









Flooding: The Road to Resilience

Tuesday, 18 November 2025 - Novotel York

PROGRAME













Welcome to "Flooding: The Road to Resilience"

We are privileged to bring together leading professionals from insurance, risk-management, flood response, and resilience planning. The Chartered Insurance Institute of York would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the organisers for facilitating this important cross - sector gathering. We are also grateful for the generous support of our event sponsors, whose partnership is integral to the success of this event. Finally, to all delegates — thank you for attending, for your expertise, for your willingness to engage and collaborate, and for contributing to the advancement of resilience across the insurance and risk sector.

With thanks to our event sponsors:















View bios for all of today's speakers on the web page

TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER - SESSION 1

9:30 - 10:00	Registration, Arrival, Tea & Coffee	
10:00 - 10:15	Opening Remarks Martin Lennon Director of Policy and Government Affairs, Flood Re	
	Session 1 - The Road to Resilience: Flood Risk	
10:15 - 10:40	The Climate Emergency: A Global Issue Facing Local Communities Professor John Curtin CIWEM President	
10:40 - 10:55	Flood Risk in York Mark Henderson Flood Risk Manager, City of York Council	
10:55 - 11:05	Session 1 - The Road to Resilience: Flood Risk Q&A Chaired by Ant Gould With Professor John Curtin and Mark Henderson	
11:05 - 11:25	Break, Tea & Coffee	















TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER - SESSION 2

Session 2 The Road to Resilience: Flood Insurance

11:25 - 11:45 From Risk to Resilience: How Flood Re Transformed Insurance

Emma Holroyde Market Engagement Manager, Flood Re



11:45 - 12:05 The Impact of Build Back Better on Loss Adjusting

Ian Gibbs MRICS
National Technical Manager, Sedgwick Repair Solutions UK Ltd



12:05 - 12:25 Parametric: Re-imagining Flood Cover

Ola Jacob London Market Business Development Director, Global Parametrics Risk Solutions CelsiusPro Group



12:25 - 12:45 Flood Insurance - Challenges and Choices for Brokers

Shaune Worrall
Deputy Head of General Insurance, British Insurance Brokers' Association (BIBA)



and

Liz Mitchell ACII
Chartered Insurance Broker
Founder and Managing Director Flood Assist



12:45 - 13:00

Session 2 The Road to Resilience: Flood Insurance Q&A

Chaired by Ant Gould With Emma Holroyde, Ian Gibbs MRICS, Ola Jacob, Shaune Worrall, and Liz Mitchell ACII

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch & Networking

We invite all delegates to take the opportunity to visit Flood Re's BeFloodReady FloodMobile, situated outside





The FloodMobile

The Floodmobile is a mobile demonstration unit which showcases dozens of Property Flood Resilience measures and techniques which can help to keep your home and family safe during a flood.

Step onboard to learn how you can keep flood water out, but also how you can recover more quickly if water does get into your home. Property Flood Resilience can help to end the repeated cycle of trauma faced when a home floods and the Floodmobile is here to spread crucial information and advice.

Find out more here: https://floodre.co.uk/















TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER - SESSION 3

Session 3 The Road to Resilience: Solutions

14:00 - 14:20

Property Flood Resilience (PFR) - The Road to Resilience

Gareth Boyd LLB MCIWEM
Chief Executive Officer, Watertight International
Company Director, International Property Flood Resilience Association (IPFRA)



14:20 - 14:45

Building climate resilient communities in Rochdale – a different integrated approach

Resilient Roch (Rochdale Council) Speakers:

Shelley Evans
Technical Director, JBA Consulting
Company Director, International Property Flood Resilience Association (IPFRA)



and

Paul Cobbing
Freelance consultant



14:45 - 15:00

Tales along the River (Severn) bank: Stories of people who frequently flood who have made adaptations to enable their homes to recover sooner



Mary Long-Dhonau OBE Hon DSc Hon RICS Hon FCIWEM Flood Mary

15:00 - 15:15

Reducing Flood Risk: Which homes are most suitable for PFR



Conor O'Gorman Catastrophe Risk Analyst, JBA Risk Management

15:!5 - 15:30

Session 3 The Road to Resilience: Solutions
Q&A

Chaired by Ant Gould With Gareth Boyd LLB MCIWEM, Shelley Evans, Paul Cobbing, Mary Long-Dhonau OBE, and Conor O'Gorman

15:30 - 15:40

Closing Remarks



David Codling Cert CII
President of the Insurance Institute of York

15:40 - 16:00

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