

*At the 8 December meeting of the Commissioning Committee there was an agenda item on Flood Prevention in Buckinghamshire. As a result of this agenda item an outstanding query emerged around which District Councils within the county had made bids for DEFRA money. Duncan Laird, Policy Officer (Transportation), has kindly sent the following response:*

Chiltern District Council and South Bucks District Council were both considering submitting bids to DEFRA for developing schemes to address surface water flooding. It has come to light that neither authority made a bid in the end. The deadline for bid submissions has now passed.

I've been informed by the Environment Agency that further grant aid will be available for schemes to address flooding in July 2010, through the Flood Defence Grant In Aid (FDGIA). We will be encouraging Districts to consider grant applications to this fund and investigating the potential for a County Council bid.

Please let me know if you have any further queries regarding this matter and I will submit these on your behalf.