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Since 2010 National Legislation, in the form of the Flood and Water Management Act makes B&NES Council – and B&NES councillors – responsible for managing Flood Risk from local sources and also to produce a local Flood Management Strategy.

As you may know, a Public Consultation on the latter concluded last month.

Perhaps I can remind you of some elements within B&NES Flood Risk Strategy.

For example :- (i) Objective 4 seeks to prevent development that creates or increases Flood Risk.

and it notes (ii) Rivers contribute 82% to Flooding.

and (iii) B&NES population density is higher than the rest of the South West and England as a whole.

(iv) The most densely occupied wards in our World Heritage City are Abbey, Westmoreland, Kingsmead and WALCOT with its many Listed buildings.

page 49 (v) In the next 35 years the sea level will increase by 21.8 cms and winter rainfall will increase by 17%. Strangely precise !

Your Assessment Document (Black & Veitch) says “ Any significant engineering schemes will require a consent, appropriate Environment Assessment and potentially a statutory Environmental Impact Assessment BEFORE commencement.”

It then says - “ If engineering schemes are required in the AONB, the respective AONB Partners MUST be consultedto ensure that NO potential impacts on B&NES Landscape character and AONBs occur ”.

These are a few factors for you to consider before you can agree with your officers claim that the three Park and Ride sites chosen are ‘VIABLE’.

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