

## Investigating after a flood

We carry out post-incident reviews of flooding incidents that we're made aware of. This review determines the likely cause of the flooding and its effects. If a flood event is deemed to have had a significant consequence, then a formal investigation of the flooding incident takes place.

A flood event with significant consequences is one that has had one or more of the following impacts:

- Resulted in major disruption to the flow of traffic.
- Posed, or could have posed, a risk to human health.
- Adversely affected the functioning of critical infrastructure.
- Caused harmful impacts to environmentally and socially important assets.
- Caused internal flooding to a residential or commercial property.

**Please note** timescales of post-incident reviews are subject to the scale of incidents being investigated. Internal flooding does not include the flooding of gardens and garages, only properties where internal flooding is above threshold level. We do not have a duty to protect homes from surface water flooding but have powers to pursue works, if deemed appropriate and feasible to do so.

### Published investigation results

As a Lead Local Flood Authority, we have a duty under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 to investigate, where appropriate, flood events that occur within our boundaries.

As detailed within our Local Flood Risk Management Strategy, we'll carry out investigations following flood events to establish the cause and where appropriate notify the responsible Risk Management Authority.

Where an investigation has been carried out in accordance with section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, a Flood Investigation Report will be produced. Hard copies are available on request by emailing [floodrisk@warrington.gov.uk](mailto:floodrisk@warrington.gov.uk) or by contacting us on 01925 44 2534.

A list of available reports is given below.

Reference number	Report title	Flood event date	Report date
LD2012/001	Lewis Avenue, Dallam	22/06/2012	Sep 2012
LD2012/002	Chester Road, Walton	25/08/2012	Nov 2012
LD2012/003	Densham Avenue area, Longford	24/09/2012	Dec 2012
LD2012/004	Underbridge Lane, Higher Walton	26/08/2012	Nov 2012
LD2012/005	Camsley Lane, Lymm	29/08/2012	Oct 2012
LD2012/006	Cromwell Avenue, Callands	24/09/2012	Nov 2012
LD2012/007	Tomlinson Avenue Area, Longford	24/09/2012	Dec 2012
LD2012/008	Heath Lane, Croft	24/09/2012	Nov 2012
LD2012/001	Longshaw Street, Charter Avenue & Southworth	24/09/2012	Dec 2012

	Avenue		
LD2012/001	Widnes Road, Penketh	24/09/2012	Dec 2012
LD2012/001	Hall Nook, Penketh	24/09/2012	Dec 2012

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