

**London Councils Transport and Environment Committee (TEC) and Thames Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (RFCC) Joint Working Arrangements – 08/01/2015**

1. London Councils TEC nominates the Members to the Thames RFCC Committee on an annual basis in June of each year at their AGM.
2. Feedback between the two Committees is currently only on an informal basis and the new Chair of TEC wishes to strengthen the relationship.
3. This will be of mutual benefit to both organisations who have overlapping interests.
4. The chairs of both organisations met on 13 November 2014 and agreed to have a more formal mechanism of Member to Member communication.
5. Thames RFCC chair suggested that she would ask the Committee to consider appointing two vice chairs from local authority membership.
6. TEC will appoint a lead Member from the seven it nominates, who would become the vice chair if so agreed by the Thames RFCC. This lead Member would report back to TEC on a six monthly basis on strategic discussions and progress on the programme.
7. This will be an item at the TEC AGM in June 2015 and going forward. It will consist of a brief written report from the lead member on Thames RFCC to TEC.
8. This is in addition to any informal feedback, which can of course happen at any time and can be initiated by either Committee.
9. All seven London Flood Partnerships are encouraged to meet at least every six months involving all relevant portfolio holders, the Environment Agency and Thames Water.
10. It is also suggested that the two chairs meet on an annual basis at a time to be confirmed, but most likely in the third quarter of the financial year.



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Cllr Julian Bell, Chair of TEC



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Amanda Nobbs, Chair of Thames RFCC