

RICS Flooding Conference 2012

Flooding and property value: A practical guide to understanding risk, loss and professional standards

15 March 2012

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Speakers include:

- **Phil Rothwell**, Head of Strategy & Engagement, Environment Agency
- **Matt Cullen**, Policy Advisor, Flooding, Association of British Insurers
- **Hugh Fell**, Managing Partner, George F White and RICS Flooding Working Group
- **Philip Wilbourn**, CEO, Wilbourn Associates and RICS Flooding Working Group
- **Gaye Pottinger**, Commercial Property Researcher, Author, 'Waterproof Report- Commercial Property Investment'
- **Stewart Cooper**, Director of Property, Argyll Environmental and RICS Flooding Working Group
- **Mary Dhonau OBE**, Flooding Specialist & Chair of the Flood Protection Association

Why you should attend:

- Insights into the current Government policy on flooding, flood risk and flood defences
- Find out about insurability in a post-SoP world
- Acquire a practical guide to managing flooding as a professional challenge
- Case-study of potential scheme and its connectivity to value
- Understand how property value is at risk
- Valuable updates on flood defences: The hard and soft

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The Environment Agency (EA) estimates that more than five million people in England and Wales are living and working in properties that are at risk from flooding, while the Association of British Insurers (ABI) believes that 400,000 homes are at serious risk, based on EA figures, a situation which RICS recognises poses a significant threat to property value.

RICS Flooding Conference offers a timely programme revealing the escalating challenges presented by flooding. Phil Rothwell from the Environment Agency (EA) and Matt Cullen from the Association of British Insurers (ABI) open the conference. The EA will outline current policy and the latest Government initiatives on flooding, flood risk and flood defences, while the ABI will outline the broader issues surrounding the forthcoming expiration of the Statement of Principles in June 2013.

With a special cross-sector focus on flood risk, flood reporting, valuation, insurance, lending, planning, resistance and resilience measures and the built environment, this is an event you can't afford to miss. You will gain in-depth knowledge of the implications of the Statement of Principles for both residential and commercial property, understand the risks and discuss how to best protect value with focus on hard and soft flood defences at a national, local and individual property level.

Who should attend?

- Planners
- Environmental Consultants
- Residential Valuers
- Commercial Valuers
- Investors
- Lenders
- Insurers
- Architects
- Building Surveyors
- Public Sector Employees

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Speakers include

Chair

Philip Wilbourn

CEO,
Wilbourn Associates and
RICS Flooding Working Group

In 2002, Philip was invited by the RICS to represent the profession at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg and contributed to the formation of Global Alliance for Building Sustainability and Wilbourn Associates have also joined the alliance of practitioners. He has also published in October 2002 'Brownfields – managing the development of previously developed land' which was funded by the DTI and CIRIA. In 2003, Philip published the guidance note for the Construction Industry Council 'Brownfield – Building on Previously Development Land' funded by the DTI and CIRIA.

In 2007, he also contributed to RICS Valuation paper No.12 called "Valuing Development Land". He has worked on a consumer guide published by the RICS on Flooding in 2010.

Mary Dhonau

OBE, Flooding Specialist & Chair of the Flood Protection Association

Mary has made many appearances on national TV and radio representing the 'flooded community' and through TV has been able to promote 'flood awareness' and 'self help'. She has been a studio guest amongst others on BBC Breakfast News, Sky News, GMTV and ITV's 'This Morning', 'News Night' and the 'Richard and Judy Show'. Whenever there is a flood, Mary's face appears regularly on TV giving immediate recovery advice. Mary is also a regular contributor to many national and local radio stations and national newspapers. She was also editor of the quarterly NFF newsletter. She is a regular speaker at flood risk conferences and promotes the use of 'flood resistance' and 'flood resilience'.

In her capacity of Chief Executive of the NFF Mary was responsible for facilitating the highly successful NFF conferences – a unique event that gives an equal platform to those who manage flood risk and those who are at risk of flooding.

Phil Rothwell

Head of Strategy & Engagement, Environment Agency

Phil Rothwell is Head of Strategy and Engagement for the Environment Agency and has been with the EA for 7 years. He is responsible for issues as diverse as land use planning, flood plain development, coastal zone management, European Directive compliance, communications and led the EA input to the Floods and Water Management Act, the Pitt Inquiry into the 2007 floods and the Foresight analysis of flood defence needs in face of climate change. Prior to this he worked for 15 years with the RSPB in a variety of campaigning and policy roles, including coastal zone planning and marine conservation managing the water, agriculture, marine, planning casework and parliamentary lobbying teams. Prior to this Phil worked in a variety of roles for the Government conservation agency, the Nature Conservancy Council, in Scotland, Wales and the north of England. He lives in Cambridgeshire in a high risk flood zone.

Gaye Pottinger

Commercial Property Researcher, Author,
'Waterproof Report- Commercial Property Investment'

Gaye is a chartered valuation surveyor and was a deputy chief officer in local government before joining the College of Estate Management in 1994. Her research covers many aspects of property investment and management, including projects in recent years on leasehold reform and the Right to Buy (both for government); residential valuation and investment; fair rents; HIPs; sustainable house building (with BRE Trust); inclusive access in the built environment; Wi-Fi use in retail environments (with the BCSC); professional ethics (with RICS); and, flood risk and property. She is now working with Retri to take forward research into flood risk and commercial property investment.

Stewart Cooper

Director of Property, Argyll Environmental and RICS Flooding Working Group

Stewart is a Chartered Surveyor. For many years he was Group Property Director of GEC and Marconi, responsible for their world wide property portfolio and has considerable experience in property management and due diligence for acquisition and disposal of companies.

He joined Argyll Environmental in 2005 as Director of Property. In 2010 he became a member of the RICS's Flooding Working Group, has recently been working with DEFRA to identify issues and improvements in the way that flood risk information is provided and shared and is Vice Chairman of the Know Your Flood Risk Campaign.

Matt Cullen

Policy Advisor, Flooding, Association of British Insurers

Matt is responsible for flooding policy at the ABI, including work on the Statement of Principles, and the future of flood insurance after it expires in 2013. He works closely with the Government on other key policy issues such as flood defence funding, the planning system and flood data, and is a regular speaker and panellist on flooding debates.

Matt's remit also covers Climate Change policy. In this capacity, he works closely with the Government, and also sits on the managing committee of ClimateWise – a global collaboration of leading insurers focused on reducing the risks of climate change.

Matt has previously worked as a policy adviser in the nuclear industry: with the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority in Cumbria, the Department of Energy and Climate Change in London, and the US Department of Energy in Washington DC.

Chris Rispin

Managing Director, BlueBox Partners

Chris is a vocational training provider. He undertakes forensic investigations into valuations and gives advice to Expert Witnesses and Lenders on a range of professional property issues.

Chris is also the Director for technical services to Allied Surveyors Diligence with responsibility for, among other things, Quality Control particularly in respect of office and surveyor performance in the production of surveys and valuations. He handles customer feedback and assesses the competence of new surveyors wishing to register with Allied Surveyors and promotes Life Long learning within the organisation.

He has co-authored two books with Phil Parnham, principally the best selling book entitled, The Home Inspector's Handbook. He sits on the Residential Valuation and Survey Committee at the RICS, is on the editorial Board of isurv and is the technical writer for the AVM standards group.

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Programme

0830 Registration and refreshments

0900 **Flood defences:
The hard and soft**

- Overview of current Government policy on flooding, flood risk and flood defences
- Current strategy in best-practice flooding risk management

Phil Rothwell, Head of Strategy & Engagement, Environment Agency

0925 **Flood insurance and the
Statement of Principles**

- The expiry of the Statement of Principles in 2013 and the future of flood insurance
- Facilitating insurability in a post-SoP world

Matt Cullen, Policy Advisor, Flooding, Association of British Insurers

**Current flooding mitigation
schemes protecting
residential value**

- The impact current mitigation schemes are having on property value
- Case-study of potential scheme and its connectivity to residential value

Hugh Fell, Managing Partner, George F White and RICS Flooding Working Group

**Value at risk:
Ensuring certainty in your
flood plan residential value**

- The certainty and uncertainty of flood risk, what do we know?
- Identifying the value at risk

Gaye Pottinger, Commercial Property Researcher,
Author, 'Waterproof Report - Commercial Property Investment'

1030 **Panel Session:
Protecting property value**

- Flood risk and loss development
- Flood defences and property protection

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1130 Networking refreshments

1145 **A practical guide to
managing flooding as a
professional challenge to
the advisors**

- Client expectations with professional advisors in a flooding scenario
- What to say and what not to say
- Professional expectation of RICS – the research and the practical application

Philip Wilbourn, CEO, Wilbourn Associates and RICS Flooding Working Group

**Flood risk reporting and
protecting the property**

- How to find out if a property is at risk
- Choosing the right search
- Taking protective measures
- The cost of protection

Stewart Cooper, Director of Property, Argyll Environmental and RICS Flooding Working Group

1230 **Practical application of
flood mitigation issues**

- Resilience and resistance – flood mitigation issues
- How surveyors manage the process

Philip Wilbourn, CEO, Wilbourn Associates and RICS Flooding Working Group
Stewart Cooper, Director of Property, Argyll Environmental and RICS Flooding Working Group
Chris Rispin, Director, Bluebox Partners

1330 Close of conference



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