



Newsletter - July 2013



## Launch of report - 'Observing London: Weather data needed for London to thrive'

LCCP today launched its report 'Observing London: Weather data needed for London to thrive.' Observing London is an assessment of weather data currently available in the capital, but more importantly it highlights what the city actually needs.

Whilst London has a surprising amount of data - currently with around 260 weather stations - it can be inaccessible, unshared and uncoordinated. Improving the access and quality of weather observations in London helps us to better understand and adapt to current and future conditions, ensuring London is a resilient and thriving city.

[Download the report from our website](#)

London Climate Change Partnership will be organising an event at the end of summer to look at how the report's recommendations can be taken forward. If you are interested in further information, please contact Matthew Dear via [observinglondon@climatelondon.org.uk](mailto:observinglondon@climatelondon.org.uk)

## LCCP welcomes new Members

The London Climate Change Partnership is delighted to announce the appointment of the Grantham Research



Institute, University College London and Trucost as our latest Partners.

Our new Partners bring a wealth of expertise to the Partnership and will be contributing to help LCCP make London a more resilient city in a changing climate. [Read full statement.](#)



## In the news

**Professor Chris Rapley, Chair of LCCP** was featured on BBC London News last Friday (12 July) in a piece about how weather in the capital.

**Professor Chris Rapley and Tim Reeder, (Regional Climate Change Programme Manager for the EA)** were featured on a BBC London News item (15 May) that looked at the impact of potential sea level rises and flood risk in London.

**Professor Chris Rapley** had a letter published in the The New Scientist (15 June) about the ice2sea models and how this information will assist work such as Environment Agency's TE2100 flood prevention project.



## Latest blog: Equinox extreme weather guides

Charlotte Tarrant describes how the charity Equinox produced extreme weather guides tailored to people who suffer with mental ill health, drug dependence and alcohol dependence. [Read blog in full](#)

## Further news and events

- On 8 July London Climate Change Partnership in association with Climate UK, the Environment Agency, ADEPT, Department for Transport and CIHT presented a half-day workshop on Local Highways and Climate Resilience. [Click here for a write up and accompanying material.](#)
- **Ministers have announced that [an initial agreement between Government](#)**

[and the Association of British Insurers](#) to ensure people living in the most flood prone areas will be able to access affordable flood insurance. The industry's proposal – called Flood Re – would protect many of those most at risk by effectively placing a limit on flood insurance premiums.

The Government is now seeking powers to address the future availability and affordability of flood insurance through the Water Bill. Further information can be found on the [Defra website](#).

- Earlier this year LCCP [responded to Triennial review of the Environment Agency & Natural England](#). Following the consultation Defra have now published the reports: [EA & NE](#) and [JNCC](#)
- **The National Adaptation Programme was launched** on 1 July in London. [Download the reports here](#).
- Climate Service UK was launched by The Met Office in June. Climate UK released a statement about about how the services of Climate UK and Climate Service UK differ, but are also complementary. Read how the services fit together on the [Climate UK website](#).

## We would like to hear from you!

If you would like to let us know about any projects or events, please write to [matthew.dear@london.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.dear@london.gov.uk)



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