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>>> An Inconvenient Truth





'Normal weather is a thing of the past'

Professor Myles Allen – Oxford University

'The Report issued 2nd November 2014 by the UN IPCC is their most insane and deranged yet'

Piers Corbyn. http://www.weatheraction.com/



COSTLY

1990 – 2000 £1.5BN spent on flood claims

2000 – 2010 £4.5BN spent on flood claims including 2007 £3.0BN

2012/3/4 £1.7BN spent on flood claims

2015 £1.3BN ABI estimate

Sheffield, Tewkesbury, Gloucester, Cockermouth, Thames Valley, Calder Valley and Carlisle, – human cost

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PROJECTIONS

- 3 times more heavy winter rainfall events
- 40% more local extreme weather events
- 26-36cm increase in sea water levels
- Mark Carney, Governor Bank of England 29 September2015 Speech to Lloyds

"The challenges currently posed by climate change pale in significance compared with what might come. The far-sighted amongst you are anticipating broader global impacts on property, migration and political stability, as well as food and water security. So why isn't more being done to address it?"

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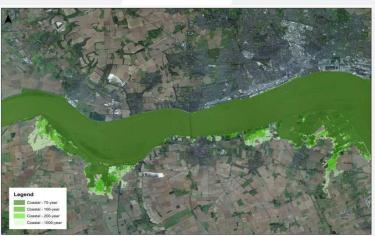
>> FLOOD MAPPING

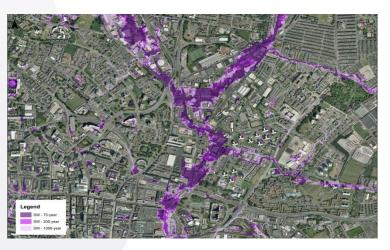
- Coastal
- Rivers & watercourses
- Surface water run off
- Reservoir failure
- Cost projections
- Example map
- 23.8 Mn properties not susceptible,
- 5.2 Mn are of which 2.4 Mn river/coastal and 3.8 Mn surface water 1 Mn both!
- No investment, another ½ Mn by 2035

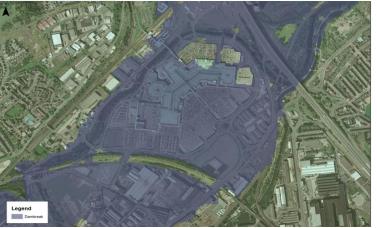


>> JBA RISK MANAGEMENT









>> FLOOD RE

- Political. Hiccups but finally implemented
- Went live April 2016 intended life of 25 years
- 36 firms participating 85% of market
- Accessible & affordable
- Transitional, but need a step change in Government
- Bring back competition in the market
- What if disaster before mature?

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>> FLOOD RE - NUTS & BOLTS

- Low risk & high risks pay levy
- Insurer can cede flood risk
- Terms to client variable competition?
- Claims stay with insurer
- MGA/Chimera
- Shouldn't government be insurer of last resort?

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>> SORRY, NOT YOU!

- Band H/I (Agreement reached to include!)
- Post 2009
- Blocks of residential flats but not individual leaseholders
- Buy to Let
- Only in if, insured in name of an individual, has a Council tax band, used for residential, individual premium and occupied by policyholder/immediate family
- SME & any commercial entity



DURING

- Weather warnings
- Surge plans
- Alert resources
- Coordinate site visits, CAT manager
- Suppliers are doing same



>> IMMEDIATELY AFTER

- Organised chaos (10,500 adjuster visits in 2015/6)
- Increased workloads
- Prioritise visits
- Alternative accommodation
- Clean up/drying?
- Press liaison
- Backfill existing caseloads

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>>> POST FLOOD



>> DRYING/STRIP OUT

- Initial coordination (2 weeks)
- List & dispose of contents
- Hack off plaster & strip out (2 weeks)
- Drying dehumidification (6 weeks)
- Scope of remedial work
- Reinstatement (12 weeks)
- Contents settlement/replacement
- Snag & return home (2 weeks)
- 24 weeks reinstatement on a good day
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EVAPORATION

- Really what drying is
- Different building materials present different challenges
- Floating floors, timber frames, studded walls
- Black water contamination
- How wet is it
- Weather conditions, occupation of premises
- 24 weeks reinstatement on a good day



ALTERNATIVES

- Speed drying
- Not for every property
- Dangerous in the wrong hands
- Other techniques under development
- Managed strip out
- Concurrent increase in cost of escape of water claims



>> FLOOD RESILIENCE

- Government grant
- Plaster render
- » PVC
- Demountable kitchen doors
- Solid floors
- High level electrical installation
- >> External gates/air bricks



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