

Great Yarmouth FRAMEs Project

Reducing the risk of flooding in the Great Yarmouth area

Informative Report for FRAMEs

30th September 2019









Statistics (as of 30th September 2019):

						Rain	
	Guttermate	D4P	Flood Ark	ACE	Roots	Catcher	Total
Installed and ordered (no. of water butts) includes metal beds	67	13		6	6		92
Installed and ordered (no. of raised beds, wooden)					6		6
Litres (total)	12900	2608		1140	1220		17868
Cubic metre (raised beds)					2.64		2.64
	12967	2621	0	1146	1235	0	17968.64

Installed, signed off and paid	£20,667.80	£7,186.48	£660.24	£2,550.00	£2,805.00		£33,869.52
Not paid							£0.00
Issues (invoiced)	£1,540.66						£1,540.66
Ordered, not invoiced, not installed, not paid	£2,572.38	£282.73					£2,855.11
Ordered, cancelled						£345.36	£345.36
							£0.00
Credit Notes	£1,649.43	£597.60				£325.36	£2,572.39
							£0.00
Total	£24,780.84	£7,469.21	£660.24	£2,550.00	£2,805.00	£345.36	£38,610.65

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Total	£36,038.26

What has the project achieved: as of 30th September 2019

Installed and ordered

- 92 water butts
- 6 raised beds (wooden)
- 17,868 litres
- 2.64 cubic metres (wooden beds)

Total pounds committed or paid

■ £36,038.26 (includes credit notes)

Achievements:

1. Procurement

- Develop procurement process to obtain a solicitor and procure suppliers
- Procure solicitor to produce supplier contract, letter of agreement, amendments to the CIC and relevant information
- Investigate, identify and procure a range of suppliers and installers to supply, deliver and install slow release water butts and raised beds
- Develop and undertake selection and quoting process
- Develop correspondence to invite suppliers to tender to supply, deliver and install
- Provide feedback to suppliers

- Work with suppliers to develop a range of slow release systems for water butts and raised beds including retro fit for water butts already installed in gardens
- Develop suppliers' contract and letter of agreement for residents/businesses
- Develop scope of works (requirements/specifications) for suppliers
- Assess and understand the risk and issues around liability regarding installation
- Understand and amend the CIC to ensure the charity is at limited risk around liability
- Bank account opened for the CIC
- Investigate and review water butts and raised beds available and select appropriate ones to be offered to residents

2. Installation

- Select a small number of residents to carry out a test exercise
- Carried out a test exercise for wooden raised beds within a school
- Develop process to select, survey, order, install and sign off water butts and raised beds
- Develop correspondence to invite residents to have a survey carried out
- Develop/design option brochure and pack (providing information on the products available, the process and agreement)
- Identify and resolve risks, issues and liabilities around engagement, installation and products
- Design label to be placed on installed products to warn against drinking water and use of pressurised water hose
- Develop work order for supplier (providing information on proposed product and installation location/requirements)
- Develop completion of works certificate
- Survey location of possible product installation, discussing options, locations and process. Survey also includes taking images of the locations, existing downpipe, connections and close-up of drains and brackets. The resident is then asked to sign the letter of agreement, this particularly sets out what the resident is agreeing to but also provides permission to share contact details to the supplier/installer

Develop a database listing orders providing information re resident, product, litres, region, costs etc. From this list it is
possible to provide regular update, installation and capital expenditure reports

3. Communication

- Stakeholder analysis completed
- Communication strategy/plan agreed
- Flyer/poster designed and printed (amended as required)
- Develop relationships in communities, businesses, agencies and councils (became known as water butt lady)
- Message agreed, reviewed and amended as required depending on audience, message and area
- North Yarmouth flyer/poster designed by local community group
- Liaise with a range of stakeholders to provide information and promote the project and funding bodies
- Develop and distribute press releases
- Develop social media including facebook and websites
- Poster/flyer drop offs within eligible areas
- Door to door poster/flyer and interaction with residents/businesses
- Pop up information events
- Attend local events including fetes, coffee mornings, launches
- Hold presentations and provide information
- Develop a database/list of residents/others to log interest in project

4. Project, Governance and Planning

- Steering Group set up, terms of reference and reporting agreed
- Dates set and invites sent to Steering Group
- Project Plan developed and agreed
- Communication Strategy agreed
- Risks and Issues and barriers recorded and monitored
- Achievements, aims and objectives, benefits, case studies and lessons learnt monitored and recorded
- Scope of project agreed. This included eligibility of geographic locations. It also included products, equipment and installation
- Agree scope of slow release specifications
- Technical requirements/scope agreed eg water-butt/raised beds to lead from downpipe to drain or drain on road
- Quality assurance, performance management and data management agreed, monitored and recorded
- Budget and finance agreed, monitored and recorded. Regular reports re capital and expenditure produced
- Scoped areas walked, characteristics, history, geography recorded and short reports developed

5. Lessons Learnt

- Understanding slow release, what is meant, specification and its benefits and barriers
- Understand how messages to stakeholders influences understanding and take up of installation. The 'help your community' was a more successful message than offering free water butts
- Messages need to adapt and amend according to the time, area, audience and incentive
- Poverty seems to affect the take up of residents as they have other priorities

- Most take-up has been by property owners, aged approximately 45 years and onwards. Most take up has been by residents with well-kept gardens. Most water-butts were chosen to water the garden and a second thought to help reduce flooding in the community
- Initially garden raised beds were recorded as the initial choice, however most then went on to order a water butt to water the garden
- An independent charity was able to engage with residents and the community, gaining trust leading to take up and installation where a larger organisation may have been held with more suspician
- The region reacted to well made, attractive water butts. This may be due to most homeowners already having a water butt/s on their property. The more basic water butts were not as popular
- The procurement process was time consuming
- The project required to be responsive and flexible in order to be successful, learning as it progressed
- Slow release mechanisms were both simple ie a controlled pipe, and engineered within the product. The engineered and more expensive products were more successful and raised fewer issues
- Take up has been slow, however once the initiative progressed, word of mouth led to increased take up
- The poster/flier was more successful with images of the attractive water butts available
- Social media was an important method to distribute the message, a website may have increased take up and reduced time in processing notes of interest

Stakeholders/events:

Suppliers (contracted)	•	Flood Ark			Email
		AC Engineering			Telephone
		Guttermate			Meeting
		Design 4 Plastics			Survey
		Roots (MIND)			Survey
	+	RainCatcher			
Suppliers (not contracted)		Tanks Direct	•	Nationwide	Email
	-	Even Greener			Telephone
	-	Free Flush			
	-	Holmes Builders			
	-	OTA			
	-	Plughole Planters			
	•	Straight			
	•	Aqualogic			
	-	Water Scan			
	•	Rainwater Tanks			
	•	Garden Street			
	-	Green Fingers			
	•	Water Scan			
Steering Group	•	National Flood Forum	•		Meeting
	•	Anglian Water			Email
	-	Norfolk County Council			Telephone
	•	Gt Yarmouth Town Council			Teleconference

Councils	 Bradwell Parish Council 	•	Email
	meeting		Meetings
	 Gorleston Parish Council 		Flyer
	meeting		
	 Gt Yarmouth town council 		
Councillors	 All councillors 	Gt Yarmouth	Email
		Gorleston	Meetings
		Bradwell	Flyer
Social Housing	■ Gt Yarmouth Council		Email
	Orbitt Housing		Meetings
			Flyer
Community Groups	 PEONY (People of North 	■ Gt Yarmouth	Email
	Yarmouth)		Meetings
	 North Yarmouth Resilience 	Gt Yarmouth	Presentation
	Group		Telephone
			Flyer
Agencies/Charities	 Anchorage Trust 	Gt Yarmouth	Email
	MIND Roots	Gorleston	Meetings
	Mens Shed (Email)		Presentation
	Voluntary Norfolk		Telephone
	•		Flyer
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Council Community	MESH	■ Gorleston	Email
Workers	Comeunity	Gt Yarmouth	Meetings
	Make it Happen	Southtown	Presentation
			Telephone

			Flyer
Coffee Mornings	 North Yarmouth Methodist 	•	Attendance
			Email
			Flyer
			Poster
Activity Groups	■ Pop Pin	Bradwell	Attendance
	■ Diet Group	Bradwell	Email
	Bowling Group	Bradwell	Flyer
Festivals/Fayres	Flower Festival	Bradwell	Email
	Gorleston Cliff Event	Gorleston	Telephone
	Carnival	Gt Yarmouth	Attendance
			Flyer/poster
Small Fetes/Events	■ Fete	■ Bridge Road, Gorleston	Email
	 MESH Easter event 	 MESH Community Day 	Telephone
		 Roots Community Event 	s Attendance
			Flyer/poster
Community Pop ups (via	Seahawk Close	Gorleston	Email
Council Community	High Street	Gorleston	Telephone
Workers)	Leicester Road	Gorleston	Attendance
	Northgate Street	Gt Yarmouth	Flyer/poster
	■ Bell Marsh Road	Gorleston	
	■ Burgh Road	Gorleston	
EXPO	■ Flood Expos	Birmingham	Email
		Peterborough	Telephone
			Attendance

			Flyer/poster
Misc events	 Ireact (East Anglian businesses and Councils) Launch Lowestoft information flood Event Marina Centre Exercise Businesses in Community Anglian Eastern RFCC Annual Review Network Lunch Comm College 	 Peterborough Lowestoft Gt Yarmouth Gt Yarmouth Peterborough Gorleston 	Presentation Email Telephone Attendance Flyer/poster Presentation
Site Visits (via Norfolk County Council)	Burgh/Beccles RoadLords Lane/Long LaneLeicester Road	GorlestonBradwellGorleston	Email Telephone Attendance
Flyer /Poster Drops	 Burgh/Beccles Road and areas Lords/Long Lane and areas Northgate Street and areas Leicester Road and areas 	GorlestonBradwellGt YarmouthGorleston	Attendance Flyer/poster
Board Meetings	■ Make it Happen	Gt Yarmouth Community Council	Email Telephone Attendance Flyer/poster

			Presentation
Schools/Adult Education	■ Hillside Primary	Bradwell	Email (mostly)
	 Woodside Primary 	Bradwell	Telephone
	Edward Worledge Primary	Gt Yarmouth	Attendance
	 Gorleston Sixth Form 	Launch event	Flyer/poster
	Northgate Primary	Gt Yarmouth	Presentation
	Cliff Park Primary and	Gorleston	Survey
	High School	•	
	Hillside Primary	Bradwell	
	Wroughton Primary	Gorleston	
	St Georges Primary	Gt Yarmouth	
	Peterhouse		
	Ormiston Primary and High School	Gorleston	
	 Stradbrooke Primary 	Gorleston	
	St Nicholas Priory Primary	Gt Yarmouth	
	Brooklands	Gt Yarmouth	
	St Mary and Peter Primary	Gt Yarmouth	
Out of County	 Amanda McDermott 	•	
	Consultancy		
	 Glasgow County Council 		
	 Amazi Civil Engineers 		
	Durham University		
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Surgeries	Dental	■ Bradwell, Gorleston	Attendance
	■ GP	Bradwell, Gorleston	Flyer/poster

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Libraries/Fire Stations/Police	 Community Libraries 	, ,	ttendance yer/poster
	Fire stationsPolice	 Gorleston, Via MESH and Roots Fund days 	, - ,
Public Houses/Restaurants		■ Gorleston At	ttendance yer/poster
Churches	Church of EnglandMethodist	■ St Andrews, Gorleston Fl	ttendance yer/poster mail
Small Shops/Coffee Shop Boards/Banks/Small High Street Businesses	■ Flyer/Poster drop	,	ttendance yer/poster
Large Shops	Co-opQD		ttendance yer/poster

Garages	■ Poster drops	 Leicester Road, Gorleston Northgate Street, Gt Yarmouth Beccles/Burgh Road, Gorleston 	Attendance Flyer/poster
Estate Agents	 Poster drop and discussion 	 High Street, Gorleston Northgate Street, Gt Yarmouth Gt Yarmouth 	Attendance Flyer/poster
Media/Press Releases	 Press (paper/online) Facebook Radio 	 EDP Comeunity, NFF, MESH BBC Norfolk News Archant Mercury Newspaper Archant Advertiser Newspaper Radio Norfolk Radio Broadland Radio Beach Radio Harbour 	Attendance Flyer/poster Email Telephone
Promotional Events	■ Gorleston Sixth Form College	•	Attendance Flyer/poster

		Email	
Bulletins	Gorleston CommunityMagazine		

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