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| Location: Abbeydorney, Co. Kerry | | Unique ID: 230341 (from PFRA database) | |
| Initial OPW Designation | APSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | AFRR <input type="checkbox"/> | IRR <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Co-ordinates | Easting: 84750 | Northing: 123250 | |
| River / Catchment / Sub-catchment | Shanow River / River Brick / Feale Catchment | | |
| Type of Flooding / Flood Risk (identify all that apply) | Fluvial non-tidal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fluvial tidal <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

| Stage 1: Desktop Review | |
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| 1.1 Flood History (include review of Floodmaps.ie) | River Flow Path <p>The village and surrounding land is flat and low lying. A tributary of the Shanow River flows north, north-west through the village, and is crossed by two stone bridges.</p> Flood event records <p>There are no flood events recorded.</p> |
| 1.2 Relevant information on flooding issues from OPW and LA staff | PFRA database comments (<i>in italics</i>): <p>OPW comments <i>Just at end of feale CDS a few reports</i></p> <p>LA comments <i>LA are not aware of any reason why this location is included.</i> <i>Feale 10 miles away</i> <i>Embankments</i> <i>Query including this. Recommend risk review. Some recent development</i></p> <p>Meeting / discussion summary comments:</p> <p>OPW comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On a tributary to the Feale. • Little information from OPW. • Kerry CC may have more information <p>LA comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Event on 2nd Sept 2009. 1 house flooded. • Not generally a major flooding issue in terms of properties, but flooding of road by football field is an annual event. |

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| 1.4 PFRA Data | | | |
| 1.4.1 PFRA hazard mapping | PFRA mapping available in GIS layer: | | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | PFRA mapping included on FRR map: | | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1.4.2 Summary of Principal Receptors | Type | | FRI score (if available) |
| | Garda_Stations_Weighted_F_S | | 25 |
| | Nursing_H_Weighted_F_S | | 2500 |
| | Arch_Regional_Weighted_F_E | | 10 |
| | Total | | 3426.1 |
| 1.7 Stage 1 Evaluation | Aspect | Clearly APSR | Uncertain |
| | Flood History (1.1) | X | |
| | OPW / LA Information (1.2) | | X |
| | PFRA Evaluation (1.4) | X | |
| | Overall Desktop Evaluation (if any above aspect is uncertain then overall designation is uncertain) | X | |
| 1.8 Proposed level of assessment for Stage 2 site visits | Level A Site Visit | | X |
| | Level B Site Visit | | |

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| Stage 2: Site Inspection | | Level A Assessment | | |
| Date and Time of Inspection | | Date: 13/05/11 | | |
| | | Time: 09:00 | | |
| Names of inspection team (including OPW/LA staff if present) | | Mathieu Valois | | |
| | | Kelly Kasperczyk | | |
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| 2.1 Ground-truthing of Hazard Mapping | Fluvial non-tidal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fluvial tidal <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal <input type="checkbox"/> Not available <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| | <p>Appears to be a fairly good representation of conditions in the town. However, hazard extents north of the town centre and in the area of the Nursing Home appear to be slightly exaggerated.</p> | | | |
| 2.2 Spot check ground-truthing of selected receptor vulnerability (also note any key receptors noted during visit that are not identified by PFRA) | Receptor Type | Location description (if not obvious) | Exists? | Overall Vulnerability / Risk (L / M / H) |
| | Nursing Home (Riverside) | West of town centre | Y | L |
| | Garda Station | Adjacent to the church | Y | M |
| | Commercial (Abbey Hair Studio) | Centre of town at bridge | Y | H |
| 2.3 Local knowledge - on-site comments (OPW, LA and any info volunteered by local residents during visit) | <p>Riverside Nursing Home (Nurse: Chef –local resident for 40 years, Maintenance Man – local resident for 60 years):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursing Home has not experienced any flood-related problems in its 28 years. Maintenance man lives on left bank for 60 years and has never experienced flooding from the river (or high waters). <p>Abbey Hair Studio:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flooded in 2009 – combination of overland surface water flow from the Community Centre and fluvial from the river. At the time of the flood, there was a wall on the left bank of the river d/s of the bridge (adjacent to the Hair Studio). This wall was not damaged at the time, but has since been removed. The wall was not a continuous defence and water backed up behind the wall into the hair studio. This river reaches a height of 'concern' most years, but 2009 was the only year water reached the property. During this event water reached higher than the black pipes attached to the d/s end of the bridge. Properties on either side of the main road on the left bank experienced some flooding from the overland surface water flowing from the Community Centre. Surface water reached over the first step of the beauty studio on the opposite side of the road from Abbey Hair Studio. The property next door to the Abbey Hair Studio was also flooded and this is thought to have been from the river as well as overland surface water flow from the Community Centre direction. | | | |

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| 2.4 Comments on hydraulic constrictions (bridges, etc.) and conveyance routes | <p>3-arch bridge next Abbey Hair Studio – only the central arch is operating, other two are partially blocked with gravel deposition. The owner of Studio has never seen these arches open. The open area of the bridge is considerably less than the channel cross-sectional area.</p> <p>A sheet of corrugated iron has been placed d/s of the 3-arch bridge (this was not here at the time of the flood in 2009).</p> <p>Fly-tipping between 3-arch and single-arch bridges.</p> <p>Single arch bridge d/s – soffit is near bank top level.</p> |
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2.5 SVRS Assessment Matrix

Weightings:

A - x1 - reasonable expectation of flooding

B - x2 - high expectation of flooding
or flooding is tidal (any risk)

C - x5 - risk to life

| Approx. Number | 1 to 4 | | | | 5 to 20 | | | | >20 | | | |
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| Weighting | | A | B | C | | A | B | C | | A | B | C |
| Property (domestic) | 10 | | | | 100 | X | | | 200 | | | |
| Property (small retail or business) | 20 | X | | | 200 | | | | 400 | | | |
| Property (large retail or business) | 50 | | | | 500 | | | | 1000 | | | |
| Road or Rail Infrastructure | 30 | | | | 300 | | | | 600 | | | |
| Critical Infrastructure (local) [hospital, school, police/fire/ambulance station, substation, WTW/WWTW, gov bldg, other (specify)] | 50 | X | | | 500 | | | | 1000 | | | |
| Critical Infrastructure (national importance) | 250 | | | | 1000 | | | | 2000 | | | |
| Cultural Heritage Site | 20 | | | | 200 | | | | 400 | | | |
| Environmental Designated Site | 20 | | | | 200 | | | | 400 | | | |
| Hazardous Substances Site | 50 | | | | 500 | | | | 1000 | | | |
| Total SVRS | | | | | | | | | 170 | | | |

2.6 Defence Assets

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| Formal and Informal Flood Defence Assets <i>(include effective and ineffective assets to inform asset survey and potential mitigation measures)</i> | <p>Open Channel Watercourses</p> <p>Man-made river channel <input type="checkbox"/> Flood relief channel <input type="checkbox"/> Canal <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Mill race <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage channels / back drains <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Bridges and Culvert crossings</p> <p>Single Arch bridge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multi-Arch bridge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Single Span bridge <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Span bridge <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Box culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Arch Culvert(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Culverted Watercourses (culvert length is greater than just a crossing)</p> <p>Box culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Arch Culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Culvert(s) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Walls and Embankments</p> <p>Embankment(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Raised wall(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retaining wall(s) <input type="checkbox"/></p> |
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| | <p>Control Structures – weirs, gates, dams</p> <p>Fixed crest weir <input type="checkbox"/> Adjustable weir <input type="checkbox"/> Dam / Barrage <input type="checkbox"/> Sluice gates <input type="checkbox"/> Lock gates <input type="checkbox"/> Radial gates <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Storage</p> <p>On-line storage (natural) <input type="checkbox"/> On-line storage (artificial) <input type="checkbox"/> Off-line storage <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Outfalls</p> <p>Flapped outfall(s) into watercourse <input type="checkbox"/> Unflapped outfall(s) into watercourse <input type="checkbox"/> <i>i.e. from smaller watercourses, drains etc. into river / estuary / sea</i></p> <p>Tidal flap(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Tidal sluice(s) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>i.e. from main watercourse into estuary / sea</i></p> <p>Other</p> <p>Pumping Station <input type="checkbox"/> Erosion Protection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sand Dunes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Additional notes (if required):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rock armour bank protection on right and left bank as watercourse is meandering behind properties u/s of the church. ▪ Potential informal defence on right bank of the river next to the Church. The church lands are approx 2m higher than bed level and the wall on the right bank is approx 0.5m above this. ▪ New wall under construction on left bank at this location. Construction workers confirmed the wall would be extended d/s to meet the bridge wall. However, the wall joins open railings at the u/s end and it is unclear if this will be closed off at this point. |
| <p>2.8 Initial Potential Mitigation Measures</p> | |
| <p>Non-structural measures</p> | <p>Planning and Development control <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Flood forecasting / warning <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Operating Procedures for water level control: <input type="checkbox"/> Public awareness campaign <input type="checkbox"/> Individual property protection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land use management <input type="checkbox"/></p> |
| <p>Structural measures</p> | <p>Strategic development management for floodplain development: <input type="checkbox"/> <i>(integration of measures into strategic development proposals)</i></p> <p>Storage: On-line <input type="checkbox"/> Off-line <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Flow diversion: Flood relief channel <input type="checkbox"/> Flood relief culvert <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Increase conveyance: Bridge works <input type="checkbox"/> Channel works <input type="checkbox"/> Floodplain <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Flood defences: Walls <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Embankments <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Localised works: Defence raising <input type="checkbox"/> In-fill gaps <input type="checkbox"/> Trash screen <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Maintenance works: Culvert / channel clearance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asset maintenance <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Relocation of properties: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Improve existing defences: <input type="checkbox"/> (describe)</p> <p>Other (describe):</p> <p>If required, a defence wall could be constructed on the left bank u/s of the R551 bridge to protect the single property.</p> |

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| Outcomes | | | | |
| PFRA Designation | APSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not an APSR <input type="checkbox"/> IRR <input type="checkbox"/> | | FRI Score: 3426 | |
| Site Ground-truthing of PFRA Assessment (hazard mapping and receptors) | High Confidence (good) | Uncertain | Low Confidence (poor) | Not available |
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| Site Visit Review Score | | | | |
| Recommended Designation | APSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not an APSR <input type="checkbox"/> IRR <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Summary Comments (if required) | <p>There is no fluvial flood history in this town or at the Nursing Home.</p> <p>The town does experience surface water issues from the lands adjacent to the Community Centre.</p> <p>There is potential for blockage at the 3-arch bridge (next to Abbey Hair Studio), and this bridge is already partially blocked. With existing walls on the u/s banks near the bridge, flooding could occur u/s where walls stop, with potential for flooding of several properties on right and left banks.</p> <p>Whilst the nursing home may not be at at high risk of flooding, even without the nursing home included in the PFRA FRI score, the FRI score would still be around 900 points, well above the PFRA threshold for recommendation as a "Community at Risk".</p> <p>It is therefore recommended that Abbeydorney is designated as an APSR.</p> | | | |



Photo 1: Local business (beauty salon) surface water from the community centre located to the west of this building reached 1st step



Photo 2: Watercourse (tributary of the Shanow River) adjacent to the Abbey Hair Studio d/s of the bridge



Photo 3: The Abbey Hair Studio west of watercourse



Photo 4: The 3 Arch Bridge next Abbey Hair Studio (d/s)

