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Welcome to our 4th DWMP E-newsletter. In this edition we will you outputs from our strategic planning groups, updates on options development and the geospatial platform as well as information about our upcoming stakeholder consultation.



1. Outcomes of the Strategic Planning Groups

Over autumn, we hosted workshops with stakeholders across the region. The sessions aimed to share an updated view of the partnership opportunities pipeline, developed throughout 2021 with input from various partners. The pipeline has been used to inform the prioritisation of options which could be delivered collaboratively with other organisations. Where a partnership opportunity was identified, the options in that area have been required to pass a lower cost benefit threshold to be considered further in the plan.

During the workshops we also asked for feedback on our 'secondary screening criteria'. Feedback across the board focused on more environmental measures and understanding impacts of options on local communities. This has led to an adjustment in the categories and sub-criteria used for secondary screening. We reviewed our approach in light of feedback and have adopted a 'multi-capitals' approach to ensure we are considering a full range of benefits and impacts.



2. We need you're feedback to finalise options in the plan

Over the past 12 months we've been developing high level solutions known as 'options' for the forecast risks identified in DWMP. A wider range of options have been considered and subsequently narrowed down through a series of iterative screening stages. We're moving towards finalising our options using a decision support tool to select an appropriate combination of options for each area, these are known as our preferred options.

We would like to get your feedback on our approach to selecting preferred options and more widely on your engagement with DWMP to date. So that it is quick, simple and easy for you to take part we are collating feedback via a short survey which should take no more than 20 minutes to complete.

Click here to complete the DWMP Feedback Survey

2. DWMP Geospatial Portal

A customer centric tool is also being developed to be published in June 2022, this will be publically available for use in wider forums.

4. What's next for DWMP?

During the next phase of the DWMP we are developing a constrained view of the programme—balancing needs, costs and benefits to deliver an optimised North West Plan. In addition, we are drafting the Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan documents ahead of draft DWMP publication in June 2022