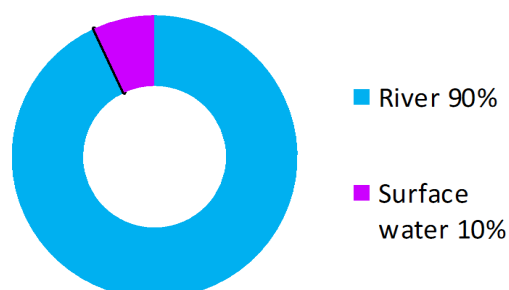


Straiton (Potentially Vulnerable Area 12/16)

| Local Plan District | Local authority | Main catchment |
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| Ayrshire | East Ayrshire Council, South Ayrshire Council | Water of Girvan |

Summary of flooding impacts



At risk of flooding

- 20 residential properties
- <10 non-residential properties
- £45,000 Annual Average Damages

(damages by flood source shown left)

Summary of flooding impacts

Summary of objectives to manage flooding

Objectives have been set by SEPA and agreed with flood risk management authorities. These are the aims for managing local flood risk. The objectives have been grouped in three main ways: by reducing risk, avoiding increasing risk or accepting risk by maintaining current levels of management.

Many organisations, such as Scottish Water and energy companies, actively maintain and manage their own assets including their risk from flooding. Where known, these actions are described here. Scottish Natural Heritage and Historic Environment Scotland work with site owners to manage flooding where appropriate at designated environmental and/or cultural heritage sites. These actions are not detailed further in the Flood Risk Management Strategies.

Objectives

Summary of actions to manage flooding

The actions below have been selected to manage flood risk.

| <i>Flood protection scheme/works</i> | <i>Natural flood management works</i> | <i>New flood warning</i> | <i>Community flood action groups</i> | <i>Property level protection scheme</i> | <i>Site protection plans</i> |
|---|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| <i>Flood protection study</i> | <i>Natural flood management study</i> | <i>Maintain flood warning</i> | Awareness raising | <i>Surface water plan/study</i> | Emergency plans/response |
| <i>Maintain flood protection scheme</i> | <i>Strategic mapping and modelling</i> | Flood forecasting | Self help | Maintenance | Planning policies |

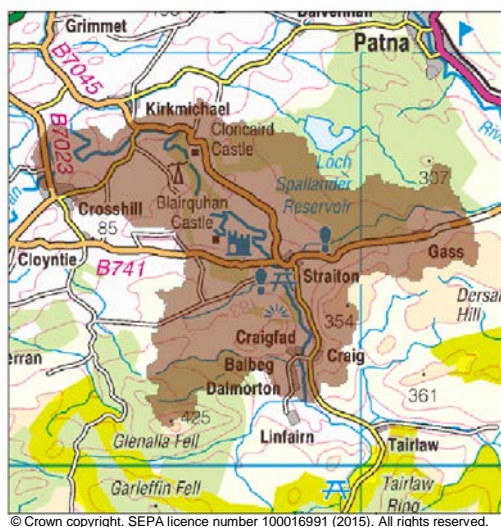
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Background

This Potentially Vulnerable Area is located to the south east of the Ayrshire Local Plan District and is centred around the village of Straiton and Blairquhan Castle (shown below). It is approximately 40km².



The area has a risk of river and surface water flooding. The majority of damages are caused by river flooding.

There are approximately 20 residential properties at risk of flooding. The Annual Average Damages are approximately £45,000.

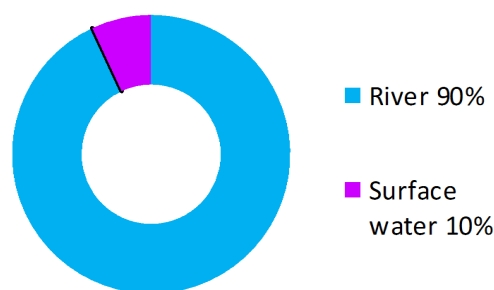


Figure 1: Annual Average Damages by flood source

Summary of flooding impacts

River flooding in this area is primarily attributed to the Water of Girvan. It flows in a north westerly direction through the village of Straiton where there is a predicted risk to residential properties and road infrastructure. Additionally, there are historical reports of the bridge at Fowlers Croft silting and causing a blockage problem.

Surface water flooding is likely to occur on low lying agricultural land adjacent to the Water of Girvan.

Within this Potentially Vulnerable Area it is estimated that climate change will increase the number of residential properties at risk of flooding from approximately 20 to 30.

The risk of flooding to people and property, as well as to community facilities, utilities, the transport network, designated sites and agricultural land is summarised in Table 1. The damages associated with floods of different likelihood are shown in Figure 2. Residential properties affected by river flooding experience the highest economic impact at approximately 40% of the damages. Roads infrastructure also provides a notable portion of the damages.

The location of the impacts of flooding is shown in Figure 3. Most of the impacts are within Straiton with flooding to people, non-residential properties, utilities and roads.

| | 1 in 10 High likelihood | 1 in 200 Medium likelihood | 1 in 1000 Low likelihood |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Residential properties (total 300) | <10 | 20 | 30 |
| Non-residential properties (total 40) | <10 | <10 | <10 |
| People | <10 | 30 | 60 |
| Community facilities | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Utilities assets | 0 | <10 | <10 |
| Transport links - roads (km) | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Environmental designated areas (km ²) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Designated cultural heritage sites | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Agricultural land (km ²) | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.8 |

Table 1: Summary of flooding impacts¹

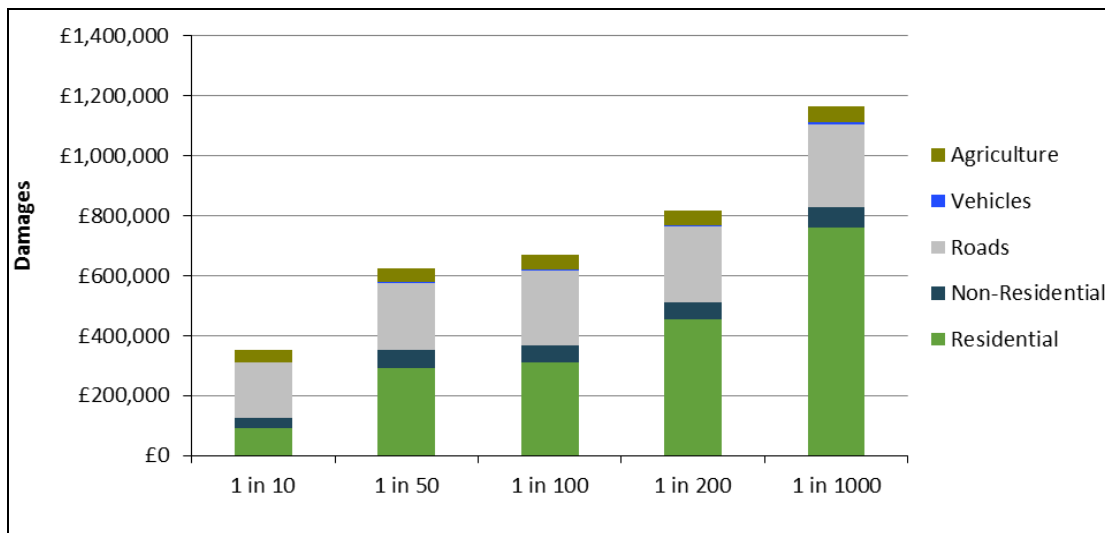


Figure 2: Damages by flood likelihood

¹ Some receptors are counted more than once if flooded from multiple sources

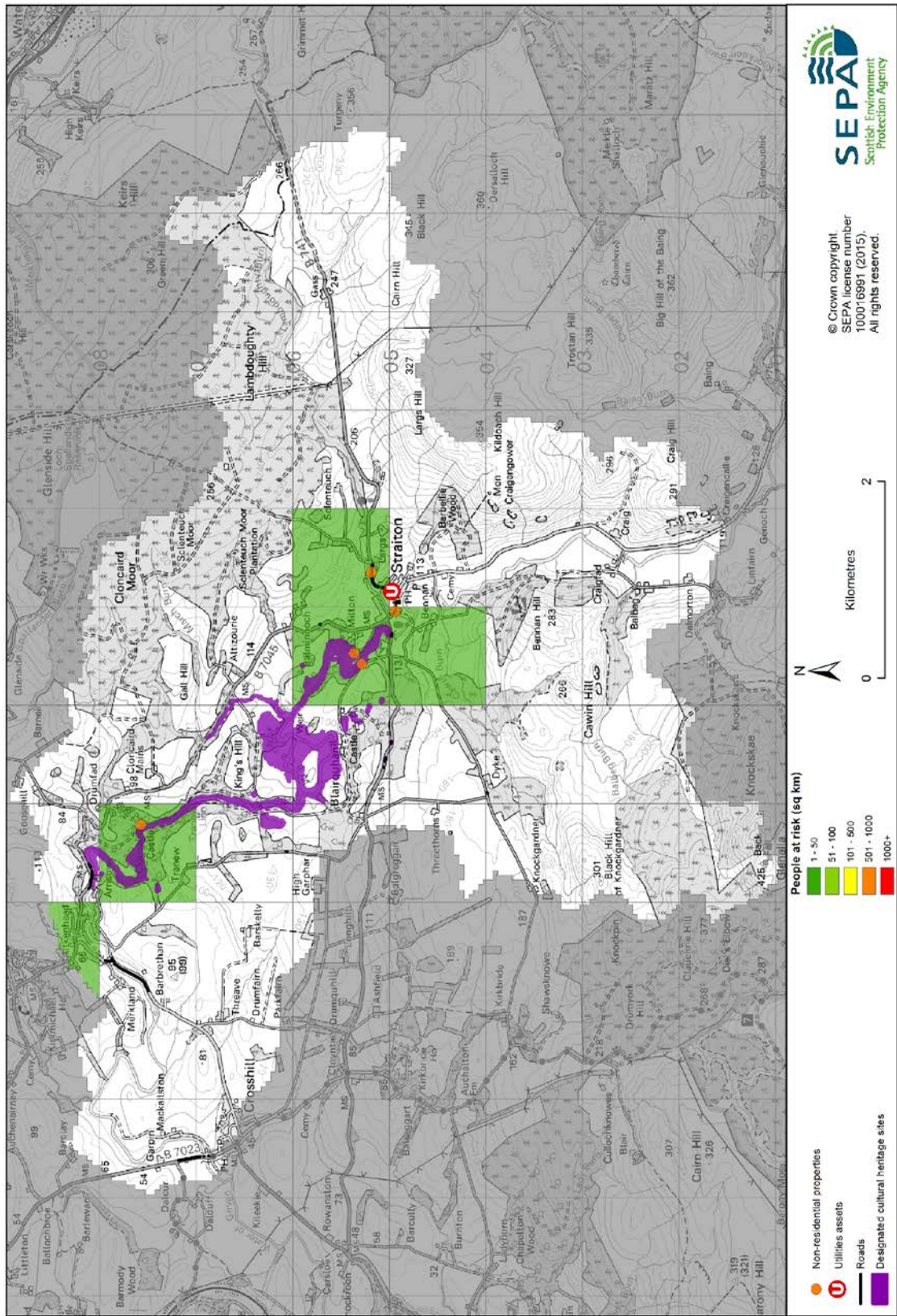


Figure 3: Impacts of flooding

History of flooding

There is a limited recorded flood history within the area. All incidents relate to river flooding or drainage issues. The Crosshill area in particular has been subject to river flooding which has originated from the Water of Girvan. These floods, which were reported between January 1869 and August 2008, have impacted local roads, gardens and some properties.

Objectives to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 12/16

Objectives provide a common goal and shared ambition for managing floods. These objectives have been set by SEPA and agreed with flood risk management authorities following consultation. They were identified through an assessment of the underlying evidence of the causes and impacts of flooding. Target areas have been set to focus actions; they do not necessarily correspond to areas at risk in SEPA's flood map. The objectives below have been set for Straiton Potentially Vulnerable Area.

| Target area | Objective | ID | Indicators within PVA |
|---|---|-------|---|
| Applies across Ayrshire Local Plan District | Avoid an overall increase in flood risk | 12039 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 residential properties • £45,000 Annual Average Damages |
| Applies across Ayrshire Local Plan District | Reduce overall flood risk | 12082 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 residential properties • £45,000 Annual Average Damages |
| Applies across Ayrshire Local Plan District | Organisations such as Scottish Water, energy companies and Historic Environment Scotland actively maintain and manage their own assets, including the risk of flooding. These actions are not detailed further in the Flood Risk Management Strategies. | | |

Actions to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 12/16

Actions describe where and how flood risk will be managed. These actions have been set by SEPA and agreed with flood risk management authorities following consultation. Selection of actions to deliver the agreed objectives was based on a detailed assessment and comparison of economic, social and environmental criteria. The actions shaded and then described below have been selected as the most appropriate for Straiton Potentially Vulnerable Area.

| Selected actions | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| <i>Flood protection scheme/works</i> | <i>Natural flood management works</i> | <i>New flood warning</i> | <i>Community flood action groups</i> | <i>Property level protection scheme</i> | <i>Site protection plans</i> |
| <i>Flood protection study</i> | <i>Natural flood management study</i> | <i>Maintain flood warning</i> | Awareness raising | <i>Surface water plan/study</i> | Emergency plans/response |
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| Action (ID): | FLOOD FORECASTING (120820009) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | SEPA | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | The Scottish Flood Forecasting Service is a joint initiative between SEPA and the Met Office that produces daily, national flood guidance statements which are issued to Category 1 and 2 Responders. The service also provides information which allows SEPA to issue flood warnings, giving people a better chance of reducing the impact of flooding on their home or business. For more information please visit SEPA's website. | | |

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| Action (ID): | SELF HELP (120820011) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | — | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | Everyone is responsible for protecting themselves and their property from flooding. Property and business owners can take simple steps to reduce damage and disruption to their homes and businesses should flooding happen. This includes preparing a flood plan and flood kit, installing property level protection, signing up to Floodline and Resilient Communities initiatives, and ensuring that properties and businesses are insured against flood damage. | | |

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| Action (ID): | AWARENESS RAISING (120820013) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | Responsible authorities | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | SEPA and the responsible authorities have a duty to raise public awareness of flood risk. Improved awareness of flood risk and actions that prepare individuals, homes and businesses for flooding can reduce the overall impact. From 2016 SEPA will engage with the community through local participation in national initiatives, including partnership working with Neighbourhood Watch Scotland. In addition, SEPA will engage with local authorities and community resilience groups where possible. Local authorities will be undertaking additional awareness raising activities. Further details will be set out in the Local FRM Plan. | | |

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| Action (ID): | MAINTENANCE (120820007) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | Local authorities, asset / land managers | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | Local authorities have a duty to assess watercourses and carry out clearance and repair works where such works would substantially reduce flood risk. They produce schedules of clearance and repair works and make these available for public inspection. Scottish Water undertake inspection and repair on the public sewer network. Asset owners and riparian landowners are responsible for the maintenance and management of their own assets including those which help to reduce flood risk. | | |

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| Action (ID): | EMERGENCY PLANS/RESPONSE (120820014) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | Category 1 and 2 Responders | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | <p>Providing an emergency response to flooding is the responsibility of many organisations, including local authorities, the emergency services and SEPA. Effective management of an emergency response relies on emergency plans that are prepared under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 by Category 1 and 2 Responders. The emergency response by these organisations is co-ordinated through regional and local resilience partnerships. This response may be supported by the work of voluntary organisations.</p> | | |

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| Action (ID): | PLANNING POLICIES (120390001) | | |
| Objective (ID): | Avoid an overall increase in flood risk (12039) Reduce overall flood risk (12082) | | |
| Delivery lead: | Planning authority | | |
| Status: | Existing | Indicative delivery: | Ongoing |
| Description: | <p>Scottish Planning Policy and accompanying Planning Advice Notes set out Scottish Ministers' priorities for the operation of the planning system and for the development and use of land. In terms of flood risk management, the policy supports a catchment-scale approach to sustainable flood risk management and aims to build the resilience of our cities and towns, encourage sustainable land management in our rural areas, and to address the long-term vulnerability of parts of our coasts and islands. Under this approach, new development in areas with medium to high likelihood of flooding should be avoided. For further information on the application of national planning policies see Annex 2.</p> | | |