

FLOOD DEFENCE AND POLLUTION CONTROL: STATUTORY POWERS AND COMPENSATION



(2 CPD points)

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Purpose: Flood damage is an increasing threat. A variety of statutory powers are entrusted to the Environment Agency, local authorities and others under various Acts and the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 in respect of flood defence, flood risk management, drainage, water pollution and water quality. Difficult questions arise as to the right to any compensation and its inter-relationship with other causes of action. This seminar will consider the nature and extent of the powers available to regulators and the obligations and rights of those affected.

Topics:

- The statutory schemes enabling the regulators to take steps to prevent flooding and water pollution
- The relevance of flood risk management functions to the regulator's statutory powers and liabilities
- Challenging regulatory notices and powers of entry
- The role of the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) when determining disputes as to the amount of compensation
- How to maximise your compensation, and the option of avoiding the statutory scheme
- Are the limitations on civil claims out of date and due for challenge?
- The effect of the recent decisions in *Robert Lindley Ltd v East Riding of Yorkshire Council*, *Mott v EA* and *Sharp v EA*

Date/Venue: Tuesday 27th June 4.30-6.30 pm (tea/coffee available from 4.15pm) at 6 Pump Court Chambers. Drinks and canapés to follow.

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Cost: £25 per person. Subsequent bookings from your firm/ organisation charged at a reduced rate of £15 per person. No charge for local authorities.

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