

ADEPT South East Board Meeting- 10th Feb 2017

The recent SE regional meeting featured a presentation from Claire Williams of Hampshire County Council, and an Adept topic lead, on the role and experiences to date of Lead Local Flood Authorities, and a group discussion on the emerging themes and challenges, highlighting the issues around SuDs, Flood Risk Management Strategies, the removal of ring fences on LLFA funding and the impact of reductions in Environment Agency funding and capacity on LLFAs at the local level. The meeting also considered some initial thoughts from authority representatives present on the Industrial Strategy Green Paper, and the Housing White Paper, with the intention of more detailed consideration and sharing of individual authority responses at our next meeting in late March. Finally we had an informal discussion on the emerging budget picture across the constituent authorities in respect of 'place based services' and the pressures on all services resulting from rising social care costs and demands allied to reducing Government funding for Council services.