

Our Ref: 222294

Date: 13th February 2017

Director of Finance
Council Of The Isles of Scilly
Town Hall
St Marys
Isles of Scilly
TR21 0LW

Dear Sir or Madam,

FLOOD AND COASTAL EROSION RISK MANAGEMENT LEVY for financial year beginning 1 April 2017

THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY give you notice that in accordance with the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011, that in the financial year beginning on the first day of April 2017 they will require from you the sum(s) set out on the enclosed notice to pay being the aggregate of the amount assessed and charged as set out in the schedule(s) appended hereto in the area of the Council for or in respect of the expenses of the specified Regional Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management area(s) of the Environment Agency, determined at a meeting of the Environment Agency Board held at Ergon House, Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 2AL on 7th February 2017

The statement(s) attached show the purposes to which the amount demanded by levy is intended to be applied.

The preferred method of payment is by BACS transfer to:

National Westminster, London Corporate Service Centre, CPB Services 2nd Floor, 280
Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4RB

Account Name: EA Receipts

Sort Code: 60-70-80

Account No: 10014411

Please confirm your proposed payment method and dates to the Credit Control Team at the address at the foot of this letter or email ea_fsc_ar@sscl.gse.gov.uk. Please note that any cheque payments or remittance notices should also be sent to this address.

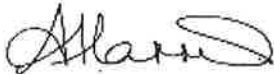
Please quote customer number 222294 in any correspondence and when making payments.

Enclosed is further information regarding flood defence and local levy expenditure. Please arrange for this to be passed to the relevant department for use in your council tax leaflets.

Specific questions about individual Regional Flood and Coastal Committees levies should be referred to:

South West RFCC - Andrew Flay, National Flood Risk Finance Manager, Tel:
07770 640214.

Yours sincerely,



Angela Harris
Head of Order to Cash

Important Information

If this invoice refers to a permit and you wish to *transfer, surrender or make a variation* to, you will need to complete the relevant form(s) that are available at:

<http://www.gov.uk/environment-agency> Enter 'transfer permit' 'surrender permit' or 'vary permit' in the search box.

If you have a query regarding the detail of your permit, or the progress of an application, please contact the Permit Support Centre on **03708 506 506**.

Please note

All permit holders are responsible for the payment of charges applicable to their permit. You will remain liable for those charges until all parties have completed the transfer notice/agreement or we have formally agreed to the changes.

For other queries such as financial queries or difficulty in paying your invoice please contact the **Finance Service Centre on 0845 607 0330** or ea_fsc_ar@sscl.gse.gov.uk

Calls to 03 numbers cost no more than a national rate call to an 01 or 02 number. This will apply to calls from any type of line including mobile, BT, other fixed line or payphone.

Calls to 0845 are typically charged between 1p and 11p per minute from a landline. Calls from mobile phones generally cost between 14p and 41p per minute.

BACS

To make a payment by BACS you will need your customer number and the following details;

Company Name: Environment Agency

Address: SSCL, PO Box 221, BLACKPOOL, FY1 9JN

Bank: National Westminster

Address: Government Banking Service Branch, London Corporate Service Centre, CPB Services 2nd Floor, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB

Sort Code: 60-70-80

Account number: 10014411

Email your remittance advice to:

ea_fsc_ar@sscl.gse.gov.uk

BANK

Complete the Bank Giro Credit overleaf and present it at a bank with your payment. Cheques should be made payable to '**Environment Agency**'. Please write your customer number and the invoice number on the reverse of the cheque. If paying by this method please allow 10 working days for your payment to be processed.

Return your payment to: **SSCL, PO Box 221, BLACKPOOL, FY1 9JN**

POST

Cheques should be made payable to '**Environment Agency**'. Please write your customer number and invoice number on the reverse of the cheque and please include the giro credit slip.

**CARD**

You can pay by **credit/debit card** by calling **0845 607 0330** between 8.30am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday.

We accept Visa/Mastercard/Maestro UK.

If you use online banking please quote your invoice number as a reference.

We consult the public, businesses and other interested parties on the majority of our charging schemes and associated tariffs. All of our schemes are then subject to review and approval by Government before being implemented. You can access further information about our charges, cost pressures and efficiency savings, along with the charging consultations including our responses by going to our website:

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SCHEDULE WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991, SECTION 141 FORM OF STATEMENT**REGIONAL FLOOD AND COASTAL COMMITTEE****PRECEPT AND LEVY FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING 1ST APRIL 2017**

PART I Statement of purposes to which the amount demanded by Levy is intended to be applied:-

Purpose (1)	Total Expenditure '000s (2)	Government Grants '000s (3)	Defrayed from any reserve, replacement or sinking fund '000s (4)	Relevant Expenditure (Col 2 less Cols 3 & 4) '000s (5)
1. Expenses under enactments relating to land drainage:				
(1) Capital expenditure from revenue				
(a) Grant-aided works	£26,779	£0	£0	£26,779
(b) Non grant-aided items	£629	£0	£0	£629
(2) Other expenditure				
(a) Payments in respect of works financed by borrowing, under section 48 of the Environment Act 1995 (including loan charges)	£0	£0	£0	£0
(b) Maintenance Works	£7,633	£0	£0	£7,633
(c) Administration Expenses (including proportion of Environment Agency and Regional Flood Defence Committee expenses)	£0	£0	£0	£0
(d) Contributions to Internal Drainage Boards	£0	£0	£0	£0
(e) Debit transfer to other Environment Agency accounts	£0	£0	£0	£0
(f) Other items	£0	£0	£0	£0
2. Provision for working capital	£0	£0	£0	£0
3. Debit balance brought forward	£0	£0	£0	£0
			Total Expenditure	35041

Part II Statement of Income	Income other than under the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696)	'000s
1.	(a) Government Grant - in - Aid (b) Contributions from Internal Drainage Boards (see part III) (c) General Drainage Charges (d) Sundry Receipts	£34,196 £0 £0 £0
2.	Movement in balances.	-£208
3.	Credit transfers from other Environment Agency accounts	£0
4.	Amount to be met by levies under the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696)	£1,053
Total Income		£35,041

Part III	Statement of the amounts demanded by precept from Internal Drainage Boards (ii)	Amount of precept from each Board
Total amount of precept		

Part IV Statement showing the basis on which the amounts demanded by levies to the individual councils are calculated.	Council tax base for relevant area (iii)	Amount of Levy (iv)
(1) <u>County Council</u>		
Council Of The Isles of Scilly	1,322	£2,353
Devon County Council	282,682	£503,228
Somerset County Council	7,078	£12,601
(4) <u>Unitary Authority</u>		
Cornwall Council	185,757	£330,683
Plymouth Council	70,775	£125,993
Torbay Council	44,049	£78,416
Total	591,664	£1,053,274

NOTES

- (i). "Grant in Aid" means grants made to the Environment Agency under section 47 Environment Act 1995.
"Precept" means precepts to internal drainage boards issued under section 141 Water Resources Act 1991.
- (ii). Precept includes contribution by resolution under Section 58(2)(b) of the Land Drainage Act 1991.
- (iii). The "Council tax base" for an area, or part of an area, is to be that calculated in accordance with regulation 7 of the Environment Agency (levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (SI 2011 No 696).
- (iv). Councils of Counties include district councils to which county functions have been transferred in accordance with Regulation 5(6) of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994 (SI 1994/867) pursuant to structural change.

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

The Council Tax (Demand Notices) (England) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency is a levying body for its Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Functions under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and the Environment Agency (Levies) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

The Environment Agency has powers in respect of flood and coastal erosion risk management for 1940 kilometres of main river and along tidal and sea defences in the area of the South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee. Money is spent on the construction of new flood defence schemes, the maintenance of the river system and existing flood defences together with the operation of a flood warning system and management of the risk of coastal erosion. The financial details are:

Gross Expenditure
Levies Raised
Total Council Tax Base

South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	
2016/2017 '000s	2017/2018 '000s
£36,625	£35,041
£958	£1,053
582	592

The majority of funding for flood defence comes directly from the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). However, under the new Partnership Funding rule not all schemes will attract full central funding. To provide local funding for local priorities and contributions for partnership funding the Regional Flood and Coastal Committees recommend through the Environment Agency a local levy.

A change in the gross budgeted expenditure between years reflects the programme of works for both capital and revenue needed by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee to which you contribute. The total Local Levy raised by this committee has increased by 10.0%

The total Local Levy raised has increased from £957,521 in 2016/2017 to £1,053,274 for 2017/2018.

