

Memorandum

- Our Ref: Lambeth SFRA update 1_v2
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Subject: Lambeth SFRA Update 1 (December 2013) - Statement on Thames Tidal Breach Modelling presented in the London Borough of Lambeth Strategic Flood Risk Assessment

1. LAMBETH SFRA UPDATE 1 (DECEMBER 2013)

Following completion of the Lambeth Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (March 2013), the London Borough of Lambeth has been made aware of known errors within the Environment Agency Thames Tidal Breach Modelling (2011) presented within the Lambeth Strategic Flood Risk Assessment. The errors have been identified within an isolated area around Waterloo Station and therefore breach modelling results in this area have associated potential limitations.

The Environment Agency has confirmed that despite the errors, the breach modelling is considered the best available data with regards to quantification of residual flood risk from the River Thames in the event of a breach of the Thames Tidal Flood Defences.

Individuals or organisations looking to utilise the breach modelling results to inform the residual flood risk to a site or proposed development in the highlighted area should in the first instance consult the London Borough of Lambeth Planning Policy Team in order to confirm whether there has been any further update on this matter. The Planning Policy Team can be contacted using the details below:

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Any errors in the Thames Tidal Breach Modelling do not in any way impact on the Environment Agency Flood Zones as defined by their Flood Maps, which are available at: http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/37837.aspx.