



## Drainage and Flood Risk



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# Vision

**To manage flood risk to facilitate the social, economic and environmental development of Northern Ireland.**

Business Plan 2014-2015



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# Drainage Functions of Rivers Agency

Maintain designated watercourses and sea defences.

Construct drainage and sea defence structures.

Advisory and enforcement to protect drainage.





# History of Drainage Authority

- Drainage
- Flood Defence
- Flood Risk Management

Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment  
by Dec 2011

Flood Hazard and Risk Maps  
by Dec 2013

Flood Risk Management Plans  
by Dec 2015





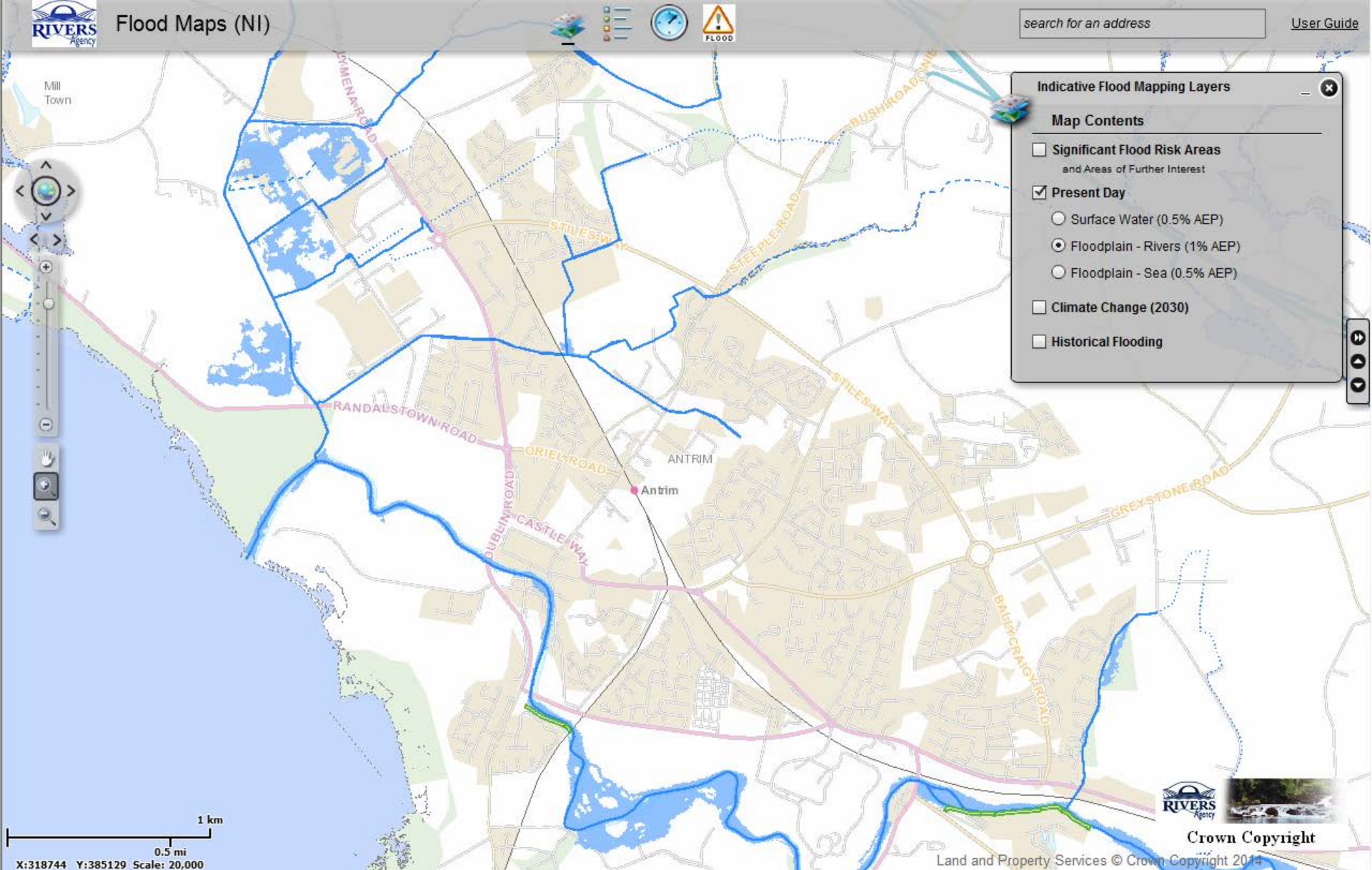


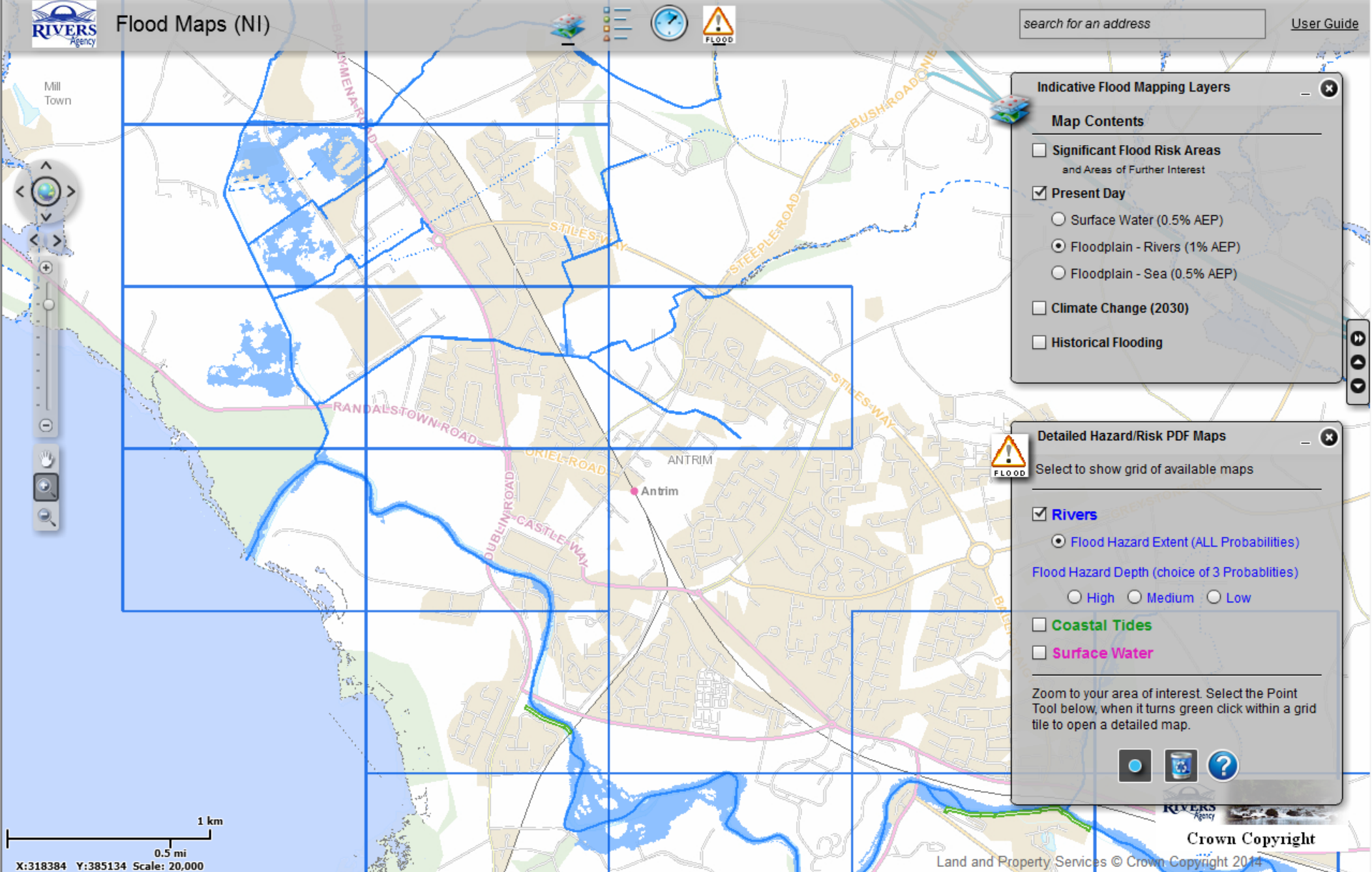
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**Categories**

- SFRA
- Areas for Further Study









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# Flood Hazard Extent

Map Type: FLOOD HAZARD  
Source: RIVER  
Epoch: PRESENT DAY



Drawing Scale 1:5,000  
when plotted at A3

- 10% AEP Flood Extent  
(1 in 10 chance in any given year.)
- 1% AEP Flood Extent  
(1 in 100 chance in any given year.)
- 0.1% AEP Flood Extent  
(1 in 1000 chance in any given year.)
- Modelled River
- Unmodelled River
- River Flow Direction

## Flood Defence Structures Standard of Protection ("SoP")

- \*SoP < 50 years
- \*SoP ≥ 50 years
- \*SoP ≥ 75 years
- \*SoP ≥ 100 years

Coordinate System: Irish Grid.  
Coordinates in metres.  
Heights in metres above MSL Belfast.

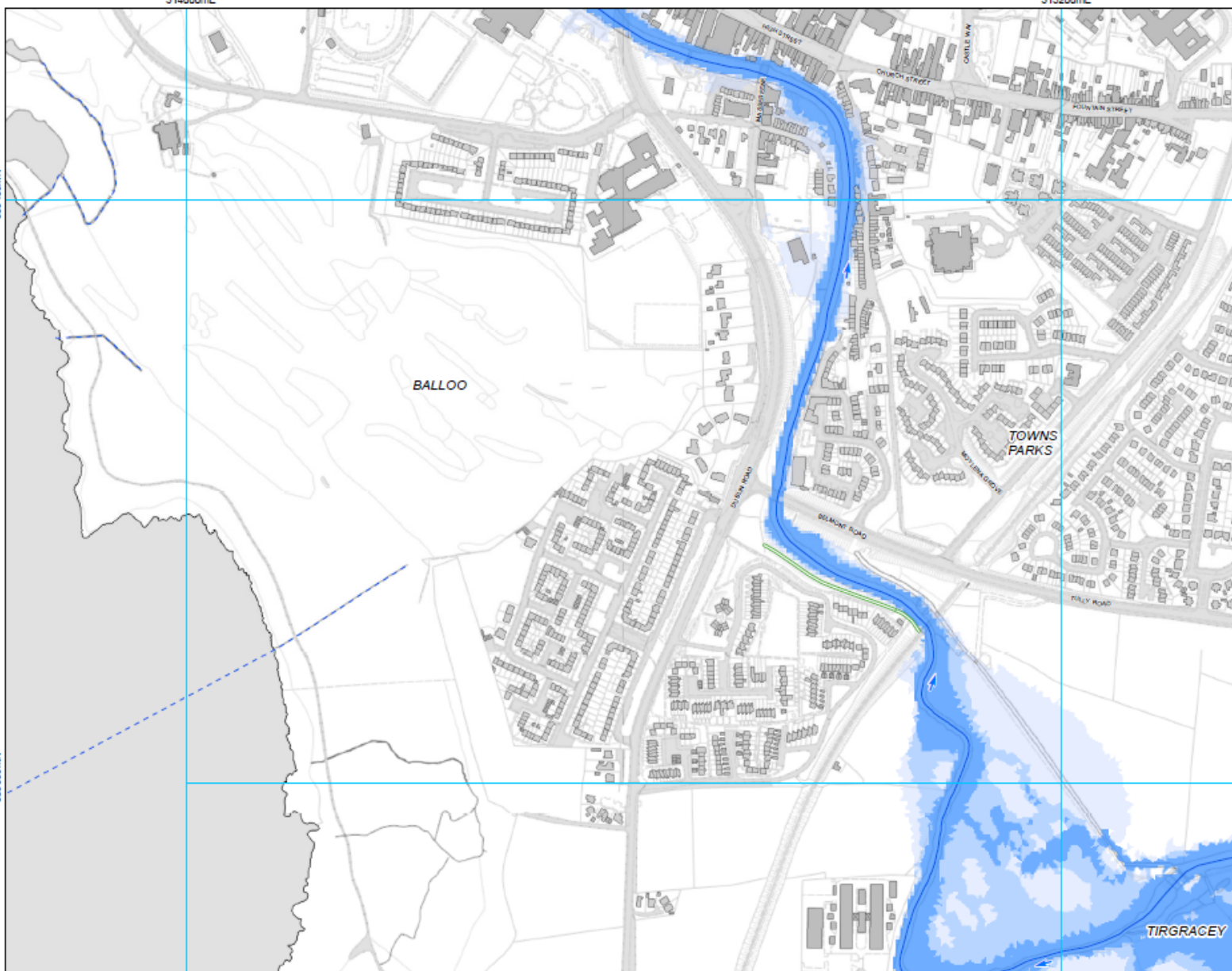
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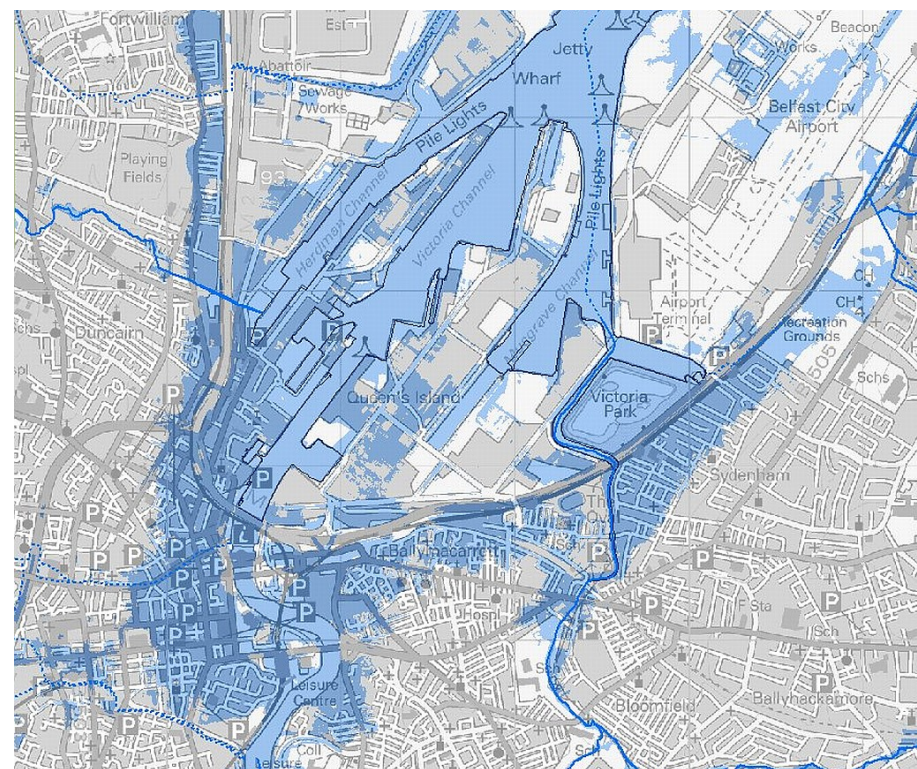
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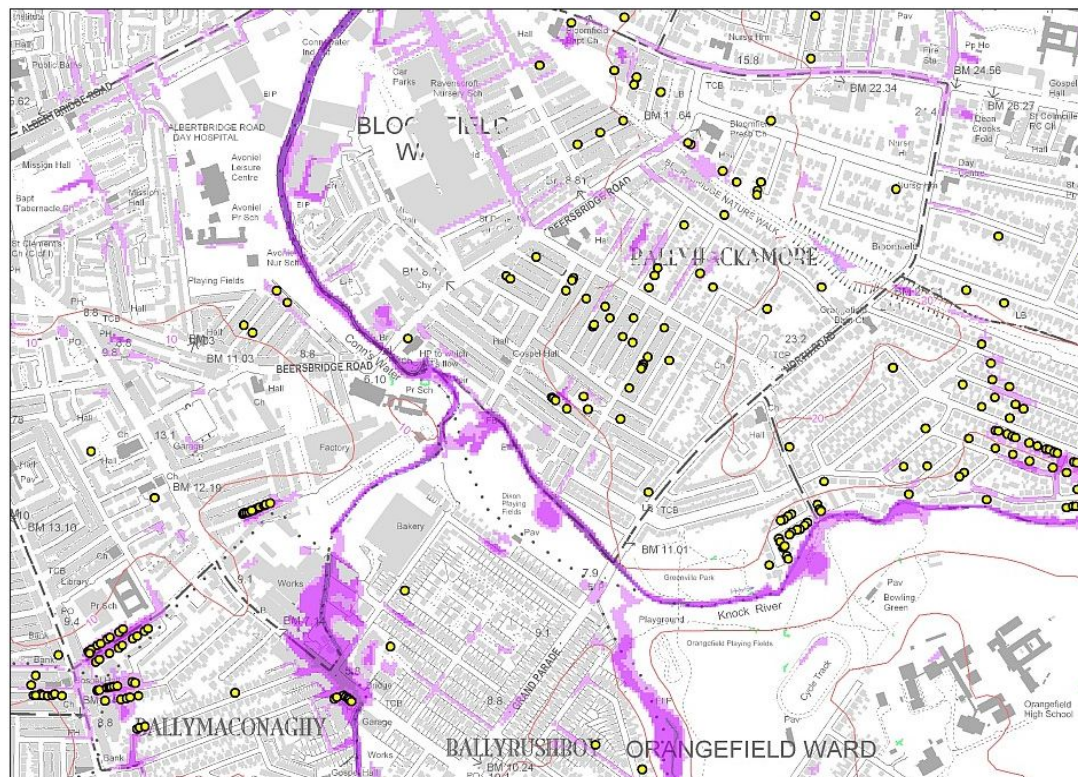
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- **830,000** properties within NI
- **46,000** properties estimated to be within the **river** and **coastal** flood plain
- Approx **15,500** protected by flood defences / culvert network
- Property level & location within floodplain is critical

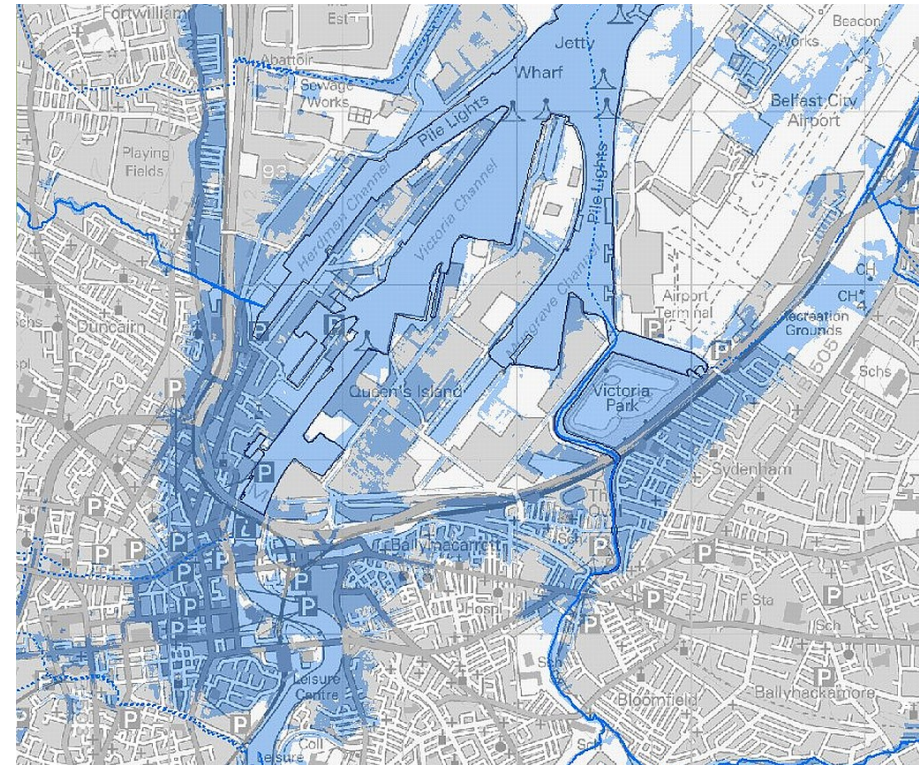




- **830,000** properties within NI
- **20,000** properties estimated to be at risk from **surface water**
- Many in the **rivers** and **coastal flood plain**.



- **1 in 18** at risk in Northern Ireland
- **1 in 6** at risk in England
- **1 in 6** at risk in Wales
- **1 in 22 homes** and
- **1 in 13 businesses** at risk in Scotland







East Belfast, 2005, 2007



Belfast, 2008



Enniskillen, 2009



Omagh, 2007



Belfast, 2012



Beragh, 2008, 2011



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## Challenge 3





**Rivers Agency  
Flood Context  
3 Challenges**

**Thank You**

