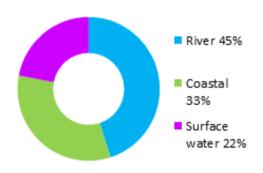
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#### Summary of flooding impacts



#### At risk of flooding

- 80 residential properties
- 20 non-residential properties
- £180,000 Annual Average Damages

(damages by flood source shown left)

### 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.

#### Summary of actions to manage flooding

The actions below have been selected to manage flood risk.

Flood protection scheme/works	Natural flood management works	New flood warning	Community flood action groups	Property level protection scheme	Site protection plans
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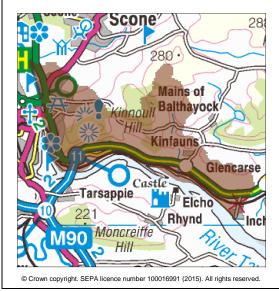
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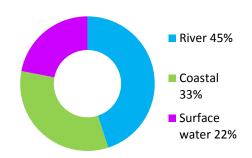
## **Background**

This Potentially Vulnerable Area is 14km² and part of the River Tay catchment (shown below). It is situated on the eastern bank at the mouth of the River Tay where it flows into the Firth of Tay and includes the eastern side of Perth, Kinfauns and Inchyra. The interaction between river and coastal flooding where the River Tay meets the Firth of Tay influences flooding in Perth.



The area has a risk of river, coastal and surface water flooding. The majority of damages occur as a result of river flooding.

There are approximately 80 residential properties and 20 non-residential properties at risk of flooding. The Annual Average Damages are approximately £180,000.



**Figure 1:** Annual Average Damages by flood source

### Summary of flooding impacts

It should be noted that Perth Flood Protection Scheme reduces the risk of river and coastal flooding in Perth.

The highest risk of flooding is in the eastern side of Perth from surface water flooding. 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. For this Potentially Vulnerable Area the highest damages are to residential properties followed by damages to roads, notably the M90/A90. The location of the impacts of flooding is shown in Figure 3.

The figures presented for Annual Average Damages include damages to residential properties, non-residential properties, transport and agriculture.

The risk of flooding to utilities in Table 1 does not include Scottish Water data. Scottish Water undertook a national assessment of above ground assets at medium likelihood of flooding (including water treatment works, wastewater treatment works and pumping stations). Within this Potentially Vulnerable Area there is one asset identified as being at risk of flooding.

	1 in 10	1 in 200	1 in 1000
	High likelihood	Medium likelihood	Low likelihood
Residential			
properties	<10	80	90
(total 1,800) Non-residential			
properties	10	20	30
(total 300)	10	20	30
People	20	170	190
Community facilities	0	0	0
<b>Utilities assets</b>	0	<10	<10
	1 M road (M90),	1 M road (M90),	1 M road (M90),
	4 B roads at	4 B roads at	4 B roads at
Transport links (excluding	37 locations	43 locations	57 locations
minor roads)	1 Railway route at 20	1 Railway route at	1 Railway route at
	locations:	32 locations:	34 locations:
	Dundee to Dunblane	Dundee to Dunblane	Dundee to Dunblane
Environmental			
designated	0.3	0.3	0.3
areas (km²)			
Designated	0	0	4
cultural heritage sites	3	3	4
Agricultural			
land (km²)	0.6	0.7	0.7

Table 1: Summary of flooding impacts

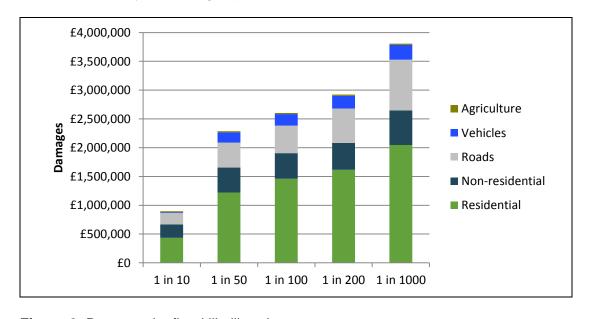


Figure 2: Damages by flood likelihood

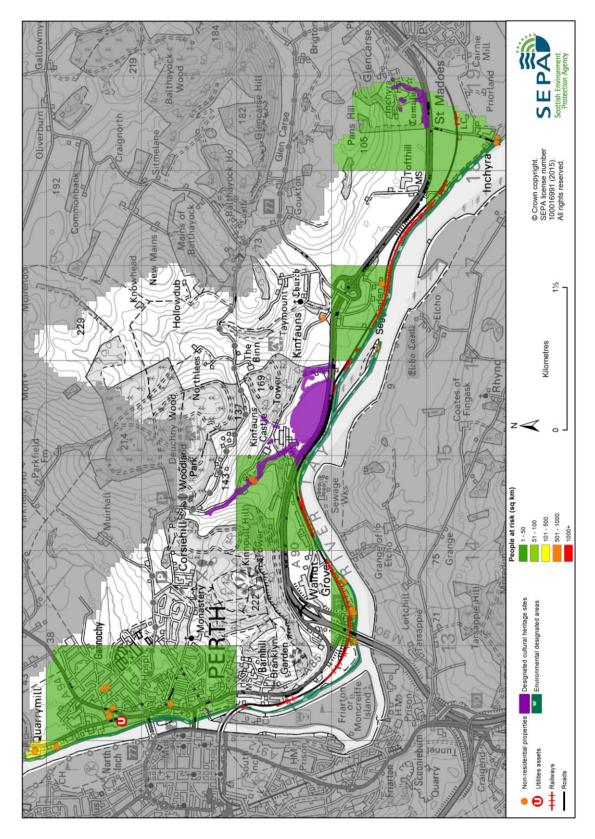


Figure 3: Impacts of flooding

### **History of flooding**

Perth has a long history of flooding from the River Tay and surface water. A number of river floods may have had tidal influences. The following floods have been recorded in this area:

- July 2012: The Langley Burn flooded at Kinfauns.
- 16 July 2011: Heavy rain caused surface water flooding in Perth. Homes and businesses were affected.
- 21 July 2010: Extensive surface water flooding around Perth affecting properties and roads.
- December 2006: Surface water flooding around Bridgend Court from heavy rain and overwhelmed drains.
- 16 January 1993: Widespread flooding resulted in damage to communication networks, hundreds of properties and farmland in and around Perth, causing an estimated £20 million of damage. Residents were evacuated in the North Muirton housing estate after flood defences were breached.
- 7 February 1990: Following a period of heavy rain and snowfall, widespread flooding affected the whole of the Tay catchment. Properties, roads and railways were damaged. The water level at Smeaton's Bridge in Perth was recorded as 5.85m above ordinary levels.
- 17 February 1950: Flooding within Perth on several roads including Tay Street, North and South Inches, the junction of Scott Street and Marshall Street, Moncrieffe Island, Commercial Street (Bridgend) and James Street. Telephone cables damaged outside Perth and properties flooded.
- February 1928: Residents of several farms in Muirton had to be rescued as roads became impassable.
- 31 January 1903: Nearly all cellars in Perth flooded after heavy rains and strong gales, including North and South Inches, Rose Terrace, North Port, Lower Commercial Street, Princes Street, Nelson Street, Scott Street, James Street, King Street, Edinburgh Road and Marshall Place. Many roads impassable.
- 2 October 1847: Flooding from the River Tay affected Perth, Dunkeld, Dalguise and Dalmarnock. Many residents were evacuated and there were reports of cattle being swept away in flood waters. The water level at Perth Bridge was estimated to be 6.11m above ordinary levels.
- 12 February 1814: Blocks of ice on the River Tay caused bridges to become blocked resulting in widespread flooding to the Perth region. North and South Inch were submerged for two days. An estimated flood height of 7.0m above ordinary levels was recorded on the River Tay.
- 14 February 1774: Snow and ice melt caused widespread flooding from the River Almond and River Tay to Perth and the surrounding area.
- 12-14 October 1621: Constant heavy rain over a two day period caused flooding from the River Tay. Residents were evacuated from numerous properties and severe damage was caused to Milne's Bridge. Perth was surrounded by water for 5-6 days after the event.

### Objectives to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 08/12

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 Perth to Kinfauns (north of A90) Potentially Vulnerable Area.

Accept that significant flood risk in Perth is managed appropriately. Maintain existing actions that reduce flood risk in Perth caused by flooding from the River Tay and coastal flooding.

#### Indicators:

#### Target area:

- 150 residential properties protected
- 350 non-residential properties protected
- £28 million damages avoided

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Objective ID: 8026

Target area	Objective	ID	Indicators within PVA
Perth	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Perth where practical	8024	* See note below
Applies across Tay Local Plan District	Avoid an overall increase in flood risk	8001	<ul><li>80 residential properties</li><li>£180,000 Annual Average Damages</li></ul>
Applies across Tay Local Plan District	Reduce overall flood risk	8041	<ul><li>80 residential properties</li><li>£180,000 Annual Average Damages</li></ul>
Applies across Tay 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.		

<sup>\*</sup> This objective will be monitored using surface water flood risk across the Potentially Vulnerable Area. For 08/12 there are <10 residential properties at risk and Annual Average Damages of £39,000.

## Actions to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 08/12

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 Perth to Kinfauns (north of A90) Potentially Vulnerable Area.

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

Action (ID):	FLOOD PROTECTION SCHEME/WORKS (80240006)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Perth where practical (8024)		
Delivery lead:	Perth and Kinross Counc	il	
Status:	Under development	Indicative delivery:	2016-2021
Description:	Flood protection works have been proposed at Bridgend in Perth to deal with surface water flooding. The works will include a high capacity drainage channel and outfall to the River Tay.		
	Potentia	al impacts	
Economic:	The economic impacts have not been defined at this stage.		
Social:	A reduction in flood risk would have a positive benefit to the health and wellbeing of the community. There may be negative impacts through disturbance to the local community during the construction phase.		
Environmental:	Flood protection schemes can have both positive and negative impacts on the ecological quality of the environment depending on how they are designed.		

Action (ID):	SURFACE WATER PLAN/STUDY (80240018)
Objective (ID):	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Perth where practical (8024)
Delivery lead:	Perth and Kinross Council

Status:	Not started	Indicative delivery:	2016-2027
Description.	The area must be covered by a surface water management plan or plans that set objectives for the management of surface water flood risk and identify the most sustainable actions to achieve the		

Action (ID):	SURFACE WATER PLAN/STUDY (80240019)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Perth where practical (8024)		
Delivery lead:	Scottish Water in partnership with local authorities		
Status:	Ongoing Indicative delivery: 2016-2027		
Description:	An integrated catchment study will be carried out to support the surface water management plan process and improve knowledge and understanding of surface water flood risk and interactions with other sources of flooding e.g. with the sewer network, watercourses and the sea.		

Action (ID):	STRATEGIC MAPPING AND MODELLING (80410019)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	Scottish Water		
Status:	Not started	Indicative delivery:	2016-2021
Description:	Scottish Water will review the assessment of flood risk within the highest risk sewer catchments to improve knowledge and understanding of surface water flood risk.		

Action (ID):	MAINTAIN FLOOD PROTECTION SCHEME (80260017)		
Objective (ID):	Accept that significant flood risk in Perth is managed appropriately.  Maintain existing actions that reduce flood risk in Perth caused by flooding from the River Tay and coastal flooding. (8026)		
Delivery lead:	Perth and Kinross Council		
Status:	Existing	Indicative delivery:	Ongoing
Description:	Continue to maintain the existing Perth Flood Protection Scheme along the east bank of the River Tay. The scheme was completed in 2002 and includes major flood defence works such as embankments, walls, sluice gates, ponds and pumping stations.		

Action (ID):	MAINTAIN FLOOD WARNING (80410030)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	SEPA		
Status:	Existing	Indicative delivery:	Ongoing
Description:	Continue to maintain the Basement Properties from North Inch to Friarton Bridge flood warning area which is part of the Tay river flood warning scheme.		

Action (ID):	FLOOD FORECASTING	(80410009)	
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
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.		

Action (ID):	<b>SELF HELP</b> (80410011)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	<del>-</del>		
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.		

Action (ID):	AWARENESS RAISING	(80410013)	
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk	(8041)	
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.		

Action (ID):	MAINTENANCE (80410007)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	Perth and Kinross Council, 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.		

Action (ID):	EMERGENCY PLANS/RESPONSE (80410014)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	Category 1 and 2 Responders		
Status:	Existing	Indicative delivery:	Ongoing
Description:	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.		

Action (ID):	PLANNING POLICIES (80010001)		
Objective (ID):	Avoid an overall increase in flood risk (8001)		
	Reduce overall flood risk (8041)		
Delivery lead:	Planning authority		
Status:	Existing	Indicative delivery:	Ongoing
Description:	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.		