

Introducing the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee

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What is the RFCC?

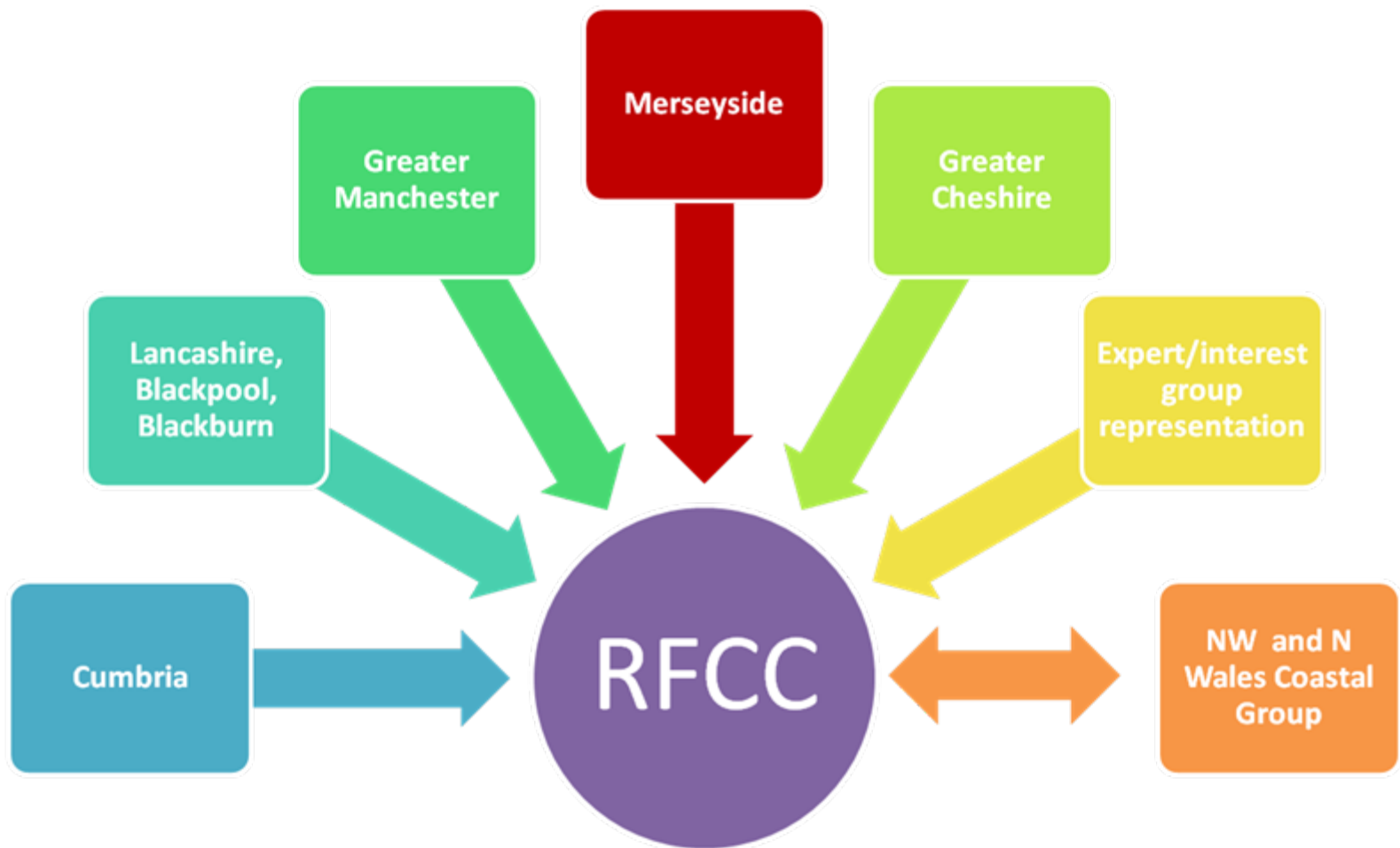
- RFCC established by Flood and Water Management Act 2010 to replace Regional Flood Defence Committee
- Committee and its predecessor have advisory role to Environment Agency
- Since 2008, Environment Agency responsible for coastal flood risk and overview of coastal erosion

Who are we?

- Chairman – appointed by Minister
- Lead Local Flood Authorities – majority
- EA appointees with expertise in specific areas, including coastal issues



How are we organised?



How are coastal interests involved?

- Member appointed with knowledge of coastal issues
- LLFA members from coastal authorities
- Chair of NW Coastal Group standing invitation
- Joint working at all levels

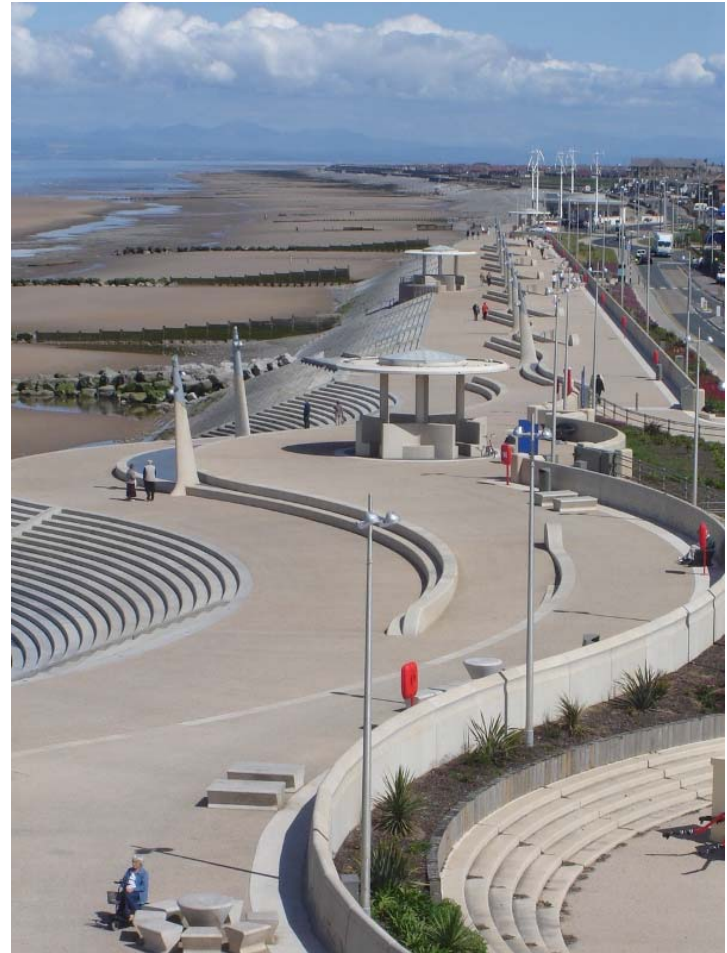
What do we do?

1. to ensure there are coherent plans for identifying, communicating and managing flood and coastal erosion risks across catchments and shorelines



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2. to promote efficient, targeted and risk-based investment in flood and coastal erosion risk management that optimises value for money and benefits for local communities;



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3. to provide a link between the Environment Agency, LLFAs, other risk management authorities, and other relevant bodies to develop mutual understanding of flood and coastal erosion risks in its area.



Achievements

Blackpool

- £72m project
- 3.2km defences
- Completed 2011
- Protected 1000 properties
- 1-in-200 yr standard



Achievements

West Kirby Marine Lake

- £1.5m scheme
- Protects 1,500 properties



Achievements

Morecambe Coast Protection scheme

- £13m scheme to protect sea wall



Achievements

Hightown Dune Restoration Project

- £1.5m project
- Replenish dunes & build sea wall



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