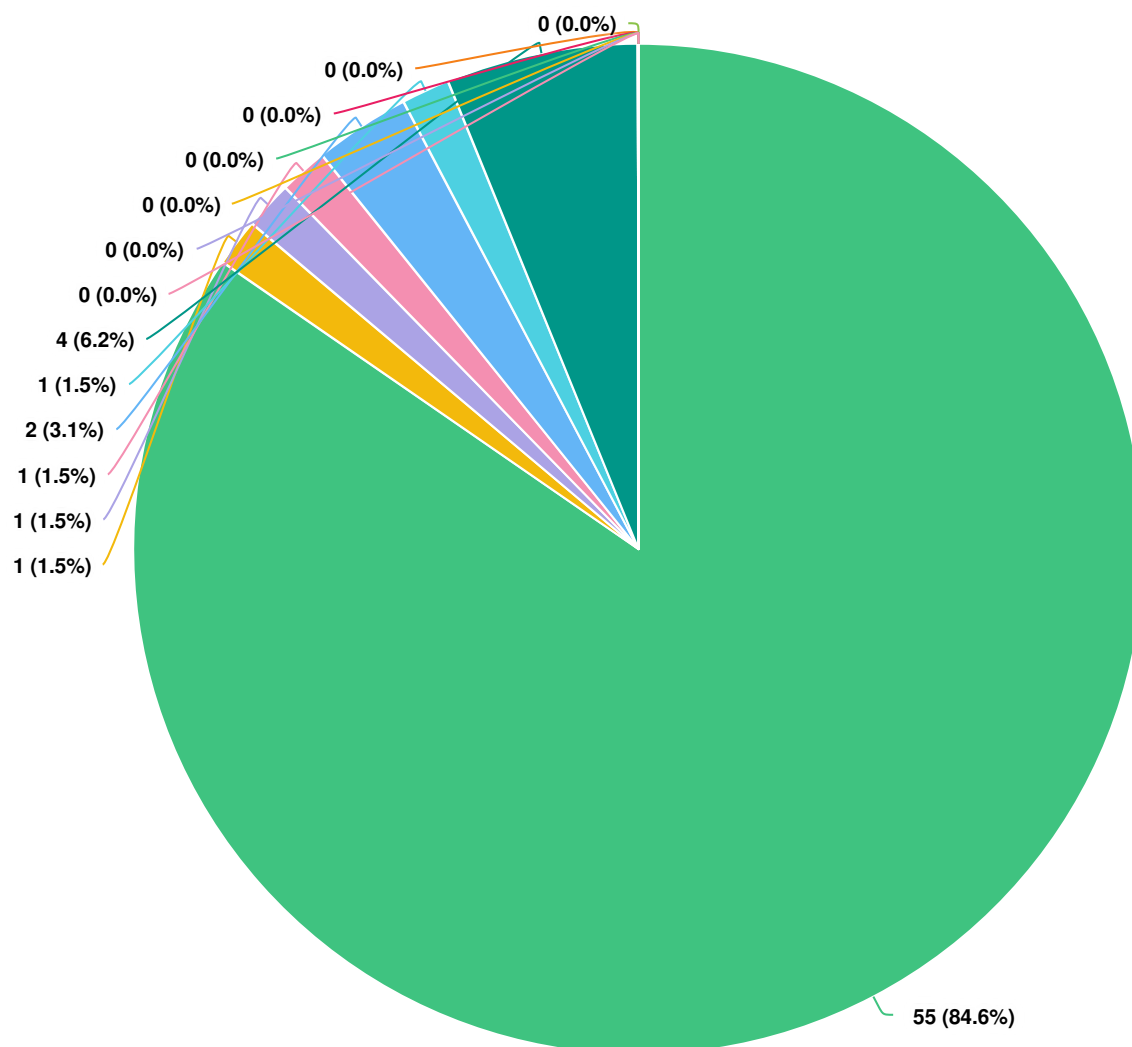
PROJECT NAME:

Managing local flood risk in Monmouthshire



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 Please tell us if you are responding to this survey as one of the following...Please choose the option that you feel is mos...



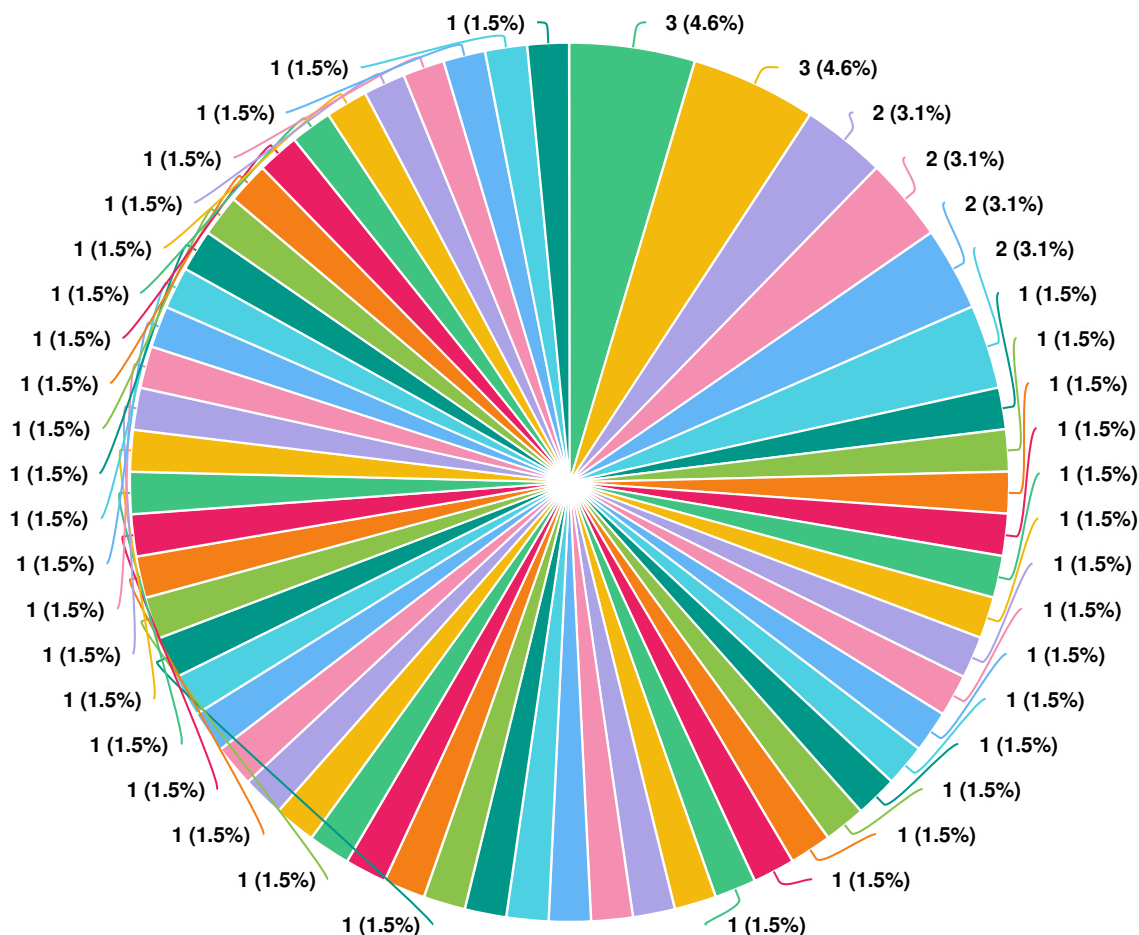
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- A resident of Monmouthshire
 ● A local community group
 ● A Town Council
- An environmental group, eg. local nature reserve or wildlife trust
 ● A local elected member/councillor
- Transport provider, such as bus or train operator
 ● Other (please specify)
 ● A local business
 ● A Community Council
- An environmental body or regulator
 ● One of the emergency services
- Utility company, such as water or electricity provider
 ● An education provider, such as school or college
- Health provider, such as GP surgery or hospital

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q2 Please supply your postcode (home if responding as a resident, or a business postcode otherwise please). This will help identify if certain areas are reporting similar concerns or issues.



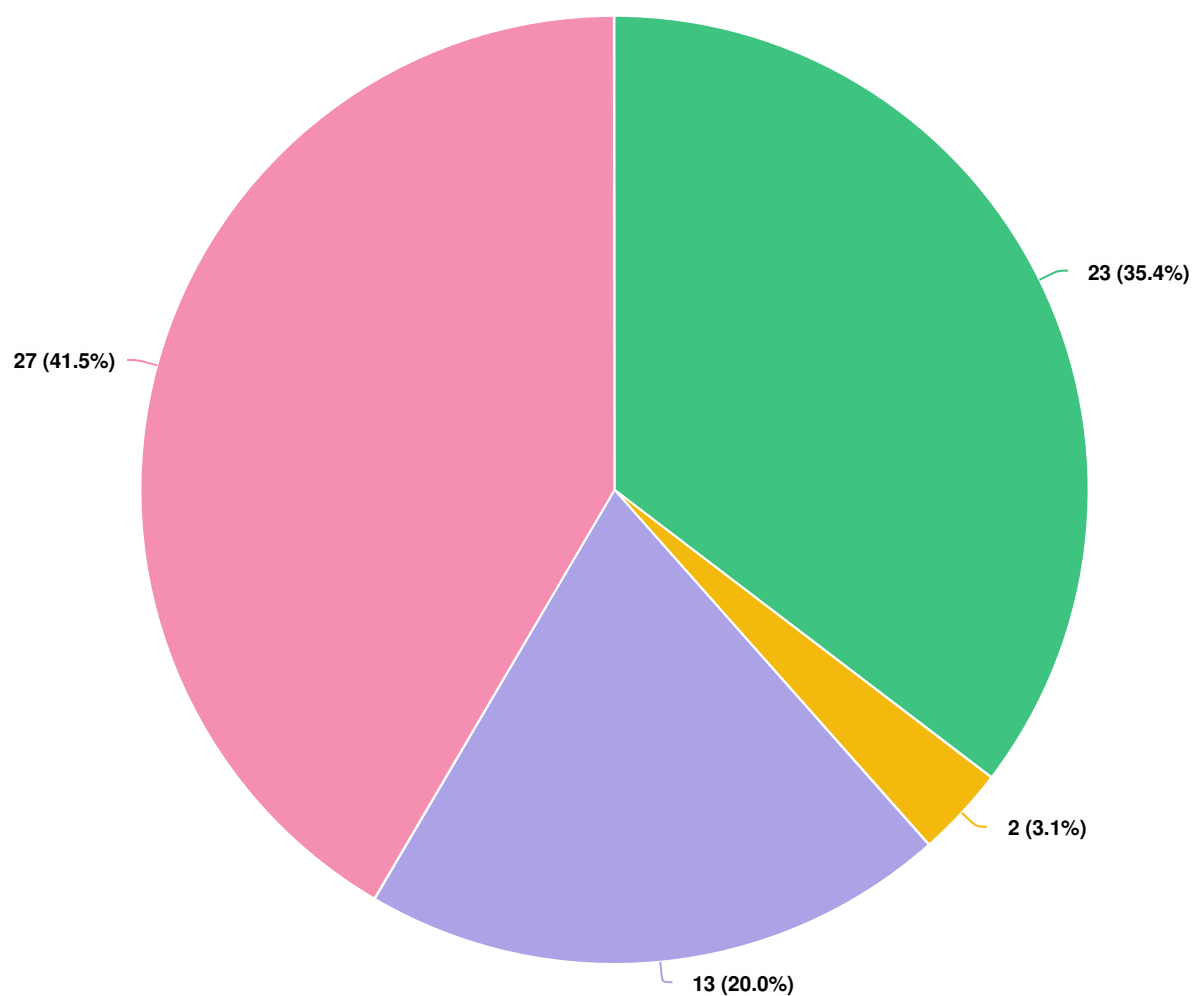
Question options

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NP15 2BJ	NP15 1TZ	NP25 3SG	Np253nu	NP25 3ED	NP151HG	Usk town centre

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Region Question

Q3 Have you ever experienced flooding at your property?



Question options

- Yes, within the past five years ● Yes, but not within the past five years ● Not that I am aware of
● No, but access to our property (such as approaching road/s) has been affected

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q4 | What are your main concerns (if any) relating to the management of flood risk in your area?

Anonymous

8/01/2025 10:43 AM

Drains are not regularly checked and cleared on Usk Road which is what resulted in our property being flooded last year. There was also no answer on the emergency council number for sandbag and no one responded at all even after leaving a message. We were left to cope on our own with no support.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 06:05 PM

Last year the stream flooded on well lane due to lack of maintenance at the top of the road. The stream has now been filled in at the top of the road so the flooding will be worse this year if we get a bad storm.

Anonymous

8/02/2025 09:33 AM

Worried as have a culvert that runs down the side of our house/garden. We moved to Wales last summer and have already found, during last autumn storms, vegetation debris building up

Anonymous

8/02/2025 03:37 PM

Getting sand bags when we need them

Anonymous

8/03/2025 06:18 PM

Permitted building of additional residential housing in gardens of existing properties, thus contributing to additional water whilst also removing open ground to absorb rain water. Also, development on fields which act as natural defences in the water they absorb.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 07:10 PM

Risk to property, preventing damage, post damage support

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

I am deeply concerned about the proposed health centre at Osbaston field. This location is CRUCIAL to the added effect of flooding of the river Monnow at the local school and Mill house area. ANY further building on scale of the proposed health centre with its tarmacing of parking areas will have a DEVASTATING effect on the SEVERITY of flooding upstream of the site. Not to mention the CATASTROPHIC effect on traffic GRIDLOCKS and DANGER to school CHILDREN that extra congestion will no doubt cause . The Health Centre is a valuable addition to Monmouth BUT it is in the WRONG location. There are plenty of other locations this could be built that would be beneficial to ALL of the residents of Monmouth . That would not cause environmental and FLOOD risks. So PLEASE Monmouth Council get on track with LOCAL concerns and ENGAGE with the SERIOUS

consequences that CLIMATE CHANGE will affect planning DECISIONS for ALL of US. I might just REMIND you that Osbaston Road FLOODED at Least THREE TIMES this year alone. When ONCE every couple of years ,in past decades, would have been NORMAL Dave Charles

Anonymous

8/04/2025 10:58 AM

River Taff

Anonymous

8/05/2025 12:37 PM

Main concern is that it seems like there is a disconnect between council departments, as the drains and ditches that get block near me are mainly to do with excess garden/nature trimmings not being properly cleaned up by grounds/maintenance.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 01:21 PM

The brook running behind 30,31 and 32 wyesham ave monmouth, it is unpiped and has caused a loss of a great deal of land to home owners, the problem has been raised numerous times with the relevant authorities, it is sourced from the rain drains and surface water, this was not taken into account when all the new houses since the 1980's have been built on land above the brook, this is not suitable and is overloaded, it needs piping.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 05:58 PM

Too much surface flooding due to paved over front gardens, poor flood warnings and poor flood management upstream.

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

Rural properties being cut off and not prioritised for attention because "there are only a few people affected".

Anonymous

8/08/2025 09:55 PM

A few impassable roads on commute to work/shops

Anonymous

8/09/2025 08:00 PM

Future floods

Anonymous

8/11/2025 11:18 AM

The monnow flash floods regularly blocking the access road to Osbaston. The concern is when the new health centre is built that this will force all the traffic up Hereford Road and then down highfield road which is not wide enough in some place for vehicles to pass each other. Cars then tend to turn down prospect road which is single track at the highfield road end. The road is not built for any volume of traffic. Osbaston road regularly floods down by the mill. I have not seen the Wye flood in town beyond filling the under pass.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

It's got progressively worse in the last year. Ever time we have even a short but heavy burst of rain- Wonastow Road has terrible surface water. The stream alongside the road rises at a rapid rate- this is only in the last 12/18 months it's very noticeable. Main concerns as a homeowner are rising costs in house insurance and decreasing value of property value and potentially difficult to sell in the future. Access issues to residents whit no back access.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

The drainage along Common Road is inadequate. During periods of heavy and extreme rainfall the drainage/gutters are overwhelmed with water running across the road carrying silt, gravel and stones. At my property the gutter overflows at the dropped kerb, water enters my property, overwhelms my own drainage and floods my garage. The most recent occurrence was July 31st 2025.

Anonymous

8/17/2025 02:19 PM

Please keep up the dredging of the Nedden regularly

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

Surface Water Run Off. During heavy rain surface water cascades down Church Road and the drain in the road adjacent to my property (4 The Orchard) cannot cope. The road is flooded and the excess water enters my front driveway. Prat reen at the back of my property overtops and the flood comes up to my back fence. You have managed the risk of flooding on the large new developments in Undy by directing the surface water onto the Gwent Levels via Prat Reen. It cannot cope. It is not wide enough, not cleared of vegetation or dredged often enough. Much of the land on the Gwent Levels becomes flooded. Homes and livestock are at risk.

Anonymous

8/26/2025 07:10 PM

The development of housing on known flood plains; and the impact such development will have on severity of flooding. Water needs somewhere to go. A good example is Burrium Close in Usk. Another still in planning stage is that for up to 400 houses at Dixon in Monmouth.

Anonymous

8/27/2025 10:12 AM

Water Lane/Rockfield Road junction

Anonymous

9/01/2025 03:48 PM

Most autumn storms come after local hedges have been cut and waste left on the roads, this is then swept down the lanes and covers the drains. We are at a junction of 3 roads meeting at the bottom of

the hill so this can be a problem coming in 3 directions and pooling in front of our house covering the junction. If roads were swept after hedge cutting this would improve.

Anonymous

9/02/2025 12:25 PM

Possible new housing development (Burrium Gate Phase 2) causing lots more run-off down towards the Oway Brook and flooding into the main part of Usk near Priory Gardens

Anonymous

9/04/2025 06:51 PM

Suitable / sufficient advance notification of potential flooding, appropriate handling by relevant bodies e.g. water board regularly fails to notify us if drinking water is safe / provide safe water etc.

Anonymous

9/04/2025 07:25 PM

Protection of Osbaston School, flood defense for monmouth nursery and surrounding area too as the river has been so high in recent years and feel like its only a matter of time before substantial damage is done

Anonymous

9/04/2025 07:31 PM

Lack of maintenance to gullies culverts and ditches

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

Severe Flooding 3 times a year annually in house at Monnow Mill, Osbaston Rd, for the past 3 years . The road has to be closed due to Osbaston rd becoming a dangerous fast flowing river.The council does not clear the mud accrued during this time ,neither in the road or pavement.Osbaston School has to be closed.When it opens after this period ,usually about 2 days later ,the children and pedestrians have to wade through high levels of toxic mud .Indeed the pavement has NEVER been cleaned.As residents we are seriously concerned that Monmouthshire Council is considering granting Planning Permission to Aneuren Bevan to build a health Centre on the brow of Osbaston rd next to Osbaston School on a meadow above Forge Rd which serves as a soak away for water coming down the hill.The plan is to install tanks to absorb flood water and then release it slowly into the river thus continuing the pressure of water into the river which floods both Monnow Mill and Houses on Forge Road filling the river with toxic polluted water from the excess traffic which will accrue from the cars ,delivery vehicles etc visiting the Health centre on a daily basis.As a result of greater flooding the many trucks and delivery vans take a detour through the Osbaston Housing estate with very narrow roads and is quite inappropriate for use as a short cut. Indeed there have already been serious incidents with trucks getting stuck on very steep roads and destroying garden fences and walls.I I feel Monmouthshire council does not take the issue of flooding and consequent structural and maintenance issues and possible

disastrous future plans for more building at Osbaston at all seriously .The degradation to the environment ,pressure on the local infrastructure . We have had absolutely no support from Monmouthshire .No acknowledgement of all the work we have done on land reclamation,environmental infrastructure building in what is a conservation area.Every time we flood I have to spend trying to contact an official to close the road so that Cars ploughing their way through the fast rising water in the belief they can get through and then breaking down.When the cars plough through they create a huge bow wave which pours into our house making the flood water rise even quicker inside . We have lived here for 18 years ,we were aware of flooding issues but in the last 5 years serious flooding has become regular and yet Monmouthshire Council seems utterly oblivious to this ,merely offering a plastic sticker in our window to say we want to be rescued, whilst considering the possibility of granting planning permission for a Health Centre at the top of Osbaston ,not to mention a further plan for a huge housing estate on Dixton rd which also floods and is part of Flood plain. WHEN is Monmouthshire Council going to accept that Monmouth is built on a Flood Plain between 2 rivers The Monnow and The Wye not to mention The Trothy !!!!!

Anonymous

9/05/2025 03:17 PM

My concerns are to do with the purpose of this survey. We all know the areas that flood, how are they to be managed??

Anonymous

9/07/2025 03:21 AM

For no trees to be cut down. Trees always seem to be victims to any land alterations and it's not fair or right . I worry about the habitat of birds animals and nature at any land alterations as well as natural wild water courses being altered and no longer natural

Anonymous

9/07/2025 10:23 AM

Flooding along Wonastow Road affecting access to properties and local small businesses.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

Regular annual flooding on Osbaston Rd.Floods.3 times a year in house.(Monnow Mill) .Failure to clear clean road of heavy mud..Failure to close road when it floods so cars plough through causing a bough wave of water into our home .Failure to recognise that all new building puts pressure on sewers,drains and underground springs which are many on Osbaston Rd.Failure to refuse to consider a new build of Health Centre on Osbaston Rd next to Osbaston School. This site is a meadow with an underground Spring which catches run off water before it flows into Osbaston Rd and the Monnow River.Both the Houses at Forge Rd below ,flood during this time as does Monnow Mill when the river breaks it's banks and Osbaston Rd is flooded.Should this planned building go ahead they

will install tanks in the Meadow to absorb the water and then slowly release the water .This is a ludicrous idea as the land becomes saturated from the flood ,takes Months to dry and Monnow Mill and Forge Road suffer very badly. In the meantime.The toxicity of these new developments in terms of run off,sewage etc and excessive toxicity from the extra traffic ,car tires (particularly Electric Cars) all pollutes the Monnow River and degrades the environment and Wildlife..This is a. Observation area and yet Monmouth Council fails to adhere to this and National Resources Wales is virtually non existent. We have spent a fortune over the last 18 years on environmental additions to preserve the land and the house and encourage and preserve wild life but we have had no support or interest from Monmouthshire Council .Monmouth is on a flood plain ,there must be no more building !

Anonymous

9/08/2025 05:27 PM

Blocked water courses. Poor planning - allowing permitted development of agricultural buildings without drainage plans. House building in flood risk areas. Land drainage officers who have no authority and only answers to flooding from poor agricultural practices is " water runs downhill". Listen to local resident knowledge, many have lived in Monmouthshire all their lives and know how flooding works in this area. Poor planning on floodplains upstream of Monmouthshire resulting in increased water flows.

Anonymous

9/09/2025 07:15 AM

Mill Reem burst its banks a few years ago and flood water engulfed our garden but thankfully not our house. With the building of many new houses at the top of Dancing Hill, where rainwater work previously have been absorbed, what steps are being taken to manage this?

Anonymous

9/09/2025 01:10 PM

Access to property

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

Culvert and drains not maintained and inadequate for volume of water

Anonymous

9/09/2025 10:07 PM

Flooding from run off experienced to road level. The culvert on Jordan Close NP25 5EB is frequently having to be cleared by myself and neighbours. The flow of water appears to have increased following the housing development on Wonastow. The frequency of having to clear the culvert has increased in the past 12 months. When it is cleared the water flows. In November 2024 it came up onto the road, only the action of local residents prevented the homes from being flooded. The junction to Watery Lane, and also part of Rockfield Road

flood and cut off access.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 08:42 AM

Increase in surface water drainage. Unauthorised development which does not mitigate against flood risks.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

That not enough is done to mitigate, eg Levelling roads properly, sandbags distributed, flood barriers. We live in St Arvans and in Nov 2024 were stranded at home near Piercefield pub, as we couldn't get down the road past Racecourse (due to massive dips/ditches in the centre of road creating flood water forde as a result of the road not being levelled)...we tried heading more towards Monmouth too, but there was an area near Devauden where the road waa also impassible due to the flooding.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 06:48 PM

Lack of culvert cleaning increases risk of surface water flooding from roads. Off road motor bikes have caused extensive damage to step tracks causing significant soil erosion and material ending up on the highway.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

Loss of space

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

1. The continuing increase of householders converting gardens into hard surface parking areas 2. The continuing failure of farmers to install marginal buffer zones along field edges/watercourses 3. the absence of specific information on how housing developments described in the RLDP will be engineered to reduce flood risk - including how to avoid increased run-off from hard surfaces and roads, and the increased load on waste water drainage/combined storm outlets

Anonymous

9/11/2025 09:59 PM

Too many new builds being built (or planning in place) in areas that naturally flood.

Anonymous

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

Maintainence to reduce risk of damage to property

Anonymous

9/12/2025 01:51 PM

water not able to enter the Usk and not having enough flood plain to back up into

Anonymous

9/15/2025 05:18 PM

1. Lack of maintenance, at one time the gutters and drains out side my property were regular swept and cleaned. It is a long time since I last saw this being done. 2. Previously when the road outside my property flooded with in a few days the sweepers and drain cleaners arrived and cleaned up. The last time it flooded Nov/Dec 2024, despite me ringing the council several times they never did clean the road. In the end about 2 weeks after the flooding my neighbour cleaned the gutters. 3. I live on the main road in Mitchel Troy nearly opposite Common Road. Apart from a short distance from the main road there are no gutters but there are drains. The problem is that at some time in the past Common Road was widened. The drains however are now approximately 30cm from the edge of the road. During heavy rain water and debris are washed down Common Road the first drain it hits is on the corner of Common Road and the main road. This immediately blocks and floods as do the drains on the main road. If the drains on Common Road were at the edge of the road this could help reduce the flooding. 4. On the Main Road there is a traffic island, when the drains are blocked and the road floods, some drivers drive on to the wrong side of the road and the traffic island. In that direction it is difficult to see oncoming traffic and could result in a collision

Anonymous

9/18/2025 04:40 PM

Public Rights of Way are highways in law and we are responsible for managing flooding and safety of the public as per any other highway. Countryside sites are also not recognised here as landowners we also have some responsibility here too. The damage and costs to our infrastructure and furniture on public rights of way and our sites is of particular concern. There are 1300+ bridges alone on the prowl network and flooding has caused considerable damage in the past few years. Resulting erosion is a particular concern on promoted routes such as Wye Valley Walk and Usk Valley walk and has an impact in terms of economic, destination and heritage to the authority, residents and visitors to Monmouthshire. Continual annual flooding on sites such as Castle Meadows, where there is in excess of 98,000 people a year, is causing a deterioration in paths which is resulting in them not being as accessible as they should be and concerns over safety. Long term it may result in sites being closed to the public if left unaddressed.

Anonymous

9/23/2025 11:56 AM

We feel it's very important that we move towards the use of nature based solutions and natural flood management to move beyond the limitations and costs of engineered solutions

Anonymous

9/23/2025 12:16 PM

Increasing occurrence and severity, and lack of long-term nature-based action rather than patching up with technocratic solutions.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 08:38 AM

Time and money wasted on surveys meetings etc instead of action .
Obtaining expensive and unnecessary permits to carry out work that needs doing urgently. There needs to be common sense shown when property and life is at risk. FRAPs and ecology reports criteria are far too rigid and hold up essential work and maintenance to help prevent flooding.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 07:36 PM

Concerns re: flooding on and around Llanellen Bridge, Castle Meadows, and surround infrastructure including the A40.
Communications to vulnerable residents when risk of flooding is imminent. Keeping roads clear to Nevill Hall Hospital and The Grange.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

here are a number of properties that are in Flood Risk 3 (High Risk) missing from the flood risk documents. In the North (Newchurch/Itton) Moun-ton Brook is an ordinary watercourse until Pwellmeryric when it is then classed as a river by NRW. The topography and shape of the upper catchment of Moun-ton Brook influences surface water runoff, whereby heavy rainfall can result in very rapid runoff and responses from watercourses. Areas of the upper catchment including Itton are at high risk of fluvial and pluvial flooding, with properties having been affected from surface water runoff and ordinary watercourses in the past. In Itton, there have been instances of the Moun-ton Brook overtopping its banks, flooding adjacent gardens and land. Due to the steep topography and flashy rural nature of the smaller tributaries, there have been instances of small culverts overtopping due to capacity exceedance and blockage throughout the catchment. This has led to localised issues along roads and a small number of properties. Pandy Mills is on the NRW's Flood Risk Assessment Wales (FRAW) map as being High Risk & yet it is not showing on the Communities at Risk Register (CaRR). I have been in contact with NRW to query their methodology as to how we are not on it based on the fact we are in a High Risk area.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

An awful lot of water funnels into the stream that runs past our house, Moun-ton Brook. In wet weather this gets very full, and has flooded our garage several times, and got very close to our house.
Alarming-ly, our little hamlet of 5 houses isn't mentioned at all in the report OR in the flood plans - I think we need to be.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 03:41 PM

We live on the Upper Moun-ton Brook range and our wood gets heavily flooded every winter, this means the houses 50 yards down sometimes get flooded out and were flooded heavily within the last

few years. I have video of our driveway in total flood as it comes down off the neighbouring hill - our driveway is higher than our neighbours house. We have spent money on trying to divert water away from their property and into Mountain Brook but that in itself makes life harder for the homes further down. I would happily to host a visit on my ground and to show you just how bad the flooding gets.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 12:07 PM

My main concerns are the plans to build on Rockfield Road and the annual flooding outside the Co op. The local plans do not appear to take account of global warming and the increase of serious storms. I'm also concerned that the drains are not cleared regularly.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 02:23 PM

The area that floods will only get worse with new housing developments. Unfortunately, nothing is put in place to resolve the issue and maintenance of drainage including culverts are poor or not fit for purpose.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:01 PM

Increased risk of flooding from rivers and sea across, and the operational impact on transport assets & operations. Increased surface water flooding and combination flooding during simultaneous or successive events is also a concern.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:11 PM

I am concerned that the regular flooding near Nevil Hall hospital will be increased should housing developments be built on the Usk flood plain at Llanwenarth

Anonymous

9/26/2025 07:03 PM

There is currently no management of the flood risk in my area. I have owned my home for 29 years and during the last 5 years we have been flooded 3 times, we have also suffered some close calls too within the last 5 years. We moved back home after a complete reinstatement of the ground floor just 5 months ago and my biggest fear is that we are likely to flood again. We are taking steps to have flood protection measures installed but feel that even with those in place we are still likely to flood.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

Poor analysis, poor action over decades on an increasing problem.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 09:06 PM

That Goldwire Lane is our main exit when the Wonastow Road floods as it did in November 2024 yet Catrin Maby wants to close it permanently for vehicle access. We have repeatedly, and around 222 people filled in your online consultation asked for it not to be closed

mainly for this very reason. Even the Town Council unanimously supported our community in wanting it open at all times because as your very document says the danger of flooding is getting worse. You even use the Wonastow Road photographically to show flooding in our area. So why are MCC contradicting themselves if not to ensure the the implementation of the Active Travel Scheme? At the cost of our safety? Surely not?

Anonymous

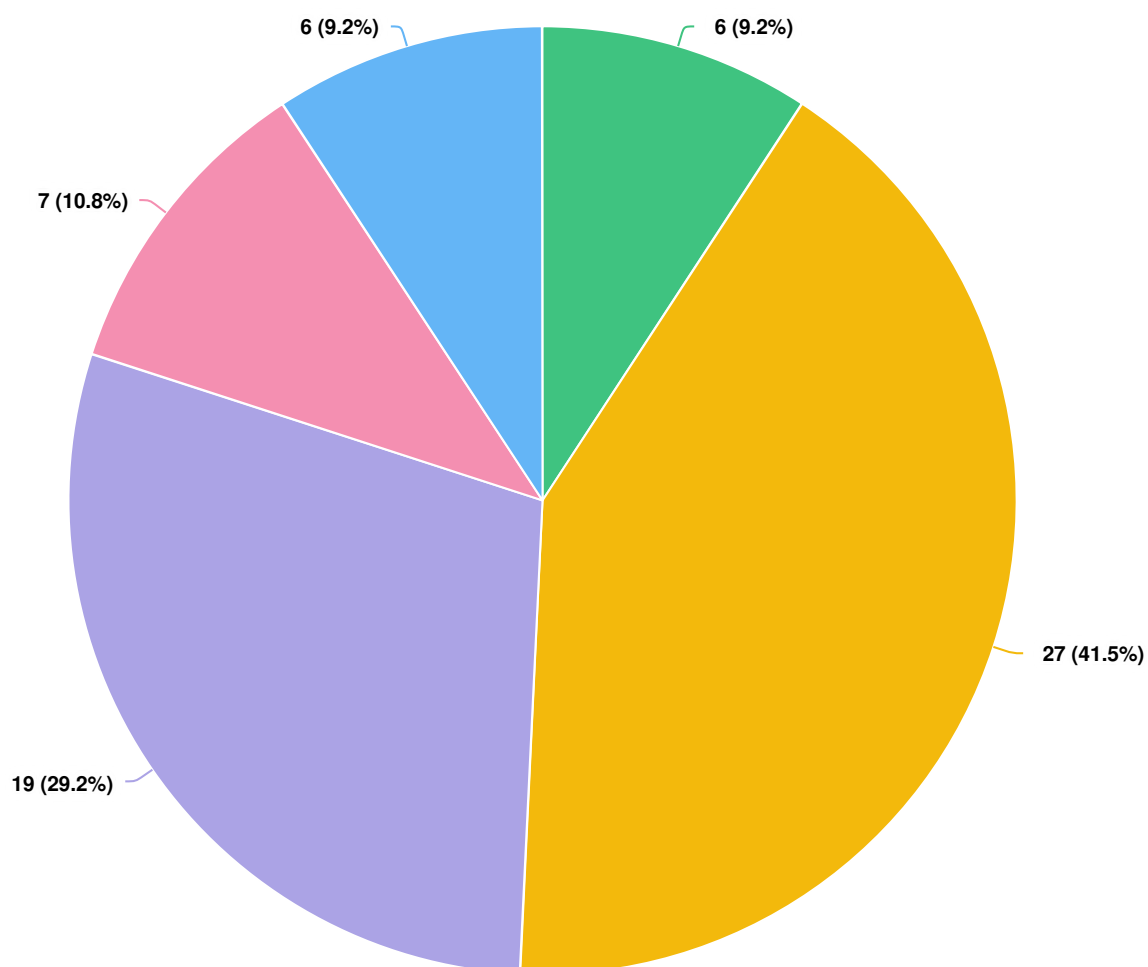
9/26/2025 11:50 PM

Blocked drains (not cleared). No council maintenance of the Angidy Brook - no removal of fallen trees and large items of debris from within the brook. Inadequate number of drains on the road for rainfall and run-off. Management of water through the valley inadequate especially with regards to the management of the lakes (owned by the angling club) higher up the valley - If during the winter months the lakes were kept relatively empty that would provide more capacity for collecting rainfall and water run-off. No sandbags stored locally or delivered by the council during times of high flood risk. No storm drain at present running under the road to divert from the road surface and direct water back into the Wye. There is an area of the Angidy Brook bank that has no known 'ownership' and is not being maintained at all. This area must be of risk of failure/ collapse and increasing the flood risk in this area. No flood defences on this road.

Optional question (61 response(s), 4 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q5 To what extent do you agree or disagree that the explanation on flood risk in Monmouthshire (in chapter 3 of the draft strategy) is clear and understandable.



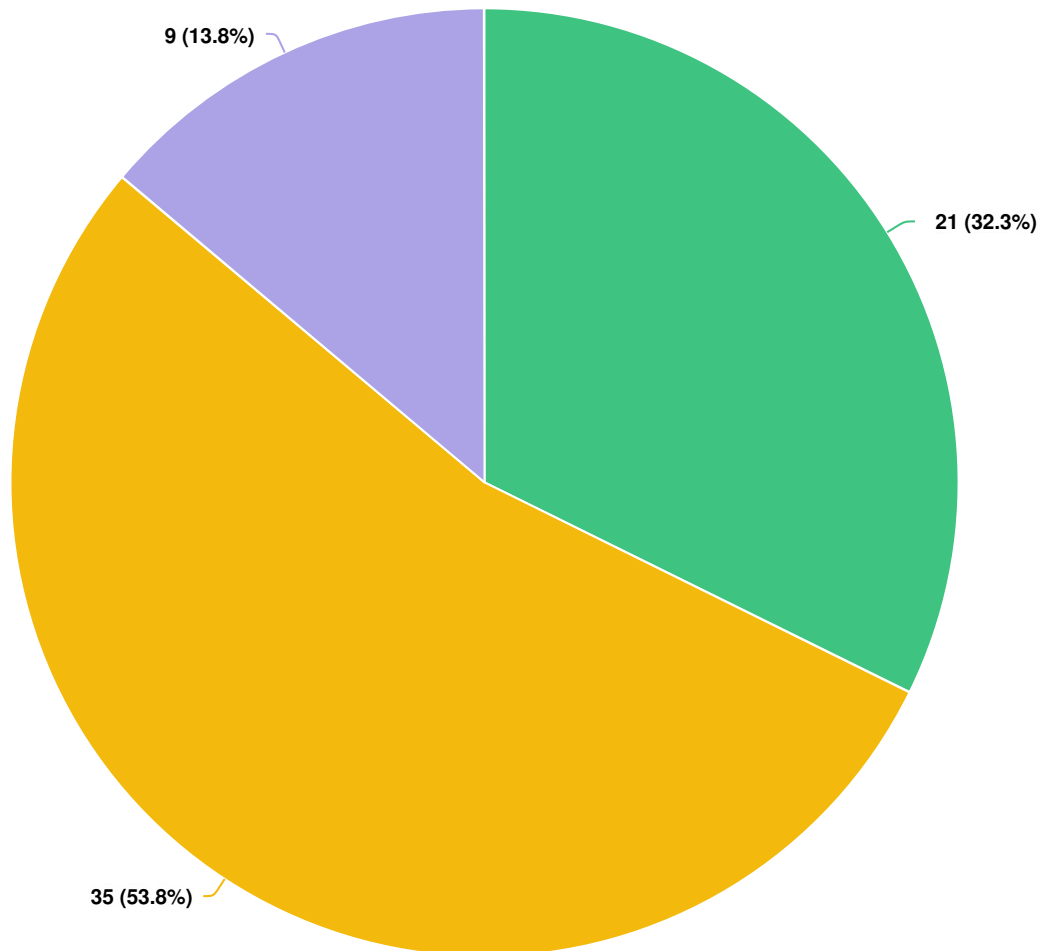
Question options

Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q6 Before you read the draft strategy, how aware were you of the different organisations responsible for managing different sources of flood risk?



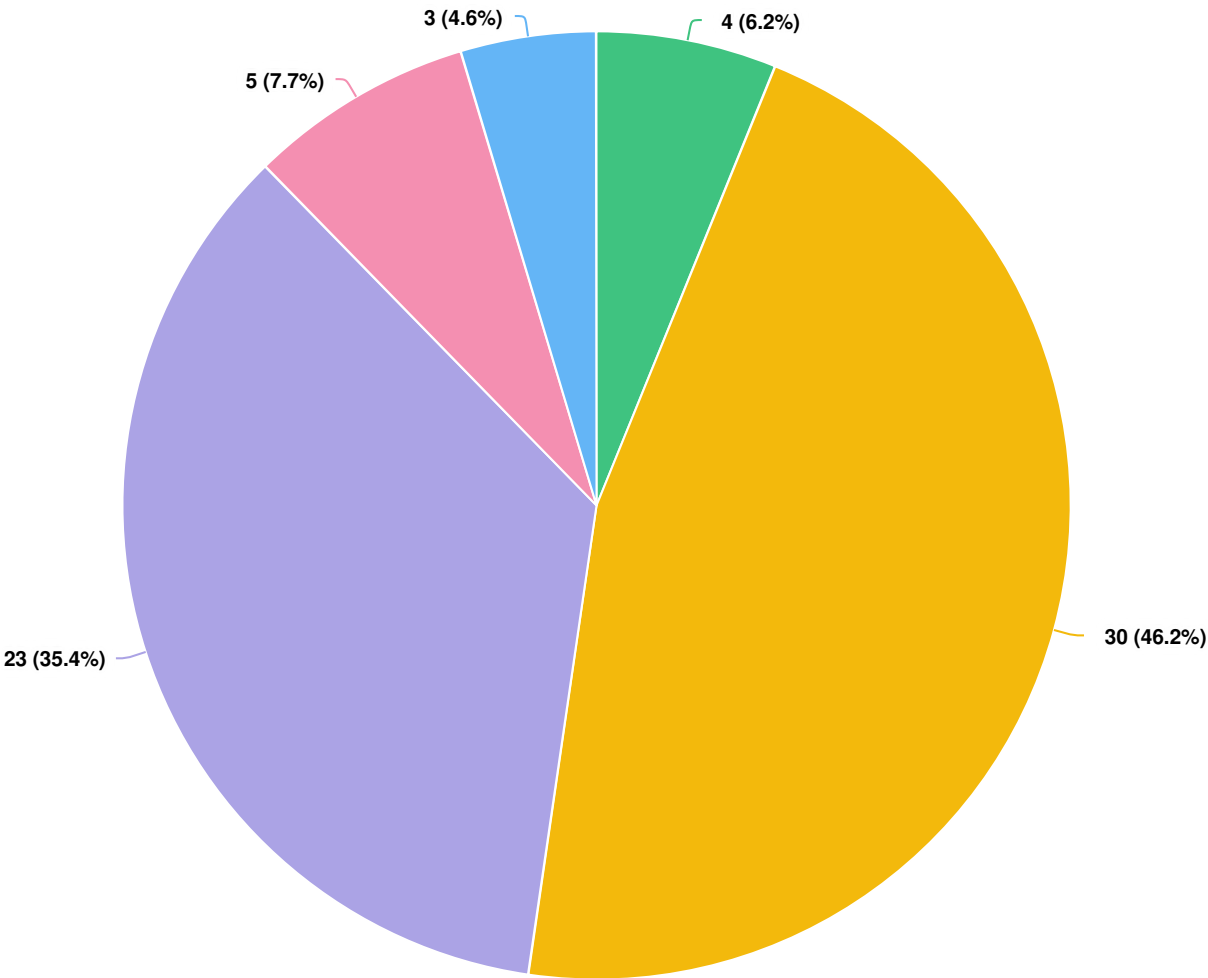
Question options

● Very aware ● Somewhat aware ● Not at all aware

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q7 | To what extent do you agree or disagree that the explanation of the roles and responsibilities of flood risk management (in chapter 5 of the draft strategy) is clear and understandable.



Question options

Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q8 | If you have any suggestions for improving the explanation of roles and responsibilities, as mentioned in the previous question, please add them here.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

If ONLY persons who deal with these issues consulted LOCAL residents BEFORE decisions were made. In my estimation Sensible outcomes would prevail . In my 40 years of residency in Monmouth LOCAL people have NO influence on FINAL decisions.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 12:37 PM

N/A

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

What actions are these bodies expected to take? What should I expect to see happening, so that I can hold the right people to account if it doesn't happen?

Anonymous

8/08/2025 09:55 PM

I am not going to read a hyperlinked strategy document

Anonymous

8/09/2025 08:00 PM

A flood information officer for insurance provision etc.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

Possibly details of work that some organisations are reasonably for undertaking

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

What are the consequences for a body that does not meet their obligations ?

Anonymous

9/02/2025 12:25 PM

Exact, spelled-out actions, not vague possibilities of action

Anonymous

9/04/2025 06:51 PM

Yes - there is no mention of what happens if our homes become compromised (fresh water / electricity / gas etc.) - or how we would even know that we might be compromised. Some homes have septic tanks which can easily be overwhelmed during flooding (as happened to us on 2024). There is no indication in the document on what we should do if there is a repeat. In 2020, no-one told us not to drink our tap water, yet 3 days into being flooded in, Welsh Water ended up delivering bottled water. Were we drinking potentially contaminated water for 3 days???

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

See my comments above on Flooding at Monnow Mill and Osbaston Rd

Anonymous

9/05/2025 03:17 PM

Please explain what you understand management to mean? IS nit simply people with boats??

Anonymous

9/07/2025 03:21 AM

The town drains I think need looked at they seem to hold the water draining into them rather then the water going down into them said assume draining would or should do

Anonymous

9/07/2025 10:23 AM

No

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

I am aware of individual depts responsibilities,however apart from the nice men who occasionally come round to clear the drains there is no evidence of support or consciousness of how our building policies is destroying the environment and exacerbating the problem

Anonymous

9/08/2025 05:27 PM

Flood risk should be controlled by one department !

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

Not sure where culverts are in the list of responsibilities

Anonymous

9/09/2025 10:07 PM

The explanations for the roles and responsibilities are understood. My concern is there are too few council staff that are stretched in the flood situations. Preventative maintenance could be improved.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 06:48 PM

No

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

Better control of the current drainage system by clearing waterways.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

This document is clearly a product of bureaucratic directions and requirements. Its absurdly lengthy, endlessly cross referenced and consists of a series of principles, rather than concrete and specific actions. Whilst I daresay it meets the demands of Welsh Government instructions, and clarifies roles for the departments of MCC and governmental bodies, it is almost meaningless to a public audience

(including me). Literally none of us cares whether section 2.3.4 is the responsibility of Department X, subdivision 2a or what strategic document paragraph 34.2.1 cross references. What we need to know, and could comment usefully on is what this all means in real life. To improve the document, try cutting its length by 90%, and describe the specific real-life measures it entails.

Anonymous

9/18/2025 04:40 PM

As per question 1 not all those who should be included within this document are. It would be helpful if sites and prow could be added or mentioned within existing roles and responsibilities.

Anonymous

9/23/2025 12:16 PM

What is the governance structure and integrity for cross county / country co-ordination - few rivers start and end in the county so this is fundamental to navigate the systemic complexity of flood risk.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 07:36 PM

Clear demarkation of the roles and responsibilities when looking at land owners and organisations with areas of responsibility along the River Usk and surrounding tributaries.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 03:41 PM

Nothing to add

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:01 PM

Use of SMART goals and time based targets/incentives for the roles and responsibilities. Specific trigger points and a more practical breakdown of organisation specific functions, roles and responsibilities would also benefit this strategy and provide more clarity.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

A single person or organisation that has CATCHMENT responsibility for flooding. This fractured distributed model of " accountability" doesn't work.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 09:06 PM

Your explanations pretracted and unyielding to their end.

Optional question (27 response(s), 38 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q9 | The Local Strategy sets out objectives for managing local flood risk. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following objectives?



Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Likert Question

objectives. Do any of our revised objectives need to be amended? Are there any additional objectives you would like to see within our revised Local Strategy?

Anonymous

8/01/2025 10:43 AM

Make sure you don't just look at the main areas and also look at the more rural areas - we pay council tax as well!

Anonymous

8/01/2025 06:05 PM

The strategy only works if it's implemented

Anonymous

8/03/2025 06:18 PM

Having a clear maintenance strategy for drainage reens and flood defences is key. Ensure that this is well documented at the sites in question with signage- this ensures that the public are aware and can hold the authority to account if the flood defence/drainage ditch falls into disrepair.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

Yes Consult Locals for their opinions . As in my experience more common sense will be obtained. Other than those who are supposedly 'experts' in their field.

Anonymous

8/04/2025 10:58 AM

Consideration of the Shoreline Management Plan

Anonymous

8/05/2025 05:58 PM

River Restauration methods need to be massively improved and also surface water flooding in residential areas by installing water gardens and discourage covering front gardens with surfaces

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

Hard to disagree with any of them.

Anonymous

8/08/2025 09:55 PM

All sound important

Anonymous

8/09/2025 08:00 PM

Residents need more info. I.e. flood re insurance.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

Yes I would like to see evidence of streams water ways and sewers being kept clear from debris and for example on Wonastow Road the stream can be full of plants and hedge trimmings all adding to a bad flow of water when levels rise quickly as on watery lane.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

Of course the most serious occurrences must be prioritised, but the basics such as clearance of drains simply never seem to happen. I believe this is a common theme in the UK where maintenance programmes have been degraded.

Anonymous

8/17/2025 02:19 PM

Please improve drainage in Castle Lea area

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

The Mill Reen SFRA needs to refer to Prat Reen and Collister Pill Reen. Prat Reen floods as it cannot cope with the huge amount of surface water run off

Anonymous

8/26/2025 07:10 PM

The strategy document uses wording such as "Risk based" and in no way sets out a committed and clear approach as to how the well know risks will be addressed. Nor does it say how the risk of development increasing flood risk is to be managed.

Anonymous

8/27/2025 10:12 AM

Section 3.3.1 - studies by the Wye and Usk Foundation support the findings of the Environment Agency that change in agricultural practice, such as winter grazing on stubble turnips increase runoff contributing to to increased risk of elevated flood level for a given rainfall event. Add into this section recognition of this effect.

Anonymous

9/01/2025 03:48 PM

Ensure that roads are kept clear of debris that is then swept into drains therefore blocking them.

Anonymous

9/04/2025 06:51 PM

As per my previous answer, there are unconsidered elements: e.g. impact on septic tanks; drinking water; other utilities (electricity, gas, internet etc.) Also post-flooding reparation measures (e.g. possible road re-surfacing, revised access etc.)

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

Yes. Your objectives are too vague.

Anonymous

9/05/2025 03:17 PM

These objectives well illustrate the usual way the County Council goes about things. They try to make out they are doing something but nothing ever happens

Anonymous

9/07/2025 03:21 AM

My main concern is not altering wild nature or historical buildings, infrastructures, sacred sites, and wildlife habitats. Of course people's

homes and lives are important but there needs to be as little infringement as possible on the other things I mentioned

Anonymous

9/07/2025 10:23 AM

Regarding raising awareness officers could engage with local teachers and schools to encourage local studies in Geography lessons and raise awareness among future generations.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

STOP BUILDING !

Anonymous

9/08/2025 05:27 PM

Planning control is the most important objective. Look after residents needs not large building company profits

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

You need a clear named department or individual contact in order to discuss local flooding and solutions

Anonymous

9/10/2025 08:42 AM

To continue to liase and work with the planning department to provide solutions to avert and manage flood risks.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

That MCC must be responsible for ensuring mitigations to possible flood risks by levelling roads properly, creating strong and well positioned flood barriers and providing applicable local businesses and residents with equipment to prevent flood damage to property (such as sandbags, etc.)

Anonymous

9/10/2025 06:48 PM

Less time spent on performative declarations and wasting money on "The Climate Emergency" and more time and money spent on dealing with the consequences.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

The effect of climate change must be taken into account.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

Add "produce a version of this strategy intelligible to the general public"

Anonymous

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

More active interaction with people and property at risk

Anonymous

No but reducing the time inbetween the revision of the objectives

9/12/2025 01:51 PM

should be discussed. Climate change is rapidly changing flood patterns and revised objectives may be needed to deal with the fluctuation flooding

Anonymous

9/19/2025 02:57 PM

6.2 Table 13 Opportunity to include reference to the delivery of Net Benefit of Biodiversity here (requirement of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016) as it is definitely missing (although mentioned in SEA) 4. Ensure flood resilience at environmentally significant and sensitive sites of national, regional and local importance are protected and delivery of Net Benefit for Biodiversity

Anonymous

9/23/2025 11:56 AM

On a small note - I think there's a typo on page 63 under MCC capital funding " Highways & Flood 0capital budget"

Anonymous

9/23/2025 12:16 PM

It would be good to hear nature-based solutions centred specifically, as land use is the huge driver and solution of flood risk.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

Empowering residents and local groups with flood models & scientific info so they can take measures to reduce their flood risk.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

Recognise the flood risk to our hamlet!

Anonymous

9/25/2025 03:41 PM

I'm not close enough to it at this stage to provide a more detailed comment

Anonymous

9/26/2025 12:07 PM

First 2 objectives should be the focus. All others are secondary.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:01 PM

Emphasis on practical adaptation planning; including proactive and educational engagement approaches to local/affected communities to increase buy in and ultimately, encourage wider adoption and implementation of resilience & adaptation measures.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

The elephant in the room is "Land Use". Yes, climate change is an issue, but land use and its changes over the past 30 years are the biggest issue in 2025-2035

Anonymous

You need to rethink how you deliver this to the public if you care what

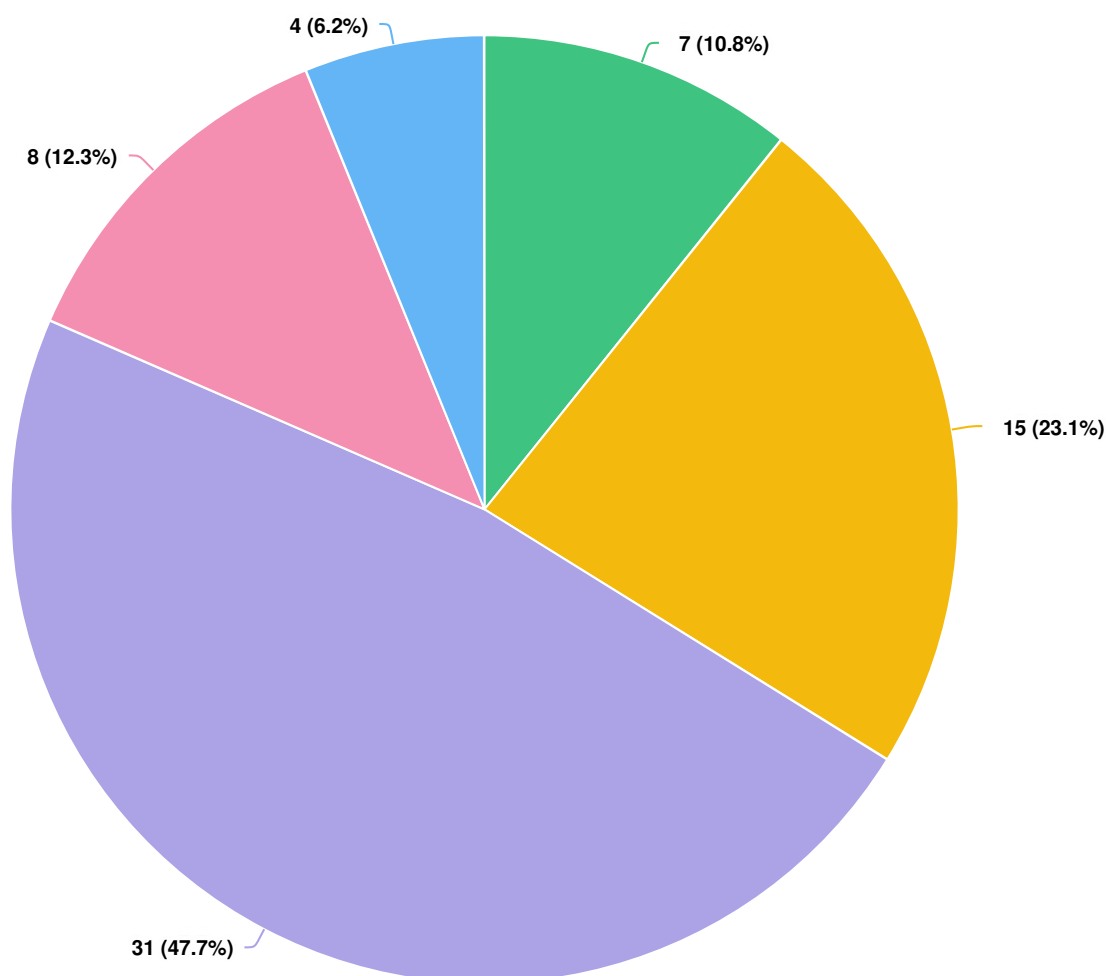
9/26/2025 09:06 PM

they think and you should because this is tax payers money. Most people had no idea this consultation was out.

Optional question (41 response(s), 24 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q11 Measures: Do you agree that the proposed measures are suitable to enable the delivery of each objective in the strategy (see chapter 7 in the strategy).



Question options

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree nor disagree Agree Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q12 Measures: If you would like to add any further comments please do so here.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

AGAIN Consult LOCALS

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

I can only speak from my very local perspective. My home is on the edge of the "Nedern Brook" area, close to the "Mill Reen" area. Our access road has been subject to regular flooding for many years, and our neighbours' properties have had water to their doorsteps. Nearby properties on the St Brides Road have been cut off entirely and had several feet of water running past their gates. Yes in the narrative of the plan, none of these properties or issues are identified as being of interest or needing attention. The focus seems solely to be on the more built-up areas of Magor, Undy and Caldicot. Those of us living in outlying areas pay our rates at the same level as others, and deserve equal attention. Very disappointing.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

There are no Measures that suggest any plan on how to divert water flow or have a way in which water can be transferred. Flood storage is a possible option not mentioned. The flood gates at the over Monnow are not explained or it's not understood when and what the requirements are for them to be opened

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

Emphasis on maintenance is required

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

Measure 1 states a benefit of 'Ensures new development does not increase local flood risk elsewhere' Measure 3: Reduced number of people at risk of flooding by ensuring SuDS on new developments mimic the natural drainage regime and manage surface water at source and at the surface and prevent natural runoff rates being exceeded. yet 3.3.1 states 'For a number of environmentally significant sites, occasional flooding is unlikely to have a significant impact (e.g. county parks) or may even form part of natural processes in the area which enhance the natural environment and part of the reason for a site's designation (e.g. SSSI's). Monmouthshire County Council will continue to consider how these areas can support and potentially reduce the impact of flooding from surface water and small watercourses. Contradictory. Surface water from the large new developments in Undy have their surface water directed onto the Gwent Levels SSSI, particularly via Prat reen which cannot cope in heavy rain. A huge area floods. The reens need to be widened, vegetation cut and dredged more regularly. SUDS for new

developments are inadequate. They do not meet your objectives of dealing with surface water at source.

Anonymous

8/26/2025 07:10 PM

There should be a clear statement as to intent and action proposed to ameliorate risk. It is well know that drainage in critical areas is inadequate; how will MCC ensure that Welsh Water upgrade to ensure adequate drainage?

Anonymous

8/27/2025 10:12 AM

Measure 8 strongly support, increase understanding of risk among councillors and the public. We can reduce the risk of an event from a 1in 5 year event to a 1 in 10 year event, but unlikely to prevent a 1 in 100 year event using NFM, or any other measure. Measure 15 link to Measure 8, efforts under measure 8 should reduce need for interventions in measure 15

Anonymous

9/02/2025 12:25 PM

Just as with the "Consultaion" on the revised RLDP, there is too much reading to make any useful contribution.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 03:21 AM

Do not cut trees or alter wild flowing waterways

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

We have had no response to our email detailing flood at our property which was clearly the result of an inadequate poorly maintained culvert

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

see answer to Q. 10 above.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

Keeping drainage system fully functional.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

There are no measures in in the document. Everything in it describes a "principle" or a process. The Appendix A would appear to come closest to describing concrete "measures" - but this isnt included in the circulated draft! (although looking at it after locating it by doing a separate search suggests all of measures in it are mainly preliminaries - doing assessments and investigations. As necessary as they are, they dont constitute actions that a lay person can usefully comment upon)

Anonymous

Maintainence

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

Anonymous

9/12/2025 01:51 PM

You should considr the potential for volumteers to assit with the maintneace of drainage. Drains become quickly blocked when hedge cutting starts and leaves fall. This dose of course have H & S issues. But thinks like monitoring culverts from a safe distnace and taking photos could allow MCC resorces to be assigned to the places they are most needed.

Anonymous

9/19/2025 02:57 PM

Measure 8 Natural Flood Management is the process whereby natural processes and nature based solutions are utilised to reduce the risk of flooding. These processes protect, restore and mimic the natural drainage regime and are designed to store, slow and infiltrate water to reduce flood risk. Such Green Infrastructure also provide wider benefits such as improved water quality, amenity & biodiversity enhancements and carbon capture. NFM measures can include: Suggest adding healthy soils and grassland restoration should be included here due to the increased water storage capacities of sustainably managed grasslands and regenerative farming methods. Benefits incl. multiple/wider benefits could include reference to the GI Strat and LNRAP as Measure 9 does. Measure 10 Partnership working - could this include reference to wider partnership working which can offer opportunities for funding and for adding value through community engagement, green skills training and wellbeing benefits? I'm specifically thinking of Gwent Green Grid, Living levels, Wye Valley National Landscape

Anonymous

9/23/2025 11:56 AM

Very pleased to see partnership working and NFM there. In an ideal world we would like to see something along the lines of working with partnership organisations to develop new and innovative solutions e.g catchment markets

Anonymous

9/24/2025 07:36 PM

Commencement date for Usk 5, 6, 7, 14 and 15 as per Appendix A action plan.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

Measures need to be catchment wide

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

The drains in Myndd Bach and Shirenewton regularly get blocks leading to the roads turning into waterways. They need to be cleaned regularly. This leads to huge amounts of water on the B4235 between Carpenters Arms & Itton Court Rd. This could be remedied by encouraging land owners to install swales on their land to slow the

flow. Surface water run off from Parc Maes Fyyon and the farm above it lead to localised flooding on Itton Court rd & the entrance to White Mill. This massive amount of runoff puts huge pressure on Mouton Brook near the Old saw mill leading to the road flooding at this bridge culvert. There have also been a few instances of the road flooding further down at Pandy Mills at their private road bridge culvert. In November 2024 this event lead to Mouton Brook overtopping the culvert at Coppice Mawr/ B4235 and totally flooding the road making it impassable. I would like the plan to identify and review options to reduce known flood risk from local sources. E.g. Assess culvert capacity and consider culvert replacement/improvements options at Coppice Mawr/ B4235.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 03:41 PM

I don't believe our area in the upper Mountain Brook are currently covered, but they certainly need to be

Anonymous

9/26/2025 12:07 PM

Link flood risk management and flood management more directly with new/ additional planning applications- extant and future.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

Catchment factors are not discussed. BBNP and POWYS are not mentioned. Climate change, though very real, is not the real issue in the short term. That needs to be addressed, of course.

Anonymous

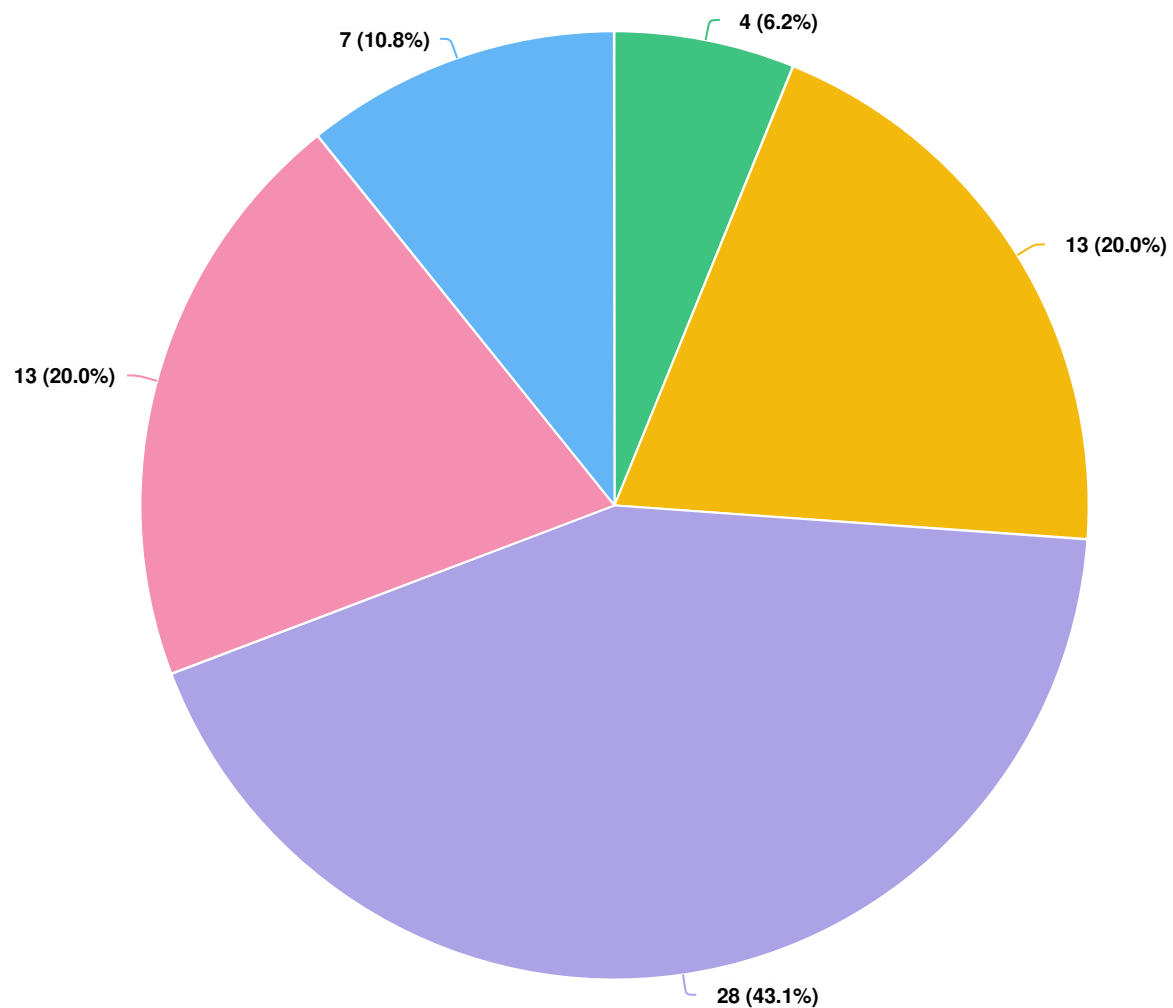
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Needs summerising

Optional question (24 response(s), 41 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q13 | Flood Action Plan: Do you agree that the proposed Flood Action Plan (see chapter 8, appendix A, in the strategy) is able to deliver on each of the objectives



Question options

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree nor disagree Agree Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q14 | Flood Action Plan: If you would like to add any further comments please do so here.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 06:18 PM

Developments should not be permitted in areas where flooding has occurred from surface run off or saturation. MCC should not permit development on land that is clearly beneficial in preventing flooding based on the level of water it holds.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

Action plans are usually wrong .So Again consult LOCALS who are directly affected

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

See comment under "12: Measures" above.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

Better understanding is not going to prevent flooding. Action is needed and preventative measures

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

Mill Reen SFRA needs to include Prat Reen. The flooding here covers a wide area of the levels putting properties and livestock at risk. The amount of surface water run off from the Vinegar Hill and Rockfield Farm estates into the reen is unacceptable. It is only going to get worse as the developments aren't finished yet.

Anonymous

8/27/2025 10:12 AM

Several NFM projects are under way, for example in the Kingswood area and along the Trothy, however there is no mention of ongoing monitoring of their effectiveness

Anonymous

9/02/2025 12:25 PM

Appendix A is not available

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

I have already commented on the appalling infrastructure support and contemplation of further building planning in flood risk areas in Monmouth .I think this report re Monmouth is merely paying lip service to the problem. Monmouth has allowed building planning over the years in flood areas.REPEAT Monmouth is on a FLOOD PLAIN !!!

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

STOP BUILDING !

Anonymous

9/09/2025 10:07 PM

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

See answer to Q. 10 above

Anonymous

9/10/2025 06:48 PM

Lots of expensive documents and consultants/consultations and so little spent on practical implementation of common sense flood management all in the name of protecting the environment from human interventions.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

Nothing more

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

The Flood Action Plan is not included in the linked Strategy document. However, after finding it elsewhere, my comments are as above (Q 12)

Anonymous

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

More alerts for those at risk when water levels are rising

Anonymous

9/24/2025 07:36 PM

Can't comment as not commenced at this time. We are concerned that the basic actions for Abergavenny have not yet started. Can the Town Council be utilised to assist in facilitating any meetings to gather relevant information from the communities affected.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

MOUNTON 4 - Flood Risk Assessment Undertake a catchment wide assessment of flood risk to identify properties, businesses and infrastructure at greatest risk of flooding from local sources and identify mitigation options. MOUNTON 5 - ITTON/ PANDY MILLS - Identify and review options to reduce known flood risk from local sources. Assess culvert capacity and consider culvert replacement/improvements options at Coppice Mawr/ B4235. MOUNTON 6 - Natural Flood Management Develop and implement previously identified Natural Flood Management options across the Mounon Brook catchments from its sources at Newchurch and discuss with land owners. MOUNTON 7 - Work with NRW/ Woodland Trust/ Wildlife Trust to identify SUDs opportunities to minimise impact of forestry operations on surface water run off.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 12:20 AM

Surface water / ordinary watercourse flood risk of mounon brook to properties between mynd Bach and coppice mawr not identified or addressed

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

I couldn't find appendix A at all? And I'm not sure the chapter numbers linked in this survey are correct...

Anonymous

9/26/2025 12:07 PM

No measures will be sufficient unless flood risk and management are directly linked with new build planning proposals and applications.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

The plan, in its current form, lacks many of the key drivers. It is short-sighted and poorly researched.

Anonymous

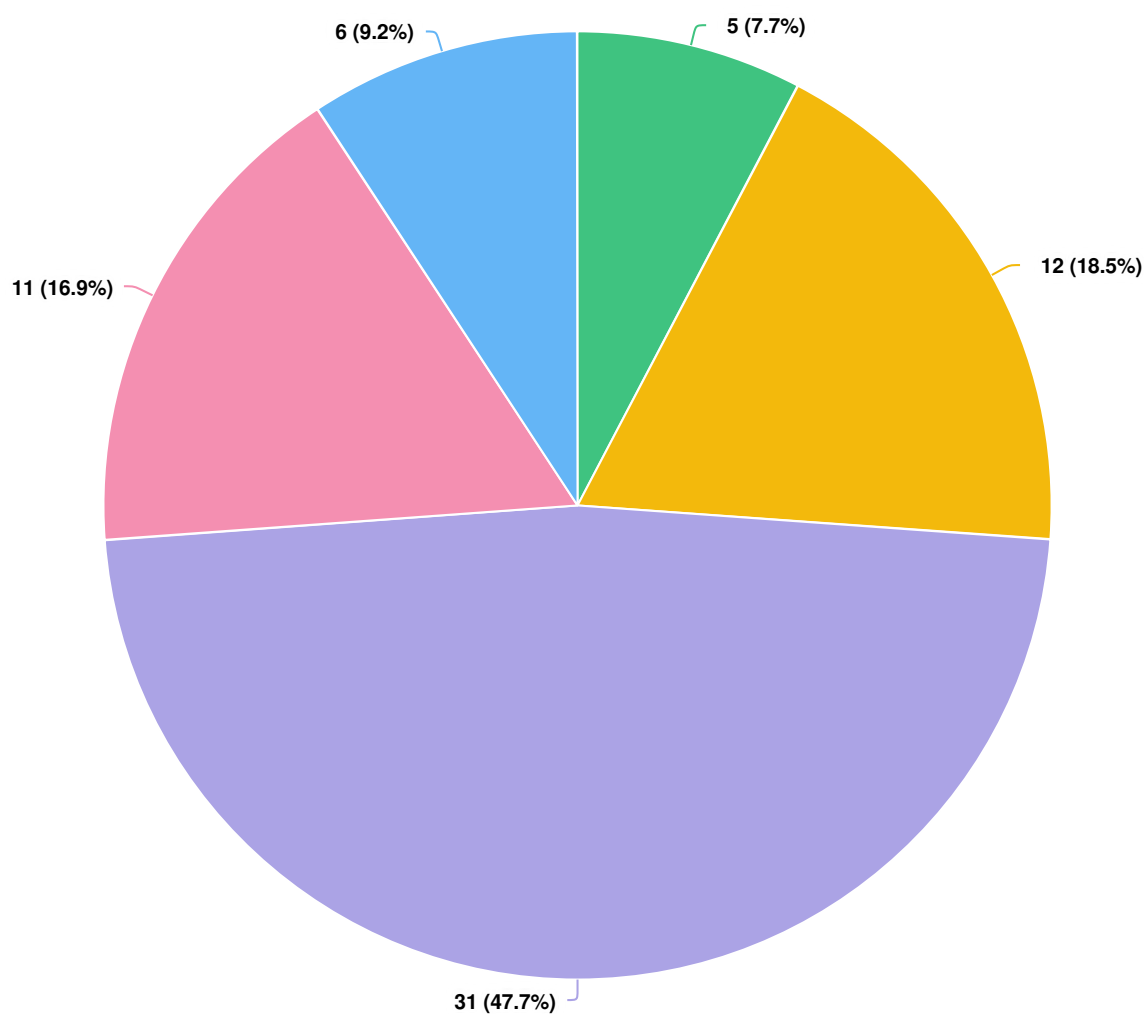
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Needs summerising

Optional question (21 response(s), 44 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q15 | Do you consider the that the Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitat Regulations Assessment environmental have adequately considered the impacts of the proposals set out in the Local Strategy? (see chapter 10 in the strategy)



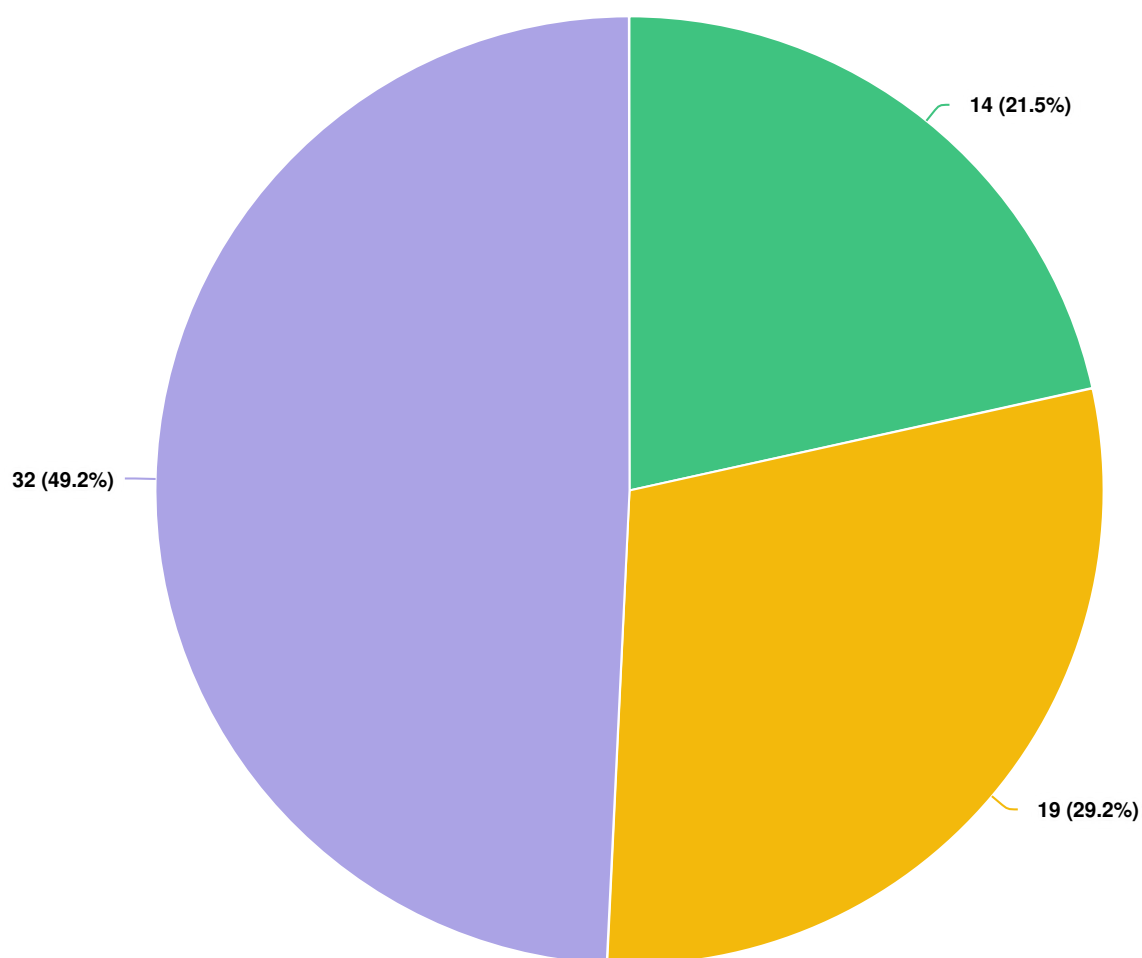
Question options

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree nor disagree Agree Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q16 | Funding: Do you consider the Local Strategy to have adequately set out how the proposed flood risk management activities will be funded and prioritised? See chapter 9 in the strategy for information.



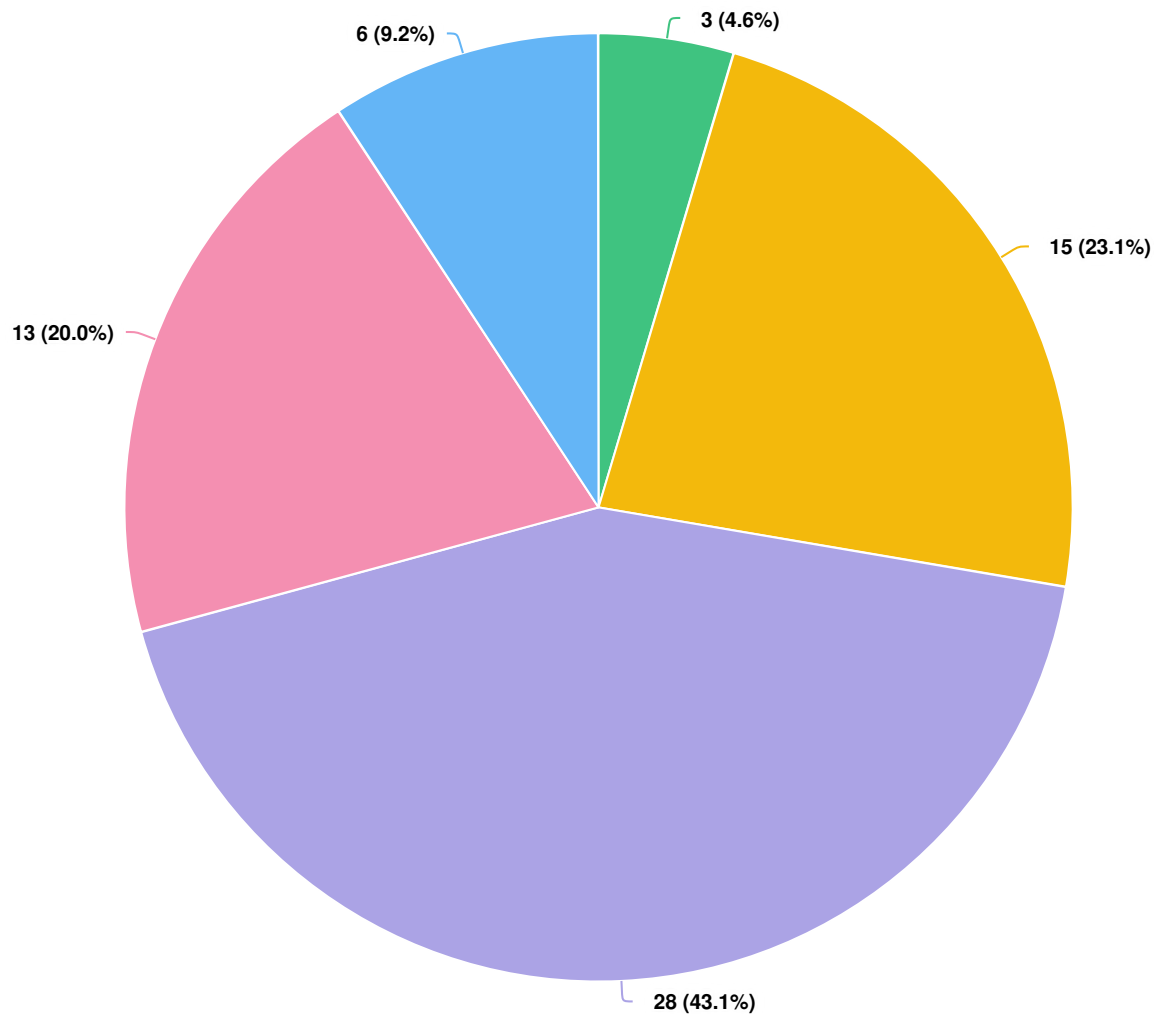
Question options

Unsure No Yes

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q17 | Climate Change: Do you agree or disagree that our Local Strategy addresses the potential impacts of climate change and consider future flood risk scenarios?See chapter 4.



Question options

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree nor disagree Agree Strongly agree

Mandatory Question (65 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

Q18 | Climate Change: Please tell us how you feel the Local Strategy could better address the potential impacts of climate change and consider future flood risk scenarios.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

By taking notice of the PLAIN FACTS and putting into place sensible strategies to combat the outcome. Instead of ignoring it and hoping for the best, as is the Norm.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 01:21 PM

Do all the small jobs to save doing more expensive jobs at a later date, "a stitch in time saves nine "

Anonymous

8/09/2025 08:00 PM

Funded officers

Anonymous

8/12/2025 01:23 AM

Be realistic and just plan for how bad it will be in 5-10 years as it will only ever get worse

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

Better to focus on actual evidence for short and medium term action than on unknown future conditions.

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

Stop building in areas that direct surface water to cause flooding elsewhere. Work more closely with NRW and give them the worst case scenarios for surface water run off so they can manage the reens better.

Anonymous

8/26/2025 07:10 PM

By recognising that unprecedented periods of heavy rain will occur more frequently and by being more definitive on the measure which will actually be undertaken, not simply given consideration, will be implemented, by when, how it will be funded, and who is to be accountable.

Anonymous

9/01/2025 03:48 PM

I don't think you or anybody else can. Until the whole world takes notice we will all just be running around clearing up the mess as it hits us.

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

Stop Building .! Better public Transport Better emergency street. Cleaning. Quicker emergency road closures . An emergency dedicated phone line.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 03:21 AM

Climate change is ahead thinking but immediate thinking is how any action or alterations to wild nature affect the ecosystem right turn and there.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 10:23 AM

We need to collate data so areas of regular flooding in Monmouth and other areas can be investigated to explore mitigation measures before the next event heavy rain event. Also what can other councils and NRW do to slow the progress of water flow from land and rivers entering Monmouthshire.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

STOP BUILDING STOP USING CONCRETE.,USE HEMP

Anonymous

9/08/2025 05:27 PM

Better agricultural control.

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

Listen to local feedback and action accordingly

Anonymous

9/09/2025 10:07 PM

NRW need to have a suitable budget and strategy to allow the water courses to be monitored and maintained. Work collaboratively with MCC

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

see answer to Q. 10 above.

Anonymous

9/11/2025 10:00 AM

Continued monitoring ia essential

Anonymous

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

As indicated in previous answers, I dont believe this document is in a form that enables useful comments

Anonymous

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

More communication between all the various bodies and 'no passing the buck'

Anonymous

9/19/2025 02:57 PM

Use of Green Infrastructure for Climate Change mitigation and adaption.

Anonymous

9/23/2025 11:56 AM

I feel that there could be more weighting or detail on the nature based solutions element as this may be the area which will pick up the

mitigation for the more dramatic weather conditions that we are now seeing.

Anonymous

9/23/2025 12:16 PM

Previous flood events in the local neighbourhood have lacked sufficient data collection around the water dynamics - flood peak, river flow - to draw conclusions to model and chart changes in intensity of flood events. It has been a resident whose been flooded who provided an outline of this information to the flood report process, through monitoring on their property.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 07:36 PM

Want to see better preparation of resources to deal with flooding. To work with local community groups such as Friends of Castle Meadows to reinstate reens to help drain flood waters away quickly.

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

Need to explain better how climate change is taken into account.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

Having lived in our house for 10 years, we've noticed that flood events are becoming more frequent and more severe. This is likely to get worse in future.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 03:41 PM

Please include us, happy to meet and discuss why in person, it gets really bad here but moreso for my neighbours in Pandy Mill, Itton

Anonymous

9/26/2025 12:07 PM

The amended long term development plan for Monmouth already does not adequately consider the actual impact of more frequent storms and heavy rainfall.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 02:23 PM

New flood defences are needed. Using existing infrastructure is not working now so things will only get worse.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:01 PM

The use of an AEP is a useful indicator for future flood risk, although more emphasis should be placed on the use of MET Office climate projections (UKCP18) for a range of emissions and warming scenarios. This would help to develop a more comprehensive understanding of future risk in short (next 5-10 years), medium (10-30 years) and long terms (40-60 years time). Long term planning should extend to 2080+. This goes for flooding from rivers and sea, surface water, and combination flooding. Including the role of catchment partnerships to co-ordinate management of flood risk from a range of receptors.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

Building now, verified models of the future for individual catchments is a must. No one is doing this. Everything that is happening if forecastable and measurable. Model it!

Anonymous

9/26/2025 09:06 PM

Don't make decisions that impede peoples day to day living when people have to go work to earn a crust. If we don't earn a living then we can not pay our council tax and that will put pay to any fancy policies that cost a fortune to draw up. Common sense in all things should prevail.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 11:50 PM

Install flood prevention strategies that are adequate long-term taking into account projections for the potential impact of limate change.

Optional question (32 response(s), 33 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q19 | Additional comments: Bearing in mind the scope of the Local Strategy, are there any other comments you would like to make on the draft Local Strategy? If yes, please add them here. Thank you.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:43 PM

I think I have said it ALL . PLEASE LISTEN

Anonymous

8/05/2025 01:21 PM

I object to the building of new houses being built without the lower surface run off and rain drains not being adequately maintained

Anonymous

8/08/2025 04:49 PM

See comments under "12: Measures" above.

Anonymous

8/12/2025 08:53 PM

Residents' homes at risk of flooding must always be the #1 priority (and I don't include my 'garage problem' in that cohort). I would like to see that explicitly stated / emphasised in the document.

Anonymous

8/25/2025 02:30 PM

Prat reen, Prat reen, Prat reen.....get it sorted.

Anonymous

8/27/2025 10:12 AM

An overall allocation of capital between different measures, e.g. NFM compared to Physical interventions would be useful together with the

justification for this allocation

Anonymous

9/02/2025 12:25 PM

Get on and do something - and do not spend any more years talking about it

Anonymous

9/04/2025 06:51 PM

Can we set up some kind of local shop network where deliveries of essential items can be facilitated when we get flooded in? e.g. can Lidl or Waitrose have an 'essential items' list that we can use and then can we have those items delivered?

Anonymous

9/05/2025 02:00 PM

Regarding Monmouth I think the recommendations are superficial . I am concerned this is more of a PR Exercise than a serious consideration of the implications of long term environmental change and destruction .

Anonymous

9/07/2025 10:23 AM

Encourage residents to use the App or for those without the interne to report at local Hwbs with support from staff to make reports and ensure they receive feedback on their reports.

Anonymous

9/07/2025 01:22 PM

This form is long and complicated and submitting is a technical problem as it won't submit !!

Anonymous

9/09/2025 04:59 PM

Lots of words but not enough action or clear decision making in order to address issues raised. By local people

Anonymous

9/09/2025 10:07 PM

During the last flood risk sand bags were brought round by the council workers, but we were advised that only two per household was allowed. While I appreciate budget restrictions, the preventative maintenance would have removed the need for sandbags. The proposed planning for houses adjacent to Watery Lane will further impact the run off water course in this area. Planning consideration need to consider the impact on existing developments.

Anonymous

9/10/2025 11:31 AM

Monmouthshire (MCC) really needs to make sure that ALL roads in the area will be passable (especially to Emergency vehicles) in the event of severe or storm weather, for the benefit of businesses and residents alike.

Anonymous

Its virtually unreadable. Hence my reluctance to express any opinion

9/11/2025 11:48 AM

beyond "neither agree nor disagree) in the drop-downs

Anonymous

9/12/2025 08:54 AM

Maintenance of storm drains which are not kept clear on highways
Maintenance of ditches Assessment of land affected by groundwater
buildup and solution to ease problems More ditches and French
drains to take excess water away

Anonymous

9/12/2025 01:51 PM

see volunteer comment above. Warning signs in the area I live could
be unlocked by a local representative rather than getting someone to
come out and put up signs and bollards when roads are flooded

Anonymous

9/18/2025 04:40 PM

Monmouthshire's Countryside Access Improvement Plan is a
statutory document which contains statements of action to target
surface maintenance programs and natural flood management and
assist with flooding. It should be included within the plan. Recent
flooding, storms and increase in surface water run off from
increasingly heavy rainfall are continually increasing our backlog of
works and resulting in loss of access to the public. Increasingly
landowners are looking to us to pay for repairs to highways from
water damage. There is insufficient funds to manage flooding events
and insufficient legal processes in place to manage situations where
there is opportunity to look to do so. For example managed retreat is
not possible for now. This is an issue which has been raised with
WG. When there has been significant floods, funds from Welsh
government have not materialised to pay for damages. We would
welcome talking to you to see how we can be recognised within this
plan to safeguard assets, protect the public and ensure we are part of
any solutions. Thank you.

Anonymous

9/19/2025 02:57 PM

2.1 Table 1 suggest adding text MCC's Climate & Nature Emergency
Strategy (2024): In 2019 Monmouthshire County Council declared a
climate emergency which includes actions for the Council to reduce
our contribution to climate change. The Environment (Wales Act)
Biodiversity & Ecosystem Resilience forward Plan, Green
Infrastructure Strategy and Local Nature Recovery Action Plan are
adopted delivery mechanisms. In addition, MCC has declared a
Motion for the Rivers and Ocean which includes an Action Plan
focusing on environmental protection and enhancement, improving
water quality and reducing flood risk. 3.2 Environmental datasets
Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (not interest) Table 5, 6,
7 & 8 Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (not interest) Refs
to Environment Act should include (Wales) to differentiate between
this and Environment Act for UK government (covering environmental
matters in England). Overall the use of the term Green Infrastructure

should be extended particularly in reference to Nature Based Solutions and NFM as this is an adopted approach at MCC. It is useful and strengthening to use consistent terminology. In addition to the reference to the GI Strategy, which is welcomed, the adopted GI SPG should also be referenced as a mechanism to help secure Place Making including nature based solutions and suds at planning. Glossary Green Infrastructure is very narrow - Monmouthshire Strategy definition is as follows: In Monmouthshire, Green Infrastructure (GI) refers to the network of natural and managed green and blue spaces, including trees, woodlands, parks, rivers, ponds, and sustainable drainage systems, that provide multiple environmental, social, and economic benefits. It is a strategic approach to planning and managing these assets to create well-connected habitats for wildlife, improve the quality of life for residents, mitigate climate impacts, and support the local economy and landscape character.

Anonymous

9/23/2025 12:16 PM

Please lean into partnership potential, particularly around the wider implications for land use and nature based solutions, which extend beyond simply flood risk. There is really good local work towards long-term changes that will mitigate flood risk as well as benefit people and nature more widely – especially around new markets for agriculture and green finance. These are proving the value of this approach within catchments in the county. Just one example is <https://wyeuskfoundation.org/our-work/nature-based-solutions/resilient-rivers/>

Anonymous

9/24/2025 09:23 PM

The drains in Myndd Bach and Shirenewton regularly get blocks leading to the roads turning into waterways. This leads to huge amounts of water on the B4235 between Carpenters Arms & Itton Court Rd. This could easily be remedied by encouraging land owners to install swales on their land to slow the flow. The brook that runs on the Wildlife Trust land regularly overtops leading to the brook running down the road also. Surface water run off from Parc Maes Ffyon and the farm above it lead to localised flooding on Itton Court rd & the entrance to White Mill. This massive amount of runoff puts huge pressure on Mouton Brook near the Old saw mill leading to the road flooding at this bridge culvert. There have also been a few instances of the road flooding further down at Pandy Mills at their private road bridge culvert. In November 2024 this event lead to Mouton Brook overtopping the culvert at Coppice Mawr/ B4235 and totally flooding the road making it impassable. Mouton Brook catchment flood model that is available to communities to allow them to use it to plan on how they can reduce their flood risk by working together with neighbours, residents associations & local and owners. Advise on flood model water height and probability. Keep a record of county wide flood

mitigation measures and help land owners maintain them. Across the upper Mouton Brook catchment work with the local communities, land owners and resident associations to identify how natural flood management could help communities across the Mouton Brook catchment to slow the flow and help alleviate flooding. Work with NRW to put SUDs onto forestry areas in the area that have been clearfelled and not replanted in the last 10 years. Look at the upper catchment and identify the mill ponds, wet woodlands, french drains, swales, culverts, bridge storm pipes, dykes etc that are now so important to slow the flow across the catchment. So much of this historic information from the industrial age of the area is being lost and only observable on old OS maps. Ensure land owners understand their riparian responsibility to maintain banks (when gabion baskets break they need replacing, when trees fall in they need removing & remove obstacles that block the flow of the water (trees/ boulders/ fence panels) & pose as potential obstructions when left in the flood area of the brook. Pandy Mills could offer to house a monitoring station for relatively little expense as it has very good access & infrastructure to the Mouton Brook. This could work with LoraWAN initiatives in Monmouth and Abergavenny to provide low cost monitoring along the whole of Mouton Brook. Identify, map and risk assess what is currently in place but also look into old OS maps to understand the industrial landscape and what has been removed (sluices, mill ponds) so the function that these important structures and find alternatives if direct replacement isn't possible. Land drainage inspection and improvements to ensure that the current business as usual plan is actually fit for purpose particularly around storm drains & encouraging land owners to install dykes/ swales to slow the flow to the main watercourses. Work transparently and openly with other government agencies particularly where there are communities living next to NRW forestry. Work with highways to divert/ slow run off water on land owners land so that highways don't become rivers ie. from Shirenewton encourage more swales information into land practices. Look at Lidar surface water run off and target the land owners for natural flood management plans/ funding. Pandy Mills residents association can help with this. As a community we need MCC to help us to be prepared in the short and long term. Help us set up a local flood action group. Develop a site specific flood risk map/ model and strategy. For the whole of Mouton brook. Ensure that the planned developments above communities in the catchments has sufficient SUDS in place to help communities down stream not just now but for the next 100 years.

Anonymous

9/25/2025 10:42 AM

I'd like you to work with NRW/ Woodland Trust/ Wildlife Trust to identify SUDs opportunities to minimise impact of forestry operations on surface water run off. Loss of tree cover across the B4235 greatly increased the volume of water draining into our brook, for example.

Thank you.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 06:01 PM

As above in 18., longer term planning to account for future emissions and warming scenarios for 2050s, 2080's and 2100. To consider what adaptation planning and strategy can be developed in the near/short term. Use of climate science, projections, and other science based targets to support strategic decision making with respect to managing future flood risk and it's impacts. For 16., perhaps more emphasis required on innovative funding mechanisms and a more detailed explanation of economic appraisal methods for the flood risk reduction measures to be delivered in line with the strategy. This may be, contributions in kind from third parties, innovative ways of working (with communities), and cost avoided/saved from implementing successful measures.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 08:28 PM

We need some external voices not tied to the usual suspects contributing to this. A community voice would be a great start.

Anonymous

9/26/2025 09:06 PM

Its a shocking misuse of public money. Unbelievably pretracted and what does it all mean? Are you going to wade through (excuse the pun) these documents every time you have an emergency on your hands? It's awful to read. Worse than watching paint dry . Shameful really wasting all that money on this. It's such an important topic yet it's demeaned in its very delivery.Why use one word when you can use 10. Bearocracy gone mad sadly. The point has been completely lost .

Optional question (25 response(s), 40 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

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Lead Local Flood Authority - Comment on Responses			Responses to Consultation Questions						
Notable Comments	Required Actions	Comments / Outcomes / Amendments made to the Local Strategy	Q4 (What are your main concerns (if any) relating to the management of flood risk in your area?)	Q8 (If you have any suggestions for improving the explanation of roles and responsibilities, as mentioned in the previous question, please add them here.)	Q10 (Please provide any further comments you have in relation to our proposed objectives. Do any of our revised objectives need to be amended? Are there any additional objectives you would like to see within our revised Local Strategy?)	Q12 (Measures: If you would like to add any further comments please do so here.)	Q14 (Flood Action Plan: If you would like to add any further comments please do so here.)	Q18 (Climate Change: Please tell us how you feel the Local Strategy could better address the potential impacts of climate change and consider future flood risk scenarios.)	Q19 (Additional comments: Bearing in mind the scope of the Local Strategy, are there any other comments you would like to make on the draft Local Strategy? If yes, please add them here. Thank you.)
Need to consider rural areas as well as more densely populated areas. No response from MCC when requested sandbags.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	The Strategy considers both rural and urban areas on an catchment based approach.	Drains are not regularly checked and cleared on Usk Road which is what resulted in our property being flooded last year. There was also no answer on the emergency council number for sandbag and no one responded at all even after leaving a message. We were left to cope on our own with no support.		Make sure you don't just look at the main areas and also look at the more rural areas - we pay council tax as well!				
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Last year the stream flooded on well lane due to lack of maintenance at the top of the road. The stream has now been filled in at the top of the road so the flooding will be worse this year if we get a bad storm.		The strategy only works if it's implemented				
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Worried as have a culvert that runs down the side of our house/garden. We moved to Wales last summer and have already found, during last autumn storms, vegetation debri building up						
Concern of getting hold of sand bags when needed.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Circumstances around the issue raised are not clear. An Action to review the sandbag policy is included within the Flood Action Plan.	Getting sand bags when we need them						
Concerns over infill developments and building on flood plains.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	This is a planning policy related matter, managed through the Replacement Local Development Plan and TAN 15.	Permitted building of additional residential housing in gardens of existing properties, thus contributing to additional water whilst also removing open ground to absorbe rain water. Also, development on fields which act as natural defences in the water they absorb.		Having a clear maintenance strategy for drainage reens and flood defences is key. Ensure that this is well documented at the sites in question with signage- this ensures that the public are aware and can hold the authority to account if the flood defence/drainage ditch falls into disrepair.		Developments should not be permitted in areas where flooding has occurred from surface run off or saturation. MCC should not permit development on land that is clearly beneficial in preventing flooding based on the level of water it holds.		
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Risk to property, preventing damage, post damage support						
Osbaston Health Centre concerns - impacts of flooding and congestion if built. Mainly disagreed with content of strategy, strongly suggested consulting and listening to 'locals', but no comments provided in relation to possible additions or amendments to the strategy.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk from any new development in this area will be dealt with through the Planning process and consultation with relevant Risk Management Authorities and the SuDS Approving Body.	I am deeply concerned about the proposed health centre at Osbaston field. This location is CRUCiAL to the added effect of flooding of the river Monnow at the local school and Mill house area. ANY further building on scale of the proposed health centre with its tarmacing of parking areas will have a DEVASTATING effect on the SEVRERITY of flooding upstream of the site. Not to mention the CATASTROPHIC effect on traffic GRIDLOCKs and DANGER to school CHILDREN that extra congestion will no doubt cause . The Health Centre is a valuable addition to Monmouth BUT it is in the WRONG location. There are plenty of other locations this could be built that would be beneficial to ALL of the residents of Monmouth . That would not cause environmental and FLOOD risks. So PEASE Monmouth Council get on track with LOCAL concerns and ENGAGE with the SERIOUS consequences that CLIMATE CHANGE will affect planning DECISIONS for ALL of US. I might just REMIND you that Osbaston Road FLOODED at Least THREE TIMES this year alone. When ONCE every couple of years ,in past decades, would have been NORMAL	If ONLY persons who deal with these issues consulted LOCAL residents BEFORE decisions were made. In my estimation Sensible outcomes would prevail . In my 40 years of residency in Monmouth LOCAL people have NO influence on FINAL decisions.	Yes Consult Locals for their opinions . As in my experience more common sense will be obtained. Other than those who are supposedly 'experts' in their field.	AGAIN Consult LOCALS	Action plans are usually wrong .So Again consult LOCALS who are directly affected	By taking notice of the PLAIN FACTS and putting into place sensible strategies to combat the outcome. Instead of ignoring it and hoping for the best, as is the Norm.	I think I have said it ALL . PLEASE LISTEN
Severn Estuary Coastal Group Need to give consideration to the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP)	Review strategy to ensure the SMP is suitably referenced	The SMP is referenced throughout the documents. A specific Action in the Flood Action Plan 'Mon 37' has been added following consultation comments.	River Taff		Consideration of the Shoreline Management Plan				

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Concerns with vegetation cuttings not being cleared from ditches by grounds maintenance.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Specific details have not been provided. Requirements to keep watercourses clear following maintenance works are known, issues will be addressed upon receipt of complaints.	Main concern is that it seems like there is a disconnect between council departments, as the drains and ditches that get block near me are mainly to do with excess garden/nature trimmings not being properly cleaned up by grounds/maintenance.	N/A					
Wyesham Avenue - ditch needs piping, concerns of overloading and loss of land. Objects to new house building without adequate maintenance of downstream drainage networks.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	This is a known localised riparian ownership issue which has been communicated with local residents. Inspections are undertaken as and issues raised with riparian owners as required.	The brook running behind 30,31 and 32 wyesham ave monmouth, it is unpiped and has caused a loss of a great deal of land to home owners, the problem has been raised numerous times with the relevant authorities, it is sourced from the rain drains and surface water, this was not taken into account when all the new houses since the 1980's have been built on land above the brook, this is not suitable and is overloaded, it needs piping.					Do all the small jobs to save doing more expensive jobs at a later date, "a stitch in time saves nine "	I object to the building of new houses being built without the lower surface run off and rain drains not being adequately maintained
Concerns with paving over gardens, increased flood risk, poor flood warnings and upstream management	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	No specific details were provided. Many of the Measures and Actions within the Strategy are designed to address these concerns.	Too much surface flooding due to paved over front gardens, poor flood warnings and poor flood management upstream.		River Restauration methods need to be massively improved and also surface water flooding in residential areas by installing water gardens and discourage covering front gardens with surfaces				
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.							
Rural properties cut off and not prioritised. Concern with lack of mention to the St Brides Road being flooded and water through gardens. More focus suggested on rural areas not just Magor, Undy and Caldicot.	Review any potential changes in light of comment below Q8 Response: What actions are these bodies expected to take? What should I expect to see happening, so that I can hold the right people to account if it doesn't happen? In addition - review comments in relation to St Brides road - possible additional references in Action Plan to flooding in this area, consider need for an additional action to account if it doesn't happen?	Additional wording added to chapter 11.1 in Flood Action Plan to highlight the St Brides Brook and Mill Reen are main rivers, for which NRW are the designated Risk Management Authority. No amendments to the Roles and Responsibilities section have been made, these are deemed to be clear and if additional information is required, this can be obtained from the relevant authorities web pages etc	Rural properties being cut off and not prioritised for attention because "there are only a few people affected".	What actions are these bodies expected to take? What should I expect to see happening, so that I can hold the right people to account if it doesn't happen?	Hard to disagree with any of them.	I can only speak from my very local perspective. My home is on the edge of the "Nedern Brook" area, close to the "Mill Reen" area. Our access road has been subject to regular flooding for many years, and our neighbours' properties have had water to their doorsteps. Nearby properties on the St Brides Road have been cut off entirely and had several feet of water running past their gates. Yes in the narrative of the plan, none of these properties or issues are identified as being of interest or needing attention. The focus seems solely to be on the more built-up areas of Magor, Undy and Caldicot. Those of us living in outlying areas pay our rates at the same level as others, and deserve equal attention. Very disappointing.	See comment under "12: Measures" above.		See comments under "12: Measures" above.
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	A few impassable roads on commute to work/shops	I am not going to read a hyperlinked strategy document	All sound important				
Residents need more info. I.e. fl	Review references to Floodre and a	Chapter 5.2 - Link to Floodre added	Future floods	A flood information officer for insurance provision etc.	Residents need more info. I.e. flood re insurance.			Funded officers	
Concern with impacts of proposed Health Centre in Osbaston on flooding and traffic diversions through residential area	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	This matter will be dealt with through the Planning process and consultation with relevant Risk Management Authorities.	The monnow flash floods regularly blocking the access road to Osbaston. The concern is when the new health centre is built that this will force all the traffic up Hereford Road and then down highfield road which is not wide enough in some place for vehicles to pass each other. Cars then tend to turn down prospect road which is single track at the highfield road end. The road is not built for any volume of traffic. Osbaston road regularly floods down by the mill. I have not seen the Wye flood in town beyond filling the under pass.						
Concern with flooding on Wonastow Rd, increases in house insurances and decreasing property value. Access issues	Review any potential changes in light of comment below Q8 Response: "Possibly details of work that some organisations are reasonably for undertaking" Q10 Response: "Yes I would like to see evidence of streams water ways and sewers being kept clear from debris and for example on Wonastow Road the stream can be full of plants and hedge trimmings all adding to a bad flow of water when levels rise quickly as on watery lane."	Chapter 6.2 - Reference to NRW's flood gates in Monmouth and Chepstow added. Roles and Responsibilities and works undertaken by each Risk Management Authority are available within the Strategy and links provided. The Wonastow Brook is subject to inspections and blockages are cleared as required. This area falls within the Internal Drainage District for which NRW are the Land Drainage Authority. Local watercourses in this area become flood	It's got progressively worse in the last year. Ever time we have even a short but heavy burst of rain- Wonastow Road has terrible surface water. The stream alongside the road rises at a rapid rate- this is only in the last 12/18 months it's very noticeable. Main concerns as a homeowner are rising costs in house insurance and decreasing value of property value and potentially difficult to sell in the future. Access issues to residents whit no back access.	Possibly details of work that some organisations are reasonably for undertaking	Yes I would like to see evidence of streams water ways and sewers being kept clear from debris and for example on Wonastow Road the stream can be full of plants and hedge trimmings all adding to a bad flow of water when levels rise quickly as on watery lane.	There are no Measures that suggest any plan on how to divert water flow or have a way in which water can be transferred. Flood storage is a possible option not mentioned. The flood gates at the over Monnow are not explained or it's not understood when and what the requirements are for them to be opened	Better understanding is not going to prevent flooding. Action is needed and preventative measures	Be realistic and just plan for how bad it will be in 5-10 years as it will only ever get worse	

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	Q12: There are no Measures that suggest any plan on how to divert water flow or have a way in which water can be transferred. Flood storage is a possible option not mentioned. The flood gates at the over Monnow are not explained or it's not understood when and what the requirements are for them to be opened	locked when the River Monnow is in spate, resulting in localised flooding as the water has no where to go. This is dealt with in part by MCC's Wonastow Road pumping station. The reference to "flood gates" in the Over Monnow area is unclear and may refer to the pumping station and associated flood mitigation infrastructure.							
Mitchell Troy - The drainage along Common Road is inadequate. Flooded garage from highway runoff Emphasis on maintenance is required	Review any potential changes in light of comment below - possible action to review/record drainage along Common Rd Q10: Of course the most serious occurrences must be prioritised, but the basics such as clearance of drains simply never seem to happen. I believe this is a common theme in the UK where maintenance programmes have been degraded. Q19:Residents' homes at risk of flooding must always be the #1 priority (and I don't include my 'garage problem' in that cohort). I would like to see that explicitly stated / emphasised in the document.	Chapter 5.2 Reference to Common Rd added, review of flood risk covered in existing actions 5.6 Trothy SFRA Action Plan 'Trothy 3' Additional action added to investigate surface water flooding issues along Common Road, Mitchel Troy following consultation comments	The drainage along Common Road is inadequate. During periods of heavy and extreme rainfall the drainage/gutters are overwhelmed with water running across the road carrying silt, gravel and stones. At my property the gutter overflows at the dropped kerb, water enters my property, overwhelms my own drainage and floods my garage. The most recent occurrence was July 31st 2025.	What are the consequences for a body that does not meet their obligations ?	Of course the most serious occurrences must be prioritised, but the basics such as clearance of drains simply never seem to happen. I believe this is a common theme in the UK where maintenance programmes have been degraded.	Emphasis on maintenance is required		Better to focus on actual evidence for short and medium term action than on unknown future conditions.	Residents' homes at risk of flooding must always be the #1 priority (and I don't include my 'garage problem' in that cohort). I would like to see that explicitly stated / emphasised in the document.
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Please keep up the dredging of the Nedden regularly		Please improve drainage in Castle Lea area				
Concerns over surface water flooding on Church Rd Undy and 4 The Orchard. Also over maintenance of the Prat Reen "Prat reen, Prat reen, Prat reen.....get it sorted."	Review any potential changes in light of comment below - Consider Action to review flooding along Church Rd - check previous LDI's Q10: The Mill Reen SFRA needs to refer to Prat Reen and Collister Pill Reen. Prat Reen floods as it cannot cope with the huge amount of surface water run off Q12: - Review response in detail and consider any necessary amendments Q14: Mill Reen SFRA needs to include Prat Reen. The flooding here covers a wide area of the levels putting properties and livestock at risk. The amount of surface water run off from the Vinegar Hill and Rockfield Farm estates into the reen is unacceptable. It is only going to get worse as the developments aren't finished yet.	The Mill Reen SFRA Flood Action Plan contains actions to review flood risk and identify mitigation options in this area. 11.1 Mill Reen SFRA Action Plan - Description Additional wording added to clarify that the St Brides Brook and Mill Reen are designated main rivers, for which NRW are the designated Risk Management Authority. 11.1 Mill Reen SFRA Action Plan - Description References to the Prat Reen and Collister Pill Reen also added.	Surface Water Run Off. During heavy rain surface water cascades down Church Road and the drain in the road adjacent to my property (4 The Orchard) cannot cope. The road is flooded and the excess water enters my front driveway. Prat reen at the back of my property overtops and the flood comes up to my back fence. You have managed the risk of flooding on the large new developments in Undy by directing the surface water onto the Gwent Levels via Prat Reen. It cannot cope. It is not wide enough, not cleared of vegetation or dredged often enough. Much of the land on the Gwent Levels becomes flooded. Homes and livestock are at risk.		The Mill Reen SFRA needs to refer to Prat Reen and Collister Pill Reen. Prat Reen floods as it cannot cope with the huge amount of surface water run off	Measure 1 states a benefit of 'Ensures new development does not increase local flood risk elsewhere' Measure 3: Reduced number of people at risk of flooding by ensuring SuDS on new developments mimic the natural drainage regime and manage surface water at source and at the surface and prevent natural runoff rates being exceeded. yet 3.3.1 states 'For a number of environmentally significant sites, occasional flooding is unlikely to have a significant impact (e.g. county parks) or may even form part of natural processes in the area which enhance the natural environment and part of the reason for a site's designation (e.g. SSSI's). Monmouthshire County Council will continue to consider how these areas can support and potentially reduce the impact of flooding from surface water and small watercourses. Contradictory. Surface water from the large new developments in Undy have their surface water directed onto the Gwent Levels SSSI, particularly via Prat reen which cannot cope in heavy rain. A huge area floods. The reens need to be widened, vegetation cut and dredged more regularly. SUDS for new developments are inadequate. They do not meet your objectives of dealing with surface water at source.	Mill Reen SFRA needs to include Prat Reen. The flooding here covers a wide area of the levels putting properties and livestock at risk. The amount of surface water run off from the Vinegar Hill and Rockfield Farm estates into the reen is unacceptable. It is only going to get worse as the developments aren't finished yet.	Stop building in areas that direct surface water to cause flooding elsewhere. Work more closely with NRW and give them the worst case scenarios for surface water run off so they can manage the reens better.	Prat reen, Prat reen, Prat reen.....get it sorted.

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Concerns with new developmen	Review any potential changes in light of comment below - Q10: The strategy document uses wording such as "Risk based" and in no way sets out a committed and clear approach as to how the well know risks will be addressed. Nor does it say how the risk of development increasing flood risk is to be managed. Q12: There should be a clear statement as to intent and action proposed to ameliorate risk. It is well know that drainage in critical areas is inadequate; how will MCC ensure that Welsh Water upgrade to ensure adequate drainage? Q18: By recognising that unprecedented periods of heavy rain will occur more frequently and by being more definitive on the measure which will actually be undertaken, not simply given consideration, will be implemented, by when, how it will be funded, and who is to be accountable.	The Monmouthshire wide Flood Action Plan and Actions Plans for each Strategic Flood Risk Area details the proposed actions associated with the risk based approach, including timelines, costs and resources required. Management of flood risk from new developments is managed through the planning process and SuDS approved by the SuDS Approving Body as detailed within the Strategy. Upgrades to Welsh Water's assets are managed through their own Assessment Management Plans	The development of housing on known flood plains; and the impact such development will have on severity of flooding. Water needs somewhere to go. A good example is Burrium Close in Usk. Another still in planning stage is that for up to 400 houses at Dixon in Monmouth.		The strategy document uses wording such as "Risk based" and in no way sets out a committed and clear approach as to how the well know risks will be addressed. Nor does it say how the risk of development increasing flood risk is to be managed.	There should be a clear statement as to intent and action proposed to ameliorate risk. It is well know that drainage in critical areas is inadequate; how will MCC ensure that Welsh Water upgrade to ensure adequate drainage?		By recognising that unprecedented periods of heavy rain will occur more frequently and by being more definitive on the measure which will actually be undertaken, not simply given consideration, will be implemented, by when, how it will be funded, and who is to be accountable.	
Reference to NFM and soil management etc include in Measure 8. Saturated ground mentioned as being a cause of increased runoff from higher ground. Capital allocations will be dependant on schemes promoted and funding received	Review any potential changes in light of comment below Q10: Section 3.3.1 - studies by the Wye and Usk Foundation support the findings of the Environment Agency that change in agricultural practice, such as winter grazing on stubble turnips increase runoff contributing to increased risk of elevated flood level for a given rainfall event. Add into this section recognition of this effect. Q14: Several NFM projects are under way, for example in the Kingswood area and along the Trothy, however there is no mention of ongoing monitoring of their effectiveness Q19: An overall allocation of capital between different measures, e.g. NFM compared to Physical interventions would be useful together with the justification for this allocation	Chapter 7.3.3 Land, Cultural and Environmental Management Measure 8 Natural Flood Management & Nature Based Solutions - Reference to reducing soil compaction and winter grazing added. - Reference to reducing agricultural runoff added. - Reference to the Local Nature Recovery Action Plan added Chapter 4.8 Monnow SFRA Action Plan 'Monnow 8' Additional Natural Flood Management action added for the new 'Resilient Rivers Monnow' project Allocation of capital funding for different types of interventions is driven by the annual grants awarded to MCC. As NFM becomes more mainstream, future reporting on this will be possible.	Water Lane/Rockfield Road junction		Section 3.3.1 - studies by the Wye and Usk Foundation support the findings of the Environment Agency that change in agricultural practice, such as winter grazing on stubble turnips increase runoff contributing to to increased risk of elevated flood level for a given rainfall event. Add into this section recognition of this effect.	Measure 8 strongly support, increase understanding of risk among councillors and the public. We can reduce the risk of an event from a 1in 5 year event to a 1 in 10 year event, but unlikely to prevent a 1 in 100 year event using NFM, or any other measure. Measure 15 link to Measure 8, efforts under measure 8 should reduce need for interventions in measure 15	Several NFM projects are under way, for example in the Kingswood area and along the Trothy, however there is no mention of ongoing monitoring of their effectiveness		An overall allocation of capital between different measures, e.g. NFM compared to Physical interventions would be useful together with the justification for this allocation
Concerns with hedge cutting debris blocking drains Q18 Climate change - "I don't think you or anybody else can. Until the whole world takes notice we will all just be running around clearing up the mess as it hits us."	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Management of highway drainage infrastructure is detailed in the Highway Asset Management Plan and supporting Strategy as detailed in this Strategy. Any reports of blocked highway drainage as a result of hedge cutting will be added inspected and cleared on a reactive basis.	Most autumn storms come after local hedges have been cut and waste left on the roads, this is then swept down the lanes and covers the drains. We are at a junction of 3 roads meeting at the bottom of the hill so this can be a problem coming in 3 directions and pooling in front of our house covering the junction. If roads were swept after hedge cutting this would improve.		Ensure that roads are kept clear of debris that is then swept into drains therefore blocking them.			I don't think you or anybody else can. Until the whole world takes notice we will all just be running around clearing up the mess as it hits us.	
Burium Gate, Usk development - could cause increased flood risk Q12 "Just as with the "Consultation" on the revised RLDP, there is too much reading to make any useful contribution." Q19 "Get on and do something - and do not spend any more years talking about it"	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk from any future development at Burrium Gate, Usk will be considered through he planning process and SuDS Approving Body. Comment on the length of the Strategy is noted, however the statutory requirements necessitate the level of information it contains.	Possible new housing development (Burrium Gate Phase 2) causing lots more run-off down towards the Oway Brook and flooding into the main part of Usk near Priory Gardens	Exact, spelled-out actions, not vague possibilities of action		Just as with the "Consultaion" on the revised RLDP, there is too much reading to make any useful contribution.	Appendix A is not available		Get on and do something - and do not spend any more years talking about it
Comments provided relating to flood awareness, drinking water supplies, flood warnings and a local shop network.	Review any potential changes in light of comment below: Q4: "Suitable / sufficient advance notification of potential flooding, appropriate handling by relevant bodies e.g. water board regularly fails to notify us if drinking water is safe / provide safe water etc." Q8: Yes - there is no mention of what happens if our homes become compromised (fresh water / electricity / gas etc.) - or how we would even know that we might	It is believed that the delivery of bottled water by DCWW was due to a lack of supply. DCWW are the responsible authority in these instances. Awareness of what to do in a flood event is the homeowners responsibility, multiple sources of information are referenced within the strategy i.e. MCC's website etc Notification of flooding is the homeowners responsibility to sign up to flood warnings etc	Suitable / sufficient advance notification of potential flooding, appropriate handling by relevant bodies e.g. water board regularly fails to notify us if drinking water is safe / provide safe water etc.	Yes - there is no mention of what happens if our homes become compromised (fresh water / electricity / gas etc.) - or how we would even know that we might be compromised. Some homes have septic tanks which can easily be overwhelmed during flooding (as happened to us on 2024). There is	As per my previous answer, there are unconsidered elements: e.g. impact on septic tanks; drinking water; other utilities (electricity, gas, internet etc.) Also post-flooding reparation measures (e.g. possible road re-surfacing, revised access etc.)				Can we set up some kind of local shop network where deliveries of essential items can be facilitated when we get flooded in? e.g. can Lidl or Waitrose have an 'essential items' list that we can use and then can we have those items delivered?

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	be compromised. Some homes have septic tanks which can easily be overwhelmed during flooding (as happened to us on 2024). There is no indication in the document on what we should do if there is a repeat. In 2020, no-one told us not to drink our tap water, yet 3 days into being flooded in, Welsh Water ended up delivering bottled water. Were we drinking potentially contaminated water for 3 days??? Q19: Can we set up some kind of local shop network where deliveries of essential items can be facilitated when we get flooded in? e.g. can Lidl or Waitrose have an 'essential items' list that we can use and then can we have those items delivered?	Setting up a local shop network would be a community initiative, MCC may be able to support where appropriate, further detail would be required.		no indication in the document on what we should do if there is a repeat. In 2020, no-one told us not to drink our tap water, yet 3 days into being flooded in, Welsh Water ended up delivering bottled water. Were we drinking potentially contaminated water for 3 days???					
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.							
Osbaston area flooding concerns, request for defences	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	NRW are the Risk Management Authority for the River Monnow in this area. MCC will support their assessment of potential future mitigation options. The following additional Actions have been added to the Ch 4.6 Table 7 Monnow SFRA Flood Action Plan Monnow 8: Natural Flood Management Work with partners, including Natural Resources Wales, Network Rail and the Wye and Usk Foundation to identify and deliver NFM, nature based solutions and land management change to reduce flood risk in the Monnow catchment. Monnow 9: Forge Road, Osbaston Support Natural Resources Wales in reviewing options to reduce flood risk to properties from the River Monnow.	Protection of Osbaston School, flood defense for monmouth nursery and surrounding area too as the river has been so high in recent years and feel like its only a matter of time before substantial damage is done						
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Lack of maintenance to gullies culverts and ditches						
Monnow Mill, Osbaston Concerned with lack of clean up post flood Concerned with impact of proposed Health Centre on traffic and flooding	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk from any new development in this area will be dealt with through the Planning process and consultation with relevant Risk Management Authorities and the SuDS Approving Body. Meetings have been held with MCC's Operations team regarding post event cleansing.	Severe Flooding 3 times a year annually in house at Monnow Mill, Osbaston Rd, for the past 3 years . The road has to be closed due to Osbaston rd becoming a dangerous fast flowing river.The council does not clear the mud accrued during this time ,neither in the road or pavement.Osbaston School has to be closed.When it opens after this period ,usually about 2 days later ,the children and pedestrians have to wade through high levels of toxic mud .Indeed the pavement has NEVER been cleaned.As residents we are seriously concerned that Monmouthshire Council is considering granting Planning Permission to Aneuren Bevan to build a health Centre on the brow of Osbaston rd next to Osbaston School on a meadow above Forge Rd which serves as a soak away for water coming down the hill.The plan is to install tanks to absorb flood water and then release it slowly into the river thus continuing the pressure of water into the river which floods both Monnow Mill and Houses on Forge Road filling the river with toxic polluted water from the excess traffic which will accrue from the cars ,delivery vehicles etc visiting the Health centre on a daily basis.As a result of greater flooding the many trucks and delivery vans take a detour through the Osbaston Housing estate with very narrow roads and is quite inappropriate for use as a short cut. Indeed there have already been serious incidents with trucks getting stuck on very steep roads and destroying garden fences and walls.I I feel Monmouthshire council does not take the issue of flooding and consequent structural and maintenance issues and possible disastrous future plans for more building at Osbaston at all seriously .The degradation to the environment ,pressure on the local infrastructure .	See my comments above on Flooding at Monnow Mill and Osbaston Rd	Yes. Your objectives are too vague.		I have already commented on the appalling infrastructure support and contemplation of further building planning in flood risk areas in Monmouth .I think this report re Monmouth is merely paying lip service to the problem. Monmouth has allowed building planning over the years in flood areas.REPEAT Monmouth is on a FLOOD PLAIN !!!	Stop Building .! Better public Transport Better emergency street. Cleaning. Quicker emergency road closures . An emergency dedicated phone line.	Regarding Monmouth I think the recommendations are superficial . I am concerned this is more of a PR Exercise than a serious consideration of the implications of long term environmental change and destruction .

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			We have had absolutely no support from Monmouthshire .No acknowledgement of all the work we have done on land reclamation,environmental infrastructure building in what is a conservation area.Every time we flood I have to spend trying to contact an official to close the road so that Cars ploughing their way through the fast rising water in the belief they can get through and then breaking down.When the cars plough through they create a huge bow wave which pours into our house making the flood water rise even quicker inside . We have lived here for 18 years ,we were aware of flooding issues but in the last 5 years serious flooding has become regular and yet Monmouthshire Council seems utterly oblivious to this ,merely offering a plastic sticker in our window to say we want to be rescued, whilst considering the possibility of granting planning permission for a Health Centre at the top of Osbaston ,not to mention a further plan for a huge housing estate on Dixon rd which also floods and is part of Flood plain. WHEN is Monmouthshire Council going to accept that Monmouth is built on a Flood Plain between 2 rivers The Monnow and The Wye not to mention The Trothy !!!!!						
Q10 response: "These objectives well illustrate the usual way the County Council goes about things. They try to make out they are doing something but nothing ever happens"	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments provided do not contain sufficient detail or context to require amendments to the Strategy.	My concerns are to do with the purpose of this survey. We all know the areas that flood, how are they to be managed??	Please explain what you understand management to mean? IS nit simply people with boats??	These objectives well illustrate the usual way the County Council goes about things. They try to make out they are doing something but nothing ever happens				
Concerned about drains, tree removal and impact on other environmental sites and infrastructure	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments provided do not contain sufficient detail or context to require amendments to the Strategy.	For no trees to be cut down. Trees always seem to be victims to any land alterations and it's not fair or right . I worry about the habitat of birds animals and nature at any land alterations as well as natural wild water courses being altered and no longer natural	The town drains I think need looked at they seem to hold the water draining into them rather then the water going down into them said assume draining would or should do	My main concern is not altering wild nature or historical buildings, infrastructures, sacred sites, and wildlife habitats. Of course people's homes and lives are important but there needs to be as little infringement as possible on the other things I mentioned	Do not cut trees or alter wild flowing waterways		Climate change is ahead thinking but immediate thinking is how any action or alterations to wild nature affect the ecosystem right turn and there.	
Q19 response "Encourage residents to use the App or for those without the interne to report at local Hwbs with support from staff to make reports and ensure they receive feedback on their reports". Suggests awareness raising amongst schools	Explore if how to report floods is adequately explained in Strategy	Further review undertaken, investigating and recording flood events and seeking solutions already occurs and is included in the measures. How to report flooding is actively promoted through all LLFA interactions as is available on the MyMon app.	Flooding along Wonastow Road affecting access to properties and local small businesses.	No	Regarding raising awareness officers could engage with local teachers and schools to encourage local studies in Geography lessons and raise awareness among future generations.			We need to collate data so areas of regular flooding in Monmouth and other areas can be investigated to explore mitigation measures before the next event heavy rain event. Also what can other councils and NRW do to slow the progress of water flow from land and rivers entering Monmouthshire.	Encourage residents to use the App or for those without the interne to report at local Hwbs with support from staff to make reports and ensure they receive feedback on their reports.
Monnow Mill, Osbaston Concerned with lack of clean up post flood Concerned with impact of proposed Health Centre on traffic and flooding	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk from any new development in this area will be dealt with through the Planning process and consultation with relevant Risk Management Authorities and the SuDS Approving Body. Meetings have been held with MCC's Operations team regarding post event cleansing.	Regular annual flooding on Osbaston Rd.Floods.3 times a year in house.(Monnow Mill) .Failure to clear clean road of heavy mud..Failure to close road when it floods so cars plough through causing a bough wave of water into our home .Failure to recognise that all new building puts pressure on sewers,drains and underground springs which are many on Osbaston Rd.Failure to refuse to consider a new build of Health Centre on Osbaston Rd next to Osbaston School. This site is a meadow with an underground Spring which catches run off water before it flows into Osbaston Rd and the Monnow River.Both the Houses at Forge Rd below ,flood during this time as does Monnow Mill when the river breaks it's banks and Osbaston Rd is flooded.Should this planned building go ahead they will install tanks in the Meadow to absorb the water and then slowly release the water .This is a ludicrous idea as the land becomes saturated from the flood ,takes Months to dry and Monnow Mill and Forge Road suffer very badly. In the meantime.The toxicity of these new developments in terms of run off,sewage etc and excessive toxicity from the extra traffic, car tires (particularly Electric Cars) all pollutes the Monnow River and degrades the environment and Wildlife..This is a. Observation area and yet Monmouth Council fails to adhere to this and National Resources Wales is virtually non existent. We have spent a fortune over the last 18 years on environmental additions to preserve the land and the house and encourage and preserve wild life but we have had no support or interest from Monmouthshire Council .Monmouth is on a flood plain ,there must be no more building !	I am aware of individual depts responsibilities,however apart from the nice men who occasionally come round to clear the drains there is no evidence of support or consciousness of how our building policies is destroying the environment and exacerbating the problem	STOP BUILDING !		STOP BUILDING !	STOP BUILDING STOP USING CONCRETE.,USE HEMP	This form is long and complicated and submitting is a technical problem as it won't submit !!

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Q4 response "Blocked water courses. Poor planning - allowing permitted development of agricultural buildings without drainage plans. House building in flood risk areas." Q8 response: "Flood risk should be controlled by one department !"	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk from any new development is dealt with through the Planning process and consultation with relevant Risk Management Authorities and the SuDS Approving Body Blocked watercourse can be reported to MCC and NRW who will investigate and use their permissive powers where required..	Blocked water courses. Poor planning - allowing permitted development of agricultural buildings without drainage plans. House building in flood risk areas. Land drainage officers who have no authority and only answers to flooding from poor agricultural practices is " water runs downhill". Listen to local resident knowledge, many have lived in Monmouthshire all their lives and know how flooding works in this area. Poor planning on floodplains upstream of Monmouthshire resulting in increased water flows.	Flood risk should be controlled by one department !	Planning control is the most important objective. Look after residents needs not large building company profits			Better agricultural control.	
Q4: Concern with development	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	The Mill Reen SFRA Flood Action Plan includes the following actions: Mill Reen 1 Flood Risk Assessment Undertake a catchment wide assessment of flood risk to identify properties, businesses and infrastructure at greatest risk of flooding from local sources and consider potential mitigation options. Mill Reen 2 Magor Community Flood Plan Support the local community in developing a community flood plan. Mill Reen 3 Magor Identify and review options to reduce known flood risk from local sources.	Mill Reem burst its banks a few years ago and flood water engulfed our garden but thankfully not our house. With the building of many new houses at the top of Dancing Hill, where rainwater work previously have been absorbed, what steps are being taken to manage this?						
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Access to property						
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Culvert and drains not maintained and inadequate for volume of water	Not sure where culverts are in the list of responsibilities	You need a clear named department or individual contact in order to discuss local flooding and solutions	We have had no response to our email detailing flood at our property which was clearly the result of an inadequate poorly maintained culvert		Listen to local feedback and action accordingly	Lots of words but not enough action or clear decision making in order to address issues raised. By local people
Highlights residents clear culvert/screen by Jordan Way - monitored and inspected by MCC also Too few council staff, too stretched in flood event Concern over too few sandbags delivered in Storm Bert and future development increasing flooding	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments relating to a lack of staff resource are noted. This will require monitoring as flood events become more frequent. The trash screen at Jordan Way is part of a MCC routine inspection and maintenance schedule and is monitored remotely by a CCTV positioned upstream.	Flooding from run off experienced to road level. The culvert on Jordan Close NP25 5EB is frequently having to be cleared by myself and neighbours. The flow of water appears to have increased following the housing development on Wonastow. The frequency of having to clear the culvert has increased in the past 12 months. When it is cleared the water flows. In November 2024 it came up onto the road, only the action of local residents prevented the homes from being flooded. The junction to Watery Lane, and also part of Rockfield Road flood and cut off access.	The explanations for the roles and responsibilities are understood. My concern is there are too few council staff that are stretched in the flood situations. Preventative maintenance could be improved.				NRW need to have a suitable budget and strategy to allow the water courses to be monitored and maintained. Work collaboratively with MCC	During the last flood risk sand bags were brought round by the council workers, but we were advised that only two per household was allowed. While I appreciate budget restrictions, the preventative maintenance would have removed the need for sandbags. The proposed planning for houses adjacent to Watery Lane will further impact the run off water course in this area. Planning consideration need to consider the impact on existing developments.
MCC Planning Department	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments noted.	Increase in surface water drainage. Unauthorised development which does not mitigate against flood risks.		To continue to liase and work with the planning department to provide solutions to avert and manage flood risks.				
Concern with flooding in low spots nr St Arvans Q10 suggests roads should be "levelled" and MCC should provide flood barriers and sand bags etc	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Sandbags are issued to residents in emergency situations. It is not possible to prevent flooding all roads from flooding. Those most at risk will be considered for future drainage schemes when reported. The Wye SFRA Action Plan includes the following action and will consider areas of the highway network most at risk of flooding: Flood Risk Assessment Undertake a catchment wide assessment of flood risk to identify properties, businesses and infrastructure at greatest risk of flooding from local sources and consider potential mitigation options.	That not enough is done to mitigate, eg Levelling roads properly, sandbags distributed, flood barriers. We live in St Arvans and in Nov 2024 were stranded at home near Piercefield pub, as we couldn't get down the road past Racecourse (due to massive dips/ditches in the centre of road creating flood water forde as a result of the road not being levelled)...we tried heading more towards Monmouth too, but there was an area near Devauden where the road waa also impassible due to the flooding.		That MCC must be responsible for ensuring mitigations to possible flood risks by levelling roads properly, creating strong and well positioned flood barriers and providing applicable local businesses and residents with equipment to prevent flood damage to property (such as sandbags, etc.)	see answer to Q. 10 above.	See answer to Q. 10 above	see answer to Q. 10 above.	Monmouthshire (MCC) really needs to make sure that ALL roadsin the area will be passable (especially to Emergency vehicles) in the event of severe or storm weather, for the benefit of businesses and residents alike.
Q4 Lack of culvert cleaning increases risk of surface water flooding from roads. Off road motor bikes have caused extensive damage to step tracks causing significant soil erosion and material ending up on the highway.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	It is not possible to include all culverts on a proactive inspection and maintenance schedule. Key culverts are prioritised for inspections and cleared as required.	Lack of culvert cleaning increases risk of surface water flooding from roads. Off road motor bikes have caused extensive damage to step tracks causing significant soil erosion and material ending up on the highway.	No	Less time spent on performative declarations and wasting money on "The Climate Emergency" and more time and money spent on dealing with the consequences.		Lots of expensive documents and consultants/consultation s and so little spent on practical implementation of common sense flood management all in the name of protecting the environment from human interventions.		
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Loss of space	Better control of the current drainage system by clearing waterways.	The effect of climate change must be taken into account.	Keeping drainage system fully functional.	Nothing more	Continued monitoring ia essential	

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Q4 1. The continuing increase of householders converting gardens into hard surface parking areas 2. The continuing failure of farmers to install marginal buffer zones along field edges/watercourses 3. the absence of specific information on how housing developments described in the RLDP will be engineered to reduce flood risk - including how to avoid increased run-off from hard surfaces and roads, and the increased load on waste water drainage/combined storm outlets Q8 response suggests document is too lengthy and real life explanation and actions should be included - this is the Flood Action Q19 Its virtually unreadable. Hence my reluctance to express any opinion beyond "neither agree nor disagree) in the drop-downs	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	1. Since 2019 such areas over 100 square metres are required to have SuDS compliant with National Standards and approved by MCC as the SuDS Approving Body. Smaller areas are encouraged to incorporate SuDS through the planning process. 2. Buffers strips are now being incentivised though Welsh Governments' new Sustainable Farming Scheme and are considered in natural flood management schemes delivered by MCC. 3. Flood risk associated with developments included within the RLDP has been considered to ensure compliance with national policies is achievable. The detail of drainage and any mitigation schemes will be reviewed when the detail is submitted as part of future planning applications.	1. The continuing increase of householders converting gardens into hard surface parking areas 2. The continuing failure of farmers to install marginal buffer zones along field edges/watercourses 3. the absence of specific information on how housing developments described in the RLDP will be engineered to reduce flood risk - including how to avoid increased run-off from hard surfaces and roads, and the increased load on waste water drainage/combined storm outlets	This document is clearly a product of bureaucratic directions and requirements. Its absurdly lengthy, endlessly cross referenced and consists of a series of principles, rather than concrete and specific actions. Whilst I daresay it meets the demands of Welsh Government instructions, and clarifies roles for the departments of MCC and governmental bodies, it is almost meaningless to a public audience (including me). Literally none of us cares whether section 2.3.4 is the responsibility of Department X, subdivision 2a or what strategic document paragraph 34.2.1 cross references. What we need to know, and could comment usefully on is what this all means in real life. To improve the document, try cutting its length by 90%, and describe the specific real-life measures it entails.	Add "produce a version of this strategy intelligible to the general public"	There are no measures in in the document. Everything in it describes a "principle" or a process. The Appendix A would appear to come closest to describing concrete "measures" - but this isnt included in the circulated draft! (although looking at it after locating it by doing a separate search suggests all of measures in it are mainly preliminaries - doing assessments and investigations. As necessary as they are, they dont constitute actions that a lay person can usefully comment upon)	The Flood Action Plan is not included in the linked Strategy document. However, after finding it elsewhere, my comments are as above (Q 12)	As indicated in previous answers, I dont believe this document is in a form that enables useful comments	Its virtually unreadable. Hence my reluctance to express any opinion beyond "neither agree nor disagree) in the drop-downs
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Too many new builds being built (or planning in place) in areas that naturally flood.						
Q10 More active interaction with people and property at risk Q14 More alerts for those at risk when water levels are rising Maintenance of storm drains which are not kept clear on highways Maintenance of ditches Assessment of land affected by groundwater buildup and solution to ease problems More ditches and French drains to take excess water away	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Actions around communication are included within the Strategy, this will be an ongoing piece of work. MCC as the Lead Local Flood Authority are contactable at any time if anyone wishes to discuss flood risk. NRW are responsible for issuing flood warnings. Management of highway drainage infrastructure is detailed in the Highway Asset Management Plan and supporting Strategy as detailed in this Strategy.	Maintainence to reduce risk of damage to property		More active interaction with people and property at risk	Maintainence	More alerts for those at risk when water levels are rising	More communication between all the various bodies and 'no passing the buck'	Maintainence of storm drains which are not kept clear on highways Maintainence of ditches Assessment of land affected by groundwater buildup and solution to ease problems More ditches and French drains to take excess water away
Q12 You should consider the potential for volunteers to assist with the maintenance of drainage. Drains become quickly blocked when hedge cutting starts and leaves fall. This dose of course have H & S issues. But thinks like monitoring culverts from a safe distance and taking photos could allow MCC resources to be assigned to the places they are most needed. Q19 see volunteer comment above. Warning signs in the area I live could be unlocked by a local representative rather than getting someone to come out and put up signs and bollards when roads are flooded	Consider if voluntary help can be considered or promoted in the strategy - possibly covered by community flood plan promotion	Further review undertaken, such volunteer engagement can be considered through the community engagement measures proposed. Additional detail on community engagement added to Measure 10.	water not able to enter the Usk and not having enough flood plain to back up into		No but reducing the time inbetween the revision of the objectives should be discussed. Climate change is rapidly changing flood patterns and revised objectives may be needed to deal with the fluctuation flooding	You should considr the potential for volunteers to assit with the maintneace of drainage. Drains become quickly blocked when hedge cutting starts and leaves fall. This dose of course have H & S issues. But thinks like monitoring culverts from a safe distnace and taking photos could allow MCC resorces to be assigned to the places they are most needed.			see volunteer comment above. Warning signs in the area I live could be unlocked by a local represntative rather than getting somone to come out and put up signs and bollards when roads are flooded

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Concern with flooding on Common Rd Mitchell Troy, drainage clearance, gully's not on edge of road etc	Consider need to add action to review drainage and flood risk along Common Road	Chapter 5.6 Trothy SFRA: Additional action for Common Rd surface water flooding issues added (Trothy 3)	1. Lack of maintenance, at one time the gutters and drains out side my property were regular swept and cleaned. It is a long time since I last saw this being done. 2. Previously when the road outside my property flooded with in a few days the sweepers and drain cleaners arrived and cleaned up. The last time it flooded Nov/Dec 2024, despite me ringing the council several times they never did clean the road. In the end about 2 weeks after the flooding my neighbour cleaned the gutters. 3. I live on the main road in Mitchel Troy nearly opposite Common Road. Apart from a short distance from the main road there are no gutters but there are drains. The problem is that at some time in the past Common Road was widened. The drains however are now approximately 30cm from the edge of the road. During heavy rain water and debris are washed down Common Road the first drain it hits is on the corner of Common Road and the main road. This immediately blocks and floods as do the drains on the main road. If the drains on Common Road were at the edge of the road this could help reduce the flooding. 4. On the Main Road there is a traffic island, when the drains are blocked and the road floods, some drivers drive on to the wrong side of the road and the traffic island. In that direction it is difficult to see oncoming traffic and could result in a collision						
MCC Countryside Concerns with flooding and damage on PRWO and Castle Meadows infrastructure Q8 As per question 1 not all those who should be included within this document are. It would be helpful if sites and prow could be added or mentioned within existing roles and responsibilities. Q19 Monmouthshire's Countryside Access Improvement Plan is a statutory document which contains statements of action to target surface maintenance programs and natural flood management and assist with flooding. It should be included within the plan. Q19 We would welcome talking to you to see how we can be recognised within this plan to safeguard assets, protect the public and ensure we are part of any solutions. Thank you.	Add reference to Countryside's Plan in Strategy Consider specific action to review flooding impacts to PROW Discuss with Countryside team	Reference to the Monmouthshire's Countryside Access Improvement Plan added to Chp. 2.1 Reference to PROW and flooding issues added to Chp. 5.1 Specific action added in Action Plan Mon 38 Give consideration to the impacts of flooding on the PROW network and potential mitigation measures at the most strategic locations. Reference to Countryside Act Added in Appendix B	Public Rights of Way are highways in law and we are responsible for managing flooding and safety of the public as per any other highway. Countryside sites are also not recognised here as landowners we also have some responsibility here too. The damage and costs to our infrastructure and furniture on public rights of way and our sites is of particular concern. There are 1300+ bridges alone on the prow network and flooding has caused considerable damage in the past few years. Resulting erosion is a particular concern on promoted routes such as Wye Valley Walk and Usk Valley walk and has an impact in terms of economic, destination and heritage to the authority, residents and visitors to Monmouthshire. Continual annual flooding on sites such as Castle Meadows, where there is in excess of 98,000 people a year, is causing a deterioration in paths which is resulting in them not being as accessible as they should be and concerns over safety. Long term it may result in sites being closed to the public if left unaddressed.	As per question 1 not all those who should be included within this document are. It would be helpful if sites and prow could be added or mentioned within existing roles and responsibilities.					Monmouthshire's Countryside Access Improvement Plan is a statutory document which contains statements of action to target surface maintenance programs and natural flood management and assist with flooding. It should be included within the plan. Recent flooding, storms and increase in surface water run off from increasingly heavy rainfall are continually increasing our backlog of works and resulting in loss of access to the public. Increasingly landowners are looking to us to pay for repairs to highways from water damage. There is insufficient funds to manage flooding events and insufficient legal processes in place to manage situations where there is opportunity to look to do so. For example managed retreat is not possible for prow. This is an issue which has been raised with WG. When there has been significant floods, funds from welsh government have not materialised to pay for damages. We would welcome talking to you to see how we can be recognised within this plan to safeguard assets, protect the public and ensure we are part of any solutions. Thank you.
MCC Green Infrastructure	Review comments in detail and make necessary amendments	Suggested amendments have been incorporated into final draft of the Local Strategy.			6.2 Table 13 Opportunity to include reference to the delivery of Net Benefit of Biodiversity here (requirement of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016) as it is definitely missing (although mentioned in SEA) 4. Ensure flood resilience at environmentally significant and sensitive sites of national, regional and local importance are protected and delivery of Net Benefit for Biodiversity	Measure 8 Natural Flood Management is the process whereby natural processes and nature based solutions are utilised to reduce the risk of flooding. These processes protect, restore and mimic the natural drainage regime and are designed to store, slow and infiltrate water to reduce flood risk. Such Green Infrastructure also provide wider benefits such as improved water quality, amenity & biodiversity enhancements and carbon capture. NFM measures can include:		Use of Green Infrastructure for Climate Change mitigation and adaption.	2.1 Table 1 suggest adding text MCC's Climate & Nature Emergency Strategy (2024): In 2019 Monmouthshire County Council declared a climate emergency which includes actions for the Council to reduce our contribution to climate change. The Environment (Wales Act) Biodiversity & Ecosystem Resilience forward Plan, Green Infrastructure Strategy and Local Nature Recovery Action Plan are adopted delivery mechanisms. In addition, MCC has declared a Motion for the Rivers and Ocean which includes an Action Plan focusing on environmental protection and enhancement, improving water quality and reducing flood risk. 3.2 Environmental datasets Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (not interest) Table 5, 6, 7 & 8 Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (not interest) Refs to Environment Act should include (Wales) to differentiate between this and Environment Act for UK government (covering environmental

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									matters in England). Overall the use of the term Green Infrastructure should be extended particularly in reference to Nature Based Solutions and NFM as this is an adopted approach at MCC. It is useful and strengthening to use consistent terminology. In addition to the reference to the GI Strategy, which is welcomed, the adopted GI SPG should also be referenced as a mechanism to help secure Place Making including nature based solutions and suds at planning. Glossary Green Infrastructure is very narrow - Monmouthshire Strategy definition is as follows: In Monmouthshire, Green Infrastructure (GI) refers to the network of natural and managed green and blue spaces, including trees, woodlands, parks, rivers, ponds, and sustainable drainage systems, that provide multiple environmental, social, and economic benefits. It is a strategic approach to planning and managing these assets to create well-connected habitats for wildlife, improve the quality of life for residents, mitigate climate impacts, and support the local economy and landscape character.
Wye and Usk Foundation Q10 Typo noted on Pg 63 Q12 Very pleased to see partnership working and NFM there. In an ideal world we would like to see something along the lines of working with partnership organisations to develop new and innovative solutions e.g catchment markets Q18 I feel that there could be more weighting or detail on the nature based solutions element as this may be the area which will pick up the mitigation for the more dramatic weather conditions that we are now seeing.	Correct typo and consider if comm	Typo corrected. Additional reference to soil management and winter grazing added in the Measures. It is considered sufficient information regarding nature based solutions and NFM for a Strategy of this type is included. Catchments Markets are still in their very infancy with regard to Council promotion, therefore no further detail added.	We feel it's very important that we move towards the use of nature based solutions and natural flood management to move beyond the limitations and costs of engineered solutions		On a small note - I think there's a typo on page 63 under MCC capital funding " Highways & Flood 0capital budget"	Very pleased to see partnership working and NFM there. In an ideal world we would like to see something along the lines of working with partnership organisations to develop new and innovative solutions e.g catchment markets		I feel that there could be more weighting or detail on the nature based solutions element as this may be the area which will pick up the mitigation for the more dramatic weather conditions that we are now seeing.	
Q8 What is the governance structure and integrity for cross county / country co-ordination - few rivers start and end in the county so this is fundamental to navigate the systemic complexity of flood risk. Q10 It would be good to hear nature-based solutions centred specifically, as land use is the huge driver and solution of flood risk. Q19 Please lean into partnership potential, particularly around the wider implications for land use and nature based solutions, which extend beyond simply flood risk.	Consider need to expand upon cross	No formal governance structure for NFM although this is considered within catchment partnerships and regional working. A specific NFM Measure is included which refers to working with partners and land owners etc. Moving to catchment working and partnerships is a key driver within the Local Strategy.	Increasing occurrence and severity, and lack of long-term nature-based action rather than patching up with technocratic solutions.	What is the governance structure and integrity for cross county / country co-ordination - few rivers start and end in the county so this is fundamental to navigate the systemic complexity of flood risk.	It would be good to hear nature-based solutions centred specifically, as land use is the huge driver and solution of flood risk.			Previous flood events in the local neighbourhood have lacked sufficient data collection around the water dynamics - flood peak, river flow - to draw conclusions to model and chart changes in intensity of flood events. It has been a resident whose been flooded who provided an outline of this information to the flood report process, through monitoring on their property.	Please lean into partnership potential, particularly around the wider implications for land use and nature based solutions, which extend beyond simply flood risk. There is really good local work towards long-term changes that will mitigate flood risk as well as benefit people and nature more widely – especially around new markets for agriculture and green finance. These are proving the value of this approach within catchments in the county. Just one example is https://weuskfoundation.org/our-work/nature-based-solutions/resilient-rivers/
General comments provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments noted.	Time and money wasted on surveys meetings etc instead of action . Obtaining expensive and unnecessary permits to carry out work that needs doing urgently. There needs to be common sense shown when property and life is at risk. FRAPs and ecology reports criteria are far too rigid and hold up essential work and maintenance to help prevent flooding.						

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Q4 Concerns re: flooding on and around Llanellen Bridge, Castle Meadows, and surround infrastructure including the A40. Communications to vulnerable residents when risk of flooding is imminent. Keeping roads clear to Nevill Hall Hospital and The Grange. Q14 Can't comment as not commenced at this time. We are concerned that the basic actions for Abergavenny have not yet started. Can the Town Council be utilised to assist in facilitating any meetings to gather relevant information from the communities affected. Q18 Want to see better preparation of resources to deal with flooding. To work with local community groups such as Friends of Castle Meadows to reinstate reens to help drain flood waters away quickly.	Consider action to liaise with Welsh Gov re: flooding to the A4042 Review other comments in more detail	Q4 Llanellen is a SWTRA & main river issue, awaiting comments from WG on any future proposals. Castle Meadow is natural main river flood plain, any proposals to improve surface water drainage would be private works. A40 flooding is intermittent, SWTRA are the RMA. Q14 Concerns noted, non-statutory works, resource dependent, timeline outlined in Action Plan Q18 Works to reens are not MCC's responsibility, although advice can be offered Comments noted, no changes to content of draft Strategy required.	Concerns re: flooding on and around Llanellen Bridge, Castle Meadows, and surround infrastructure including the A40. Communications to vulnerable residents when risk of flooding is imminent. Keeping roads clear to Nevill Hall Hospital and The Grange.	Clear demarkation of the roles and responsibilities when looking at land owners and organisations with areas of responsibility along the River Usk and surrounding tributaries.		Commencement date for Usk 5, 6, 7, 14 and 15 as per Appendix A action plan.	Can't comment as not commenced at this time. We are concerned that the basic actions for Abergavenny have not yet started. Can the Town Council be utilised to assist in facilitating any meetings to gather relevant information from the communities affected.	Want to see better preparation of resources to deal with flooding. To work with local community groups such as Friends of Castle Meadows to reinstate reens to help drain flood waters away quickly.	
Pandy Mill Q4 possible discrepancies in numbers showing at high risk Q10 Empowering residents and local groups with flood models & scientific info so they can take measures to reduce their flood risk. Q14 suggested actions added Q19 Additional comments for review provided	Review possible discrepancies Review suggested Actions Review additional comments	Q4 - Properties included in CaRR but showing as low risk. Additional detail of catchment topography, flooding mechanisms, historic flooding and 4 new actions added in the Mouton Brook SFRA Flood Action Plan.	here are a number of properties that are in Flood Risk 3 (High Risk) missing from the flood risk documents. In the North (Newchurch/ Itton) Mouton Brook is an ordinary watercourse until Pwllmeryic when it is then classed as a river by NRW. The topography and shape of the upper catchment of Mouton Brook influences surface water runoff, whereby heavy rainfall can result in very rapid runoff and responses from watercourses. Areas of the upper catchment including Itton are at high risk of fluvial and pluvial flooding, with properties having been affected from surface water runoff and ordinary watercourses in the past. In Itton, there have been instances of the Mouton Brook overtopping its banks, flooding adjacent gardens and land. Due to the steep topography and flashy rural nature of the smaller tributaries, there have been instances of small culverts overtopping due to capacity exceedance and blockage throughout the catchment. This has led to localised issues along roads and a small number of properties. Pandy Mills is on the NRW's Flood Risk Assessment Wales (FRAW) map as being High Risk & yet it is not showing on the Communities at Risk Register (CaRR). I have been in contact with NRW to query their methodology as to how we are not on it based on the fact we are in a High Risk area.		Empowering residents and local groups with flood models & scientific info so they can take measures to reduce their flood risk.	Measures need to be catchment wide	MOUNTON 4 - Flood Risk Assessment Undertake a catchment wide assessment of flood risk to identify properties, businesses and infrastructure at greatest risk of flooding from local sources and identify mitigation options. MOUNTON 5 - ITTON/ PANDY MILLS - Identify and review options to reduce known flood risk from local sources. Assess culvert capacity and consider culvert replacement/improvements options at Coppice Mawr/ B4235. MOUNTON 6 - Natural Flood Management Develop and implement previously identified Natural Flood Management options across the Mouton Brook catchments from its sources at Newchurch and discuss with land owners. MOUNTON 7 - Work with NRW/ Woodland Trust/ Wildlife Trust to identify SUDs opportunities to minimise impact of forestry operations on surface water run off.	Need to explain better how climate change is taken into account.	The drains in Myndd Bach and Shirenewton regularly get blocks leading to the roads turning into waterways. This leads to huge amounts of water on the B4235 between Carpenters Arms & Itton Court Rd. This could easily be remedied by encouraging land owners to install swales on their land to slow the flow. The brook that runs on the Wildlife Trust land regularly overtops leading to the brook running down the road also. Surface water run off from Parc Maes Fyyon and the farm above it lead to localised flooding on Itton Court rd & the entrance to White Mill. This massive amount of runoff puts huge pressure on Mouton Brook near the Old saw mill leading to the road flooding at this bridge culvert. There have also been a few instances of the road flooding further down at Pandy Mills at their private road bridge culvert. In November 2024 this event lead to Mouton Brook overtopping the culvert at Coppice Mawr/ B4235 and totally flooding the road making it impassable. Mouton Brook catchment flood model that is available to communities to allow them to use it to plan on how they can reduce their flood risk by working together with neighbours, residents associations & local and owners. Advise on flood model water height and probability. Keep a record of county wide flood mitigation measures and help land owners maintain them. Across the upper Mouton Brook catchment work with the local communities, land owners and resident associations to identify how natural flood management could help communities across the Mouton Brook catchment to slow the flow and help alleviate flooding. Work with NRW to put SUDs onto forestry areas in the area that have been clear felled and not replanted in the last 10 years. Look at the upper catchment and identify the mill ponds, wet woodlands, french drains, swales, culverts, bridge storm pipes, dykes etc that are now so important to slow the flow across the catchment. So much of this historic information from the industrial age of the area is being lost and only observable on old OS maps. Ensure land owners understand their riparian responsibility to maintain banks (when gabion baskets break they need replacing, when trees fall in they need removing & remove obstacles that block the flow of the water (trees/ boulders/ fence panels) & pose as potential obstructions when left in the flood area of the brook. Pandy Mills could effects have a positive effect on the flood risk in the area.

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									Pandy mills could offer to house a monitoring station for relatively little expense as it has very good access & infrastructure to the Mouton Brook. This could work with LoraWAN initiatives in Monmouth and Abergavenny to provide low cost monitoring along the whole of Mouton Brook. Identify, map and risk assess what is currently in place but also look into old OS maps to understand the industrial landscape and what has been removed (sluices, mill ponds) so the function that these important structures and find alternatives if direct replacement isn't possible. Land drainage inspection and improvements to ensure that the current business as usual plan is actually fit for purpose particularly around storm drains & encouraging land owners to install dykes/ swales to slow the flow to the main watercourses. Work transparently and openly with other government agencies particularly where there are communities living next to NRW forestry. Work with highways to divert/ slow run off water on land owners land so that highways don't become rivers i.e.. from Shirenewton encourage more swales information into land practices. Look at Lidar surface water run off and target the land owners for natural flood management plans/ funding. Pandy Mills residents association can help with this. As a community we need MCC to help us to be prepared in the short and long term. Help us set up a local flood action group. Develop a site specific flood risk map/ model and strategy. For the whole of Mouton brook. Ensure that the planned developments above communities in the catchments has sufficient SUDSs in place to help communities down stream not just now but for the next 100 years.
Q14 Surface water / ordinary watercourse flood risk of Mouton brook to properties between mynd Bach and coppice mawr not identified or addressed	Review comments and consider additional Actions	Additional detail of catchment topography, flooding mechanisms, historic flooding and 4 new actions added in the Mouton Brook SFRA Flood Action Plan.					Surface water / ordinary watercourse flood risk of Mouton brook to properties between mynd Bach and coppice mawr not identified or addressed		
Q4 An awful lot of water funnels into the stream that runs past our house, Mouton Brook. In wet weather this gets very full, and has flooded our garage several times, and got very close to our house. Alarminglly, our little hamlet of 5 houses isn't mentioned at all in the report OR in the flood plans - I think we need to be.	Consider adding reference to flooding in this area and possible additional Actions Review all comments in more detail	Additional detail of catchment topography, flooding mechanisms, historic flooding and 4 new actions added in the Mouton Brook SFRA Flood Action Plan.	An awful lot of water funnels into the stream that runs past our house, Mouton Brook. In wet weather this gets very full, and has flooded our garage several times, and got very close to our house. Alarminglly, our little hamlet of 5 houses isn't mentioned at all in the report OR in the flood plans - I think we need to be.		Recognise the flood risk to our hamlet!	The drains in Myndd Bach and Shirenewton regularly get blocked leading to the roads turning into waterways. They need to be cleaned regularly. This leads to huge amounts of water on the B4235 between Carpenters Arms & Itton Court Rd. This could be remedied by encouraging land owners to install swales on their land to slow the flow. Surface water run off from Parc Maes Ffyon and the farm above it lead to localised flooding on Itton Court rd & the entrance to White Mill. This massive amount of runoff puts huge pressure on Mouton Brook near the Old saw mill leading to the road flooding at this bridge culvert. There have also been a few instances of the road flooding further down at Pandy Mills at their private road bridge culvert. In November 2024 this event lead to Mouton Brook overtopping the culvert at Coppice Mawr/ B4235 and totally flooding the road making it impassable. I would like the plan to identify and review	I couldn't find appendix A at all? And I'm not sure the chapter numbers linked in this survey are correct...	Having lived in our house for 10 years, we've noticed that flood events are becoming more frequent and more severe. This is likely to get worse in future.	I'd like you to work with NRW/ Woodland Trust/ Wildlife Trust to identify SUDs opportunities to minimise impact of forestry operations on surface water run off. Loss of tree cover across the B4235 greatly increased the volume of water draining into our brook, for example. Thank you.

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						I would like the plan to testing and consider options to reduce known flood risk from local sources. E.g. Assess culvert capacity and consider culvert replacement/improvements options at Coppice Mawr/ B4235.			
Pandy Mill area - needs further	Review comments and consider additional detail of catchment topography, flooding mechanisms, historic flooding and 4 new actions added in the Mounon Brook SFRA Flood Action Plan.	We live on the Upper Mounon Brook range and our wood gets heavily flooded every winter, this means the houses 50 yards down sometimes get flooded out and were flooded heavily within the last few years. I have video of our driveway in total flood as it comes down off the neighbouring hill - our driveway is higher than our neighbours house. We have spent money on trying to divert water away from their property and into Mountain Brook but that in itself makes life harder for the homes further down. I would happily to host a visit on my ground and to show you just how bad the flooding gets.	Nothing to add	I'm not close enough to it at this stage to provide a more detailed comment	I don't believe our area in the upper Mountain Brook are currently covered, but they certainly need to be		Please include us, happy to meet and discuss why in person, it gets really bad here but more so for my neighbours in Pandy Mill, Itton		
Q4 My main concerns are the plans to build on Rockfield Road and the annual flooding outside the Co op. The local plans do not appear to take account of global warming and the increase of serious storms. I'm also concerned that the drains are not cleared regularly. Q18 The amended long term development plan for Monmouth already does not adequately consider the actual impact of more frequent storms and heavy rainfall.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	A property flood resilience scheme is being completed in 2026 to provide additional resilience to 7 properties in this area. Flood risk is considered by the Replacement Local Development Plan, this takes account of national planning policies relating to flood risk and NRW's Flood Map for Planning which includes climate change predictions. In addition, such developments require SuDS designs to be approved by MCC as the SuDS Approving Body. These SuDS applications must include uplifts for climate change and increased rainfall.	My main concerns are the plans to build on Rockfield Road and the annual flooding outside the Co op. The local plans do not appear to take account of global warming and the increase of serious storms. I'm also concerned that the drains are not cleared regularly.		First 2 objectives should be the focus. All others are secondary.	Link flood risk management and flood management more directly with new/ additional planning applications- extant and future.	No measures will be sufficient unless flood risk and management are directly linked with new build planning proposals and applications.	The amended long term development plan for Monmouth already does not adequately consider the actual impact of more frequent storms and heavy rainfall.	
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Comments noted.	The area that floods will only get worse with new housing developments. Unfortunately, nothing is put in place to resolve the issue and maintenance of drainage including culverts are poor or not fit for purpose.					New flood defences are needed. Using existing infrastructure is not working now so things will only get worse.	
Q8 Use of SMART goals and time based targets/incentives for the roles and responsibilities. Specific trigger points and a more practical breakdown of organisation specific functions, roles and responsibilities would also benefit this strategy and provide more clarity.	Review comments in more detail	Q8:The proposed Actions follow the SMART principles. Q16: Chapter 9 describes funding mechanisms in detail, refers to alliterative sources of funding and provides links to the FCERM Business Case Guidance for further context. Q18: UKCP18 is discussed with links to further information. The timescales and parameters of the proposed Actions are considered to be suitable in the context of this strategy. The strategy does not cover main rivers and sea in detail. Following further review, no additions or amendments considered appropriate	Increased risk of flooding from rivers and sea across, and the operational impact on transport assets & operations. Increased surface water flooding and combination flooding during simultaneous or successive events is also a concern.	Use of SMART goals and time based targets/incentives for the roles and responsibilities. Specific trigger points and a more practical breakdown of organisation specific functions, roles and responsibilities would also benefit this strategy and provide more clarity.	Emphasis on practical adaptation planning; including proactive and educational engagement approaches to local/affected communities to increase buy in and ultimately, encourage wider adoption and implementation of resilience & adaptation measures.		The use of an AEP is a useful indicator for future flood risk, although more emphasis should be placed on the use of MET Office climate projections (UKCP18) for a range of emissions and warming scenarios. This would help to develop a more comprehensive understanding of future risk in short (next 5-10 years), medium (10-30 years) and long terms (40-60 years time). Long term planning should extend to 2080+. This goes for flooding from rivers and sea, surface water, and combination flooding. Including the role of catchment partnerships to co-ordinate management of flood risk from a range of receptors.	As above in 18., longer term planning to account for future emissions and warming scenarios for 2050s, 2080's and 2100. To consider what adaptation planning and strategy can be developed in the near/short term. Use of climate science, projections, and other science based targets to support strategic decision making with respect to managing future flood risk and it's impacts. For 16., perhaps more emphasis required on innovative funding mechanisms and a more detailed explanation of economic appraisal methods for the flood risk reduction measures to be delivered in line with the strategy. This may be, contributions in kind from third parties, innovative ways of working (with communities), and cost avoided/saved from implementing successful measures.	
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	I am concerned that the regular flooding near Nevil Hall hospital will be increased should housing developments be built on the Usk flood plain at Llanwenarth						
Watery Lane (PFR scheme underway) Q4 There is currently no management of the flood risk in my area. I have owned my home for 29 years and during the last 5 years we have been flooded 3 times, we have also suffered some close calls too within the last 5 years	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	No specific location details provided. A property flood resilience scheme is being completed in 2026 to provide additional resilience to 7 properties in this area who have flooded multiple times in recent years.	There is currently no management of the flood risk in my area. I have owned my home for 29 years and during the last 5 years we have been flooded 3 times, we have also suffered some close calls too within the last 5 years. We moved back home after a complete reinstatement of the ground floor just 5 months ago and my biggest fear is that we are likely to flood again. We are taking steps to have flood protection measures installed but feel that even with those in place we are still likely to flood.						

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Q8 A single person or organisation that has CATCHMENT responsibility for flooding. This fractured distributed model of "accountability" doesn't work. Q12 Catchment factors are not discussed. BBNP and POWYS are not mentioned. Climate change, though very real, is not the real issue in the short term. That needs to be addressed, of course.	Review comments in more detail	The responsibilities for flooding are set out in Welsh Government's National Flood Strategy. This Local Strategy refers to catchment based approaches and working with other RMA's and key stakeholders which will include authorities such as BBNP and Powys CC. Following further review, no additions or amendments considered appropriate	Poor analysis, poor action over decades on an increasing problem.	A single person or organisation that has CATCHMENT responsibility for flooding. This fractured distributed model of "accountability" doesn't work.	The elephant in the room is "Land Use". Yes, climate change is an issue, but land use and its changes over the past 30 years are the biggest issue in 2025-2035	Catchment factors are not discussed. BBNP and POWYS are not mentioned. Climate change, though very real, is not the real issue in the short term. That needs to be addressed, of course.	The plan, in its current form, lacks many of the key drivers. It is short-sighted and poorly researched.	Building now, verified models of the future for individual catchments is a must. No one is doing this. Everything that is happening if forecastable and measurable. Model it!	We need some external voices not tied to the usual suspects contributing to this. A community voice would be a great start.
Q4 Concerns with proposed closure of Goldwire Lane as it is used as an alternative route when Wonastow Road floods	Speak to Highways and Cllr Maby re	MCC's Traffic Team have advised as follows: We introduced an experimental prohibition of driving except for access on Goldwire Lane back last year, the intention is to make this permanent before the end on this financial year. The presence of this order wouldn't effect its use in the event of a flooding event on Wonastow Road, as ultimately the access exemption would apply.	That Goldwire Lane is our main exit when the Wonastow Road floods as it did in November 2024 yet Catrin Maby wants to close it permanently for vehicle access. We have repeatedly, and around 222 people filled in your online consultation asked for it not t to be closed mainly for this very reason. Even the Town Council unanimously supported our community in wanting it open at all times because as your very document says the danger of flooding is getting worse. You even use the Wonastow Road photographically to show flooding in our area. So why are MCC contradicting themselves if not to ensure the implementation of the Active Travel Scheme? At the cost of our safety? Surely not?	Your explanations protracted and unyielding to their end.	You need to rethink how you deliver this to the public if you care what they think and you should because this is tax payers money. Most people had no idea this consultation was out.	Needs summarising	Needs summerising	Don't make decisions that impede peoples day to day living when people have to go work to earn a crust. If we don't earn a living then we can not pay our council tax and that will put pay to any fancy policies that cost a fortune to draw up. Common sense in all things should prevail.	Its a shocking misuse of public money. Unbelievably pretracted and what does it all mean? Are you going to wade through (excuse the pun) these documents every time you have an emergency on your hands? It's awful to read. Worse than watching paint dry . Shameful really wasting all that money on this. It's such an important topic yet it's demeaned in its very delivery.Why use one word when you can use 10. Bearocracy gone mad sadly. The point has been completely lost .
Q4 Concerns with lack of maintenance of Angiddy Brook and highway drainage in area. Also management of fishing ponds	Review comments in more detail	A specific action to undertake a catchment study along the Angiddy Valley is included in the Wye Action Plan. Maintenance is the responsibility of riparian owners.	Blocked drains (not cleared). No council maintenance of the Angidy Brook - no removal of fallen trees and large items of debris from within the brook. Inadequate number of drains on the road for rainfall and run-off. Management of water through the valley inadequate especially with regards to the management of the lakes (owned by the angling club) higher up the valley - If during the winter months the lakes were kept relatively empty that would provide more capacity for collecting rainfall and water run-off. No sandbags stored locally or delivered by the council during times of high flood risk. No storm drain at present running under the road to divert from the road surface and direct water back into the Wye. There is an area of the Angidy Brook bank that has no known 'ownership' and is not being maintained at all. This area must be of risk of failure/ collapse and increasing the flood risk in this area. No flood defences on this road.					Install flood prevention strategies that are adequate long-term taking into account projections for the potential impact of limate change.	
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	No one is taking any actions to reduce the risk.						
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Flooding throughout Tintern and damage to property	N/A					
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	The road connecting Shirenewton to Mounon floods in sections, with no runoff or drainage adequate to cope with intense rainfall.		Rural communities are given a higher level of priority when a B road is impassable by foot or vehicle				
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	My garden floods during torrential rain. I have Mill Reen at front of my house and when full the risk is the water will enter my house. My other concern is that I live at the lowest point of Undy sub sewage pump station. The water possibly run off from road, and the fact that the pumping station can not accommodate the volume of houses in the area, as some of the run off enters sewage system. More and more houses are being built but the sewage infrastructure can not serve the demand but nothing is done to improve it! Drains on road not cleaned regularly. I needed to get sandbags to prevent entering house.	Put contact numbers/email	Need action not just talk as nothing seems to change!		Only time will tell if able to deliver .	* Frequent drain clearing on roads * Maintain sea defences	To provide help/advice to prevent individual properties flooding. It is too late to wait to deliver sand bags when in flood situation!
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Flooding near my home during the winter, (Caldicot Country Park)			N/A			NB: This respondent also ticked the box for 'A local business'
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	The road in Mynyddbach pool very deep during prolonged heavy rain. The drainage is not sufficient to cope.						A focus on more rural roads, B roads etc. which often are neglected and prioritised when assessing risk to flooding. NB: No answer was provided to 'Continue to improve understanding of flood risk and the impact of climate change within Monmouthshire' so had to tick 'Neither agree nor disagree' to be able to submit the form.

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None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	The brook next to my property bursts its bank on a regular basis, this is the junction to Mynyddbach. The water runs down the main road like a torrent. I regularly try to unblock the brook from debris, wood, branches and other items washed down during heavy rainfall.	Constant monitoring of known problem areas. Support to alleviate flood water overflowing the brook/stream.					
Q4 Flooding to B4293	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk will be considered as part of the Flood Risk Assessment set out in the SFRA Action Plan.	B4293 - The road outside my property pools very deep. There is no run off, and vehicles are forced into the middle of the carriageway. The rainwater is funnelled into that narrow section of road. This needs addressing and a solution to reduce the continued pooling of flood water.		A more targeted approach to hot spot areas prone to flooding.		Residents who have been prone to flooding are engaged with on a consistent basis.		Views and experiences of residents are core to the draft Local Strategy.
Concerned with flooding in Mill	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	Flood risk will be considered as part of the Flood Risk Assessment set out in the SFRA Action Plan.	I have lived in Mill Street Usk for over 40 years and I believe the flooding from the brook and Olway Brook at the bottom of the street is getting worse coming further up the street each time because when river is in flood the gate cannot open to release water from Olway Brook and overflow stream at bottom of Mill Street - this stream called the Black Ditch this also floods bottom end of Baron Street. Last winter the Olway Brook flooded Priory Gardens which has never happened before.						Having lived in Usk over 70 years I believe that building on flood plains causes major difficulties to surrounding properties and areas. Last winter was the first time apart from 1979 flood that I saw flooding in Priory Garden. Flooding up Mill Street is increasing year on year and with climate change this will get worse unless the flow from Olway Brook and overflow brook is dealt with.
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Neddern overflowing						* Questions 15 and 17 - could not see response so entered 'Neither agree nor disagree' ** Question 16 - could not see response so entered 'Unsure'
None provided.	No comments provided in relation to the content of the strategy that necessitate any changes.	None required.	Lack of drainage in the roads which results in rivers of water coming down the hill after heavy rain. Drains not cleared out so they overflow e.g. right to main bus stop in Gilwern. And owners replacing gardens with carpets.			And are community plans to be introduced and maintained? (Measure 7).			Funding. Are **** available in Monmouthshire? ** Indecipherable - possibly 'grants' or shortened form of 'councillors'. * Some of the handwriting difficult to read so possibility that text inputted here might be incorrect in places.