# Newton Stewart FLOOD PROTECTION SCHEME

# Board 12: Short-List Options – Installation of Obstructions on the River Cree

#### Introduction

This option has the potential to reduce water levels within the town.

It would be achieved through the installation of some obstructions on the River Cree, upstream of the town.

## **Option Discussion**

Stakeholder option discussion points:

#### Advantages of Option

- Upstream of town
- Minimal construction work in urban area
- Water held back before reaching town

#### Disadvantages of Option

- Change in sediment transport dynamics in river
- Impediment to passage of protected fish species
- Harmful to local ecology

#### Other Points Raised

• Strict licensing under Environmental Regulations (CAR), which would limit this option

#### Impact on Flood Risk

• No reduction in receptors

### **Option Conclusion**

Stakeholder option discussion:

- Option not progressed
- No reduction in properties flooded
- Potential for morphological change to be introduced
- Significant ecological concerns



Figure 12-1: River Cree Upstream of Newton Stewart



Figure 12-2: 1:200 Year Predicted Flood Outline – Installation of Obstructions on River Cree