

Notice of Motion
Moray Council - 15 September 2021

River Spey Flooding

Over the last few years the residents of Garmouth have faced increased flooding events effecting several homes and businesses in and around the village. Despite some discussions during committee and from the local MSP nothing has yet been put to council or the Scottish Government which seeks to alleviate the problem.

The community are deeply concerned about the increased flooding events and the local community council have undertaken significant work to look at soft engineering options to try and provide a solution.

Local community members forming part of Innes Community Council have provided the following documents, which are attached for information:

1. A report from Innes Community Council highlighting their views on the flooding events and the work they have done.
2. A report from Dr Hamish Moir an expert in water management detailing the history of the area and potential solutions
3. A cost breakdown of the community council proposed solution
4. Pictures of the planned works

We believe in community; we believe that where they come together to raise issues of importance to their towns and villages, we as elected members should be responsive. Today we wish to recognise the work of community members in reaching this point.

We ask the Council to -

1. Recognise the community concern around increased flooding events impacting upon Garmouth.
2. Agree to officers working with local groups including Innes community council and land owners to bring a report back to the 30 November meeting of the Council with potential solutions and indicative costs, including the community proposals above, in order that Councillors can agree the proposed way forward.
3. Ask Officers to engage with the Crown Estate and other relevant partners regarding this issue.

Cllr Marc Macrae
Proposer

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Seconder