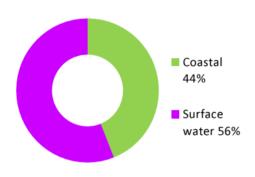
# **Granton (Potentially Vulnerable Area 10/17)**

Local Plan District	Local authority	Main catchment
Forth Estuary	The City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh coastal
	Council	

## **Summary of flooding impacts**



#### At risk of flooding

- · 290 residential properties
- 60 non-residential properties
- £280,000 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.

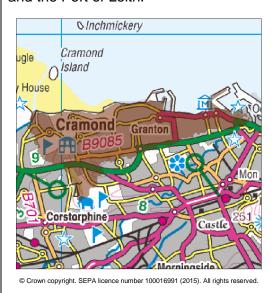
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Flood protection study	Natural flood management study	Maintain flood warning	Awareness raising	Surface water plan/study	Emergency plans/response
Maintain flood protection scheme	Strategic mapping and modelling	Flood forecasting	Self help	Maintenance	Planning policies

# Granton (Potentially Vulnerable Area 10/17)

Local Plan District	Local authority	Main catchment
Forth Estuary	The City of Edinburgh Council	Edinburgh coastal

### **Background**

This Potentially Vulnerable Area is 13km² and is part of the Almond and Edinburgh catchment group (shown below). This is a small, urbanised coastal area in the north of Edinburgh containing the suburbs of Silverknowes, Muirhouse, Granton, eastern Cramond and the Port of Leith.



The area has a risk of coastal and surface water flooding. The majority of damages in this Potentially Vulnerable Area are caused by surface water flooding.

There are approximately 290 residential properties and 60 non-residential properties at risk of flooding.

The Annual Average Damages are approximately £280,000.

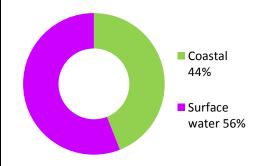


Figure 1: Annual Average Damages by flood source

#### Summary of flooding impacts

The highest risk of surface water flooding is to Granton and Muirhouse.

The risk of flooding to people, property, 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 non-residential properties. 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.

	1 in 10	1 in 200	1 in 1000
	High likelihood	Medium likelihood	Low likelihood
Residential properties (total 2,400)	10	290	360
Non-residential properties (total 1,100)	<10	60	80
People	30	630	800
Community facilities	0	<10 Educational buildings	<10 Educational buildings
Utilities	<10	20	30
Transport links (excluding minor roads)	2 A roads, 1 B road at 10 locations	3 A roads, 1 B road at 31 locations	3 A roads, 1 B road at 38 locations
Environmental designated areas (km²)	0.3	0.3	0.3
Designated cultural heritage sites	2	4	4
Agricultural land (km²)	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01

Table 1: Summary of flooding impacts

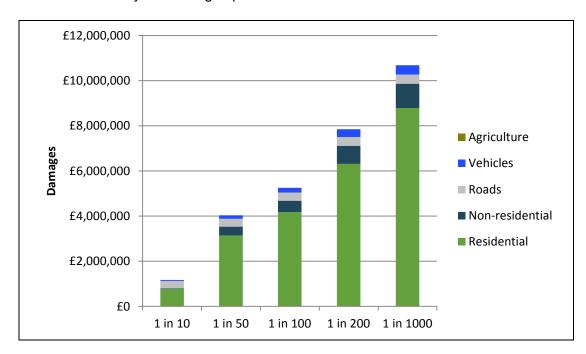


Figure 2: Damages by flood likelihood

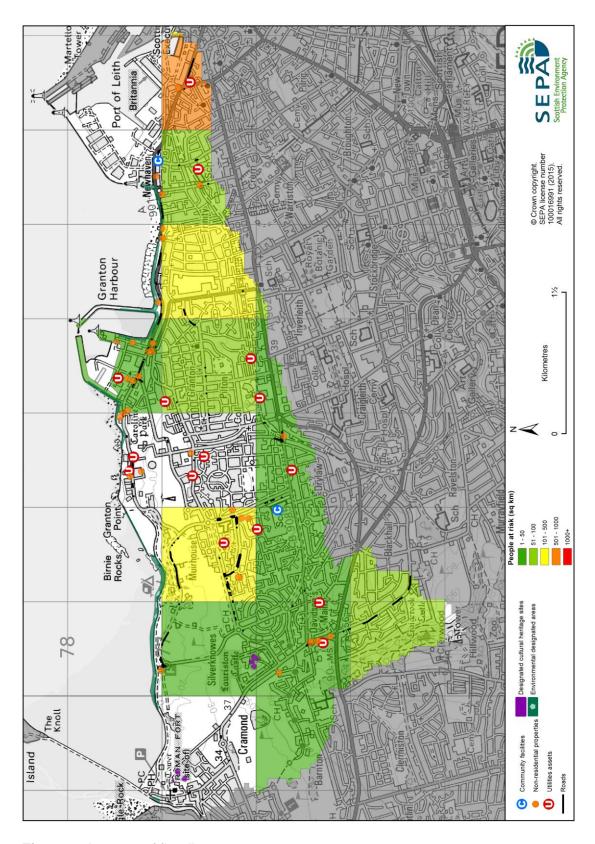


Figure 3: Impacts of flooding

# History of flooding

The following significant floods have been recorded in this area:

- 30 March 2010: A tidal surge coinciding with the highest mean tides of the year caused extensive flooding along the east coast of Scotland, with the Firth of Forth being one of the worst affected areas. Many locations were affected included Leith, Musselburgh, Prestonpans, Port Seton, Dunbar and North Berwick. Impacts included flooding of properties, damage to harbours, seawalls and roads. The City of Edinburgh Council estimated the costs of repair to be in the region of £650,000.
- 17 October 1898: Newhaven Pier in Edinburgh washed away as a result of coastal flooding.

### Objectives to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 10/17

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 Granton Potentially Vulnerable Area.

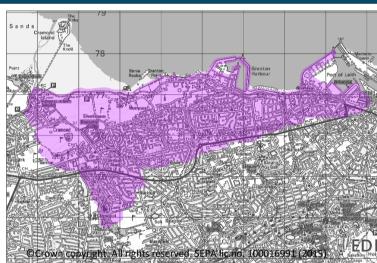
Accept coastal flooding in Cramond, Silverknowes and Granton is managed appropriately. Maintain existing actions that protect residential and non-residential properties from coastal flooding.

#### Indicators:

### £79,000 Annual Average Damages from residential properties

• £14,000 Annual Average Damages from non-residential properties

Target area:



Objective ID: 10095

Target area	Objective	ID	Indicators within PVA
Edinburgh, Musselburgh, Penicuik, Lasswade, Loanhead, Newtongrange and Dalkeith	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Edinburgh, Musselburgh, Penicuik, Lasswade, Loanhead, Newtongrange and Dalkeith where practical	10052	* See note below
Applies across Forth Estuary Local Plan District	Avoid an overall increase in flood risk	10001	<ul><li>290 residential properties</li><li>£280,000 Annual Average Damages</li></ul>
Applies across Forth Estuary Local Plan District	Reduce overall flood risk	10099	<ul><li>290 residential properties</li><li>£280,000 Annual Average Damages</li></ul>
Applies across Forth Estuary 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.		

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  This objective will be monitored using surface water flood risk across the Potentially Vulnerable Area. For 10/17 there are 280 residential properties at risk and Annual Average Damages of £150,000.

# Actions to manage flooding in Potentially Vulnerable Area 10/17

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 Granton Potentially Vulnerable Area.

Selected acti	ons				
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
	Strategic				

Action (ID):	FLOOD PROTECTION S	STUDY (1	00950005)	
Objective (ID):	Accept coastal flooding in Cramond, Silverknowes and Granton is managed appropriately. Maintain existing actions that protect residential and non-residential properties from coastal flooding. (10095)			
Delivery lead:	The City of Edinburgh Co	ouncil		
Priority:	National:		Withir	n local authority:
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Status:	Not started	Indicative	delivery:	2016-2021
Description:	A study should be undertaken of siltation in the Water of Leith basin in conjunction with the operation of the docks.			
	Potentia	al impacts	5	
Economic:	The economic impacts have not been defined at this stage.			
Social:	The social impacts will depend on the outcome of the study and recommended actions.			
Environmental:	Flood protection studies should consider the positive and negative impacts of proposed actions on the ecological quality of the environment and designated sites. Where possible opportunities to enhance and restore the environment should be sought, for example through natural flood management. The Water of Leith (water body ID 3700) is located within the study area and the physical condition of this river is identified by SEPA to be at less than good status. Opportunities to improve the condition of the river should be considered by coordinating with river basin management planning.			

Environmental:	To be in accord with the FRM Strategy, the responsible authority should seek to ensure as part of the study that the action will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the Firth of Forth Special
	Protection Area and Imperial Dock Loch Leith Special Protection Area.

Action (ID):	SURFACE WATER PLAN/STUDY (100520018)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Edinburgh, Musselburgh, Penicuik, Lasswade, Loanhead, Newtongrange and Dalkeith where practical (10052)			
Delivery lead:	The City of Edinburgh Council, Midlothian Council, East Lothian			
Status:	Not started	Indicative delivery:	2016-2021	
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 objectives.			

Action (ID):	SURFACE WATER PLAN/STUDY (100520019)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce economic damages and number of residential properties at risk of surface water flooding in Edinburgh, Musselburgh, Penicuik, Lasswade, Loanhead, Newtongrange and Dalkeith where practical (10052)			
Delivery lead:	Scottish Water in partnership with local authorities			
Status:	Ongoing	Indicative delivery:	2016-2021	
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 (100990016)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)			
Delivery lead:	SEPA			
Status:	Not started	Indicative delivery:	2016-2021	
Description:	SEPA will seek to develop flood mapping in the Dunbar to Stirling area to improve understanding of coastal flood risk. The extent and timing of improvements will depend on detailed scoping and data availability. Where this work coincides with local authority studies, SEPA will work collaboratively to ensure consistent modelling approaches are applied.			

Action (ID):	STRATEGIC MAPPING AND MODELLING (100990019)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)			
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 (100950017)			
Objective (ID):	Accept coastal flooding in Cramond, Silverknowes and Granton is managed appropriately. Maintain existing actions that protect residential and non-residential properties from coastal flooding. (10095)			
Delivery lead:	The City of Edinburgh Council			
Status:	Existing Indicative delivery: Ongoing			
Description:	Continue to maintain the existing rock armour, concrete and masonry walls and revetments along the coast in Cramond, Silverknowes and Granton.			

Action (ID):	MAINTAIN FLOOD WARNING (100990030)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)			
Delivery lead:	SEPA			
Status:	Existing Indicative delivery: Ongoing			
Description:	Continue to maintain the Granton and Leith flood warning area which is part of the Firth of Forth and Tay coastal flood warning scheme.			

Action (ID):	FLOOD FORECASTING	(100990009)	
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk	(10099)	
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> (100990011)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)		
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	(100990013)	
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)		
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 and promote Floodline. This will be achieved through increased media awareness and partnership project working.  Local authorities will be undertaking additional awareness raising activities. Further details will be set out in the Local FRM Plan.		

Action (ID):	MAINTENANCE (100990007)		
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)		
Delivery lead:	The City of Edinburgh 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 (100990014)			
Objective (ID):	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)			
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.  The City of Edinburgh Council operates Emergency Action Packs to determine where people should be deployed during flood events.			

Action (ID):	PLANNING POLICIES (100010001)				
Objective (ID):	Avoid an overall increase in flood risk (10001)				
	Reduce overall flood risk	Reduce overall flood risk (10099)			
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.				