

Making Space for People and Water: Engaging the Public in Planning

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ABSTRACT

The impact of climate change is here, happening now and affecting many countries around the world, including the UK. Although it is not possible to directly attribute any one event to climate change, the flooding in the UK during the summer of 2007 typify the increase in such events around the world. Given the scale of this challenge this paper considers actions that government and public but above all the surveyors' role. It explores the role of government and its need to engage the public directly to build on public support for the action and expenditure needed to establish a resilient approach to existing and planned settlements in the future.

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