

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT NATIONAL INDICATOR SET TECHNICAL HANDBOOK - RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION DOCUMENT**

**Name and address of responding organisation:**  
**Devon County Council**

**Is this your organisation's official response to the consultation? Yes**

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**National Indicator Number:**

189

***Please complete a separate form for each indicator on which you wish to respond***

Indicator Issue	
<b>1. Is the Technical Definition of this indicator clear?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If NO a. What aspects of the technical definition of the indicator are unclear? Please specify clearly - is it in relation to the measurement method, or - on reporting b. Please suggest how the template can be clarified/improved.	<b>SMPs and CFMPs are given as the plans that will be used to monitor this indicator. However, these are strategic policy plans without detailed action plans so would be unsuitable for monitoring progress.</b>
<b>2. Does the Technical Definition for this indicator have any unintended consequences?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If YES a. What are the unintended consequences on this national indicator? b. Can the unintended consequence be avoided? If so, how?	
<b>3. Will the Technical Definitions for this indicator work in practice?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<p>If NO a. Why would this technical definition not work in practice?</p>	<p>Flood and coastal risk management should be monitored on the basis of delivery of specific agreed actions or on the incidence and severity of flooding incidents that are contrary to SMP or CFMP policy.</p>
<p><b>4. Is this indicator defined at the right spatial level?</b></p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/>      No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>a) If not, what level should it be defined at? (including whether information is already gathered and/or reported at that level and if so where, if not, estimated cost of collecting and reporting it)</p>	<p>Flood and coastal risk management should be monitored at a suitable strategic level equivalent to Regional Flood Defence Committee boundaries.</p>
<p><b>5. Should data for this indicator be provided for any or all of the different equalities strands (please tick the relevant box)?</b></p>	<p>Ethnicity <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Gender <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Religion <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Age <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Sexual orientation <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Disability <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other <input type="checkbox"/> (Please specify)</p>
<p>a) For any boxes ticked at 5, is this information already gathered and/or reported and, if so, where? If not, what would be the estimated additional burden of collecting and reporting it?</p>	
<p><b>6. Further comments on the questions above and /or any other comments that are not covered above questions.</b></p>	

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