

Are you interested in helping to protect homes and businesses from flood and coastal risks?

The Northumbria Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (NRFCC) is seeking applications for two independent members. The independent member will ideally hold specialism in one of the following areas: industry finance, climate change, urban design and planning, civil engineering or surface water and have knowledge of flooding and flood risk management.

Do you want to:

- be involved in better protecting thousands of North East homes and businesses from flooding and coastal erosion in a region that has won national acclaim for its approach to flood management?
- work with councillors and other independent representatives to oversee a multi-million pound programme?
- use your sector and professional knowledge to help the Committee understand these issues, see solutions and influence policy makers?
- help with a flood management programme that both reduces risk and enhances our environment through natural flood risk management?



£15m Flood Alleviation and Habitat Creation Scheme at Port Clarence and Greatham South

Who are we looking for?

We are looking for individuals with enthusiasm and new ideas in one or more of the following backgrounds -

Desirable (one or more of the following specialisms) -

- Climate change.
- Surface water.
- Industry Finance.
- Civil Engineering.
- Partnerships and collaborative projects in infrastructure and growth.
- Business community and Local Enterprise Partnerships.
- Planning, economics, development and/or regeneration.

- Flood risk management

The applicant should be well-regarded in their sector and possess significant knowledge of issues affecting Climate change, industry finance or surface water.

It is especially important in the North East to work with development and growth in mind, we would particularly welcome representatives from relevant sectors.

Our members are all appointed as impartial individuals in their own right and not as representatives of any particular organisation. The Environment Agency is committed to the principles of public appointments based on merit, fairness and openness and wishes to promote increased diversity in the membership of its committees.

Time commitment and remuneration

The Committee meets four times a year for RFCC meetings. Members may also be asked to take part in or chair the Programme and Investment Subgroup which makes recommendations on matters relating to programming & investment and the environment, or the Risk Management Subgroup which assesses and mitigates key risks to our programme. In addition, from time-to-time RFCC members are asked to represent the Committee at meetings and events.

The subgroup meets up to four times a year and other events are ad-hoc. These roles are unpaid but reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.



Removable defences being placed on Newcastle Quayside

Key dates

- **Application deadline is 23:59pm on 14th March 2022**
- **Interviews are scheduled on the 25th of April 2022**
- **Inductions will commence on 1st June 2022**
- **Appointments will commence on 1st July 2022**

Interested?

If you want to make a difference in the North East, please contact the NRFCC Secretariat Debbie Mahoney on 07919396597 or email nrfcc@environment-agency.gov.uk to request an application pack.

More information on the Committee can also be found at - <https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/northumbria-regional-flood-and-coastal-committee>.

Link to the job advert online: <https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/northumbria-regional-flood-and-coastal-committee#vacancies>