

# **Flooding: Fears, Facts and the Future**

*Lessons Learned from 2013*

**6<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

**Sessions House, Maidstone, ME14 1XQ**

Booking information: <https://eventbrite.com/event/14956018855/>

0845 Registration and Coffee

0930 Chairman's opening remarks: Richard Knox-Johnston, Vice President, CPRE Kent

0940 **Safe Development in an era of flooding: experiences in Ashford, as a high housing growth area which is threatened by floods.** Rt Hon Damian Green MP, Vice President, CPRE Kent

**1000 Adapting to a changing climate – is planning policy addressing future flood risk?**

David Thompson, Senior Analyst, Committee on Climate Change

1020 Paul Carter CBE, Leader of Kent County Council

1040 Q & A

1055 Coffee / Tea

1115 **Lessons learned from the storms and floods of Christmas/New Year 2013-14.** Paul Crick, Director of Environment, Planning and Enforcement, Kent County Council

1135 **Preparing for Flooding.** Andrew Pearce, Area Manager (Kent and East Sussex), Environment Agency

1155 **Flood recovery and resilience through partnership working** (a case-study of the Nailbourne Valley following the Winter 2013/14 floods). Max Tant, Flood Risk Manager, Kent County Council

1215 Q & A

1235 Lunch

1335 **The Yalding Experience.** Geraldine Brown, Chairman of Yalding Parish Council

1355 **Making the most of available land: how we can build on flood risk areas safely.**

Espen Østbye-Strøm, Chief Operating Officer, Floodline Developments Limited

1415 Q & A

1430 Tea

1450 **The Romney Marsh Challenge.** Christine Drury, Chairman CPRE Kent

1510 Panel debate and Questions

1540 Chairman's closing remarks

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