Urgent Cabinet Report/Delegated Decision Form

Report/Decision Title	Loftus Property Flood Resilience Scheme – Watertight International, Flood Control (NI) Limited
Date of request	13/05/2024
Date of meeting/decision	

Urgent – General Exception - Reasons for urgency outlined below

The Council successfully gained £375k in external funding as part of the Environment Agencies Medium Term Plan. We have utilised Levy funding available from this funding stream for the delivery of property level resilience project affected by the recent flooding in Loftus. This funding will allow for resilience measure to be implemented to 22 properties in Loftus adjacent to Loftus beck that are affected by internal flooding. These measures will help provide further resilience from flooding should the beck breach its walls. To deliver the required outcome of this project the funding will secure individual property surveys and procure protection measure by the means of flood doors and other ancillary measure to each of the 22 properties identified at risk.

The project was originally estimated to come under the £250k threshold and was not necessary to be included into the forward plan. The revised and up to date estimate was only established last week for the works is now £282500 and exceeds this threshold. We are currently awaiting confirmation of entering into contract with the company on the EA framework and therefore requiring signature of contracts urgently to allow the second phase of measures to be implemented for this project. and are therefore requesting the use of Special urgency in this case to prevent the works schedule from being delayed.

This would adversely affect residents as this would put their properties at risk from flooding for longer than is necessary.

I confirm that the relevant chair of Scrutiny and Improvement Committee (or if there is not chair, the whole						
committee individually) and the Cabinet Member have been informed by notice in writing of the decision to be taken.						
Officer name	Nigel Hill	Officer Signature		Date	13/5/2024	
(Delegated Power Author)						
Assistant Director Name	Rob Hoof	Assistant Director signature		Date	13/5/2024	

This urgent report/decision has been seen and agreed by the following:				
Officer / Member	Signature			
Managing Director				
Section 151 Officer				
Monitoring Officer				