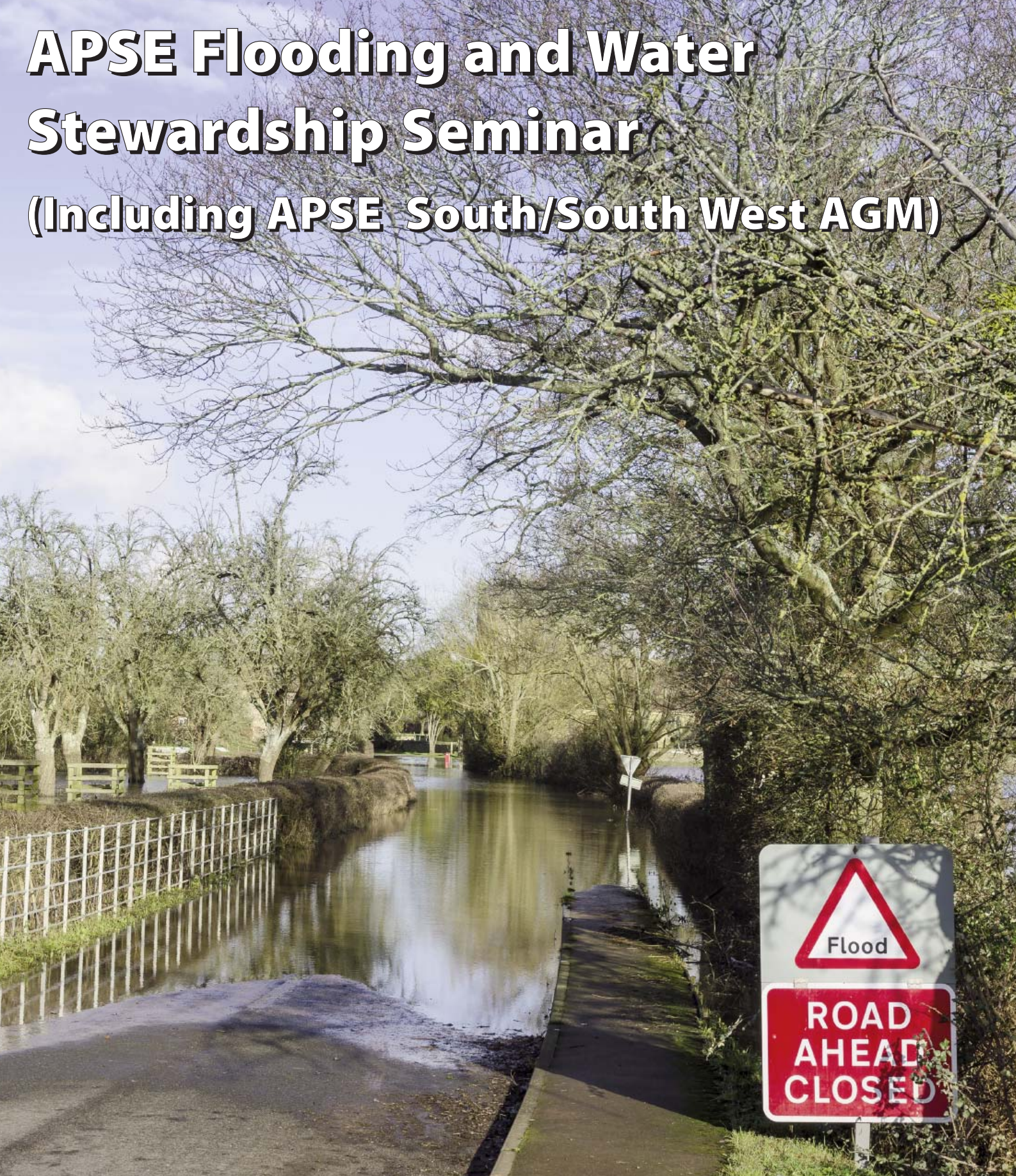


APSE Flooding and Water Stewardship Seminar **(Including APSE South/South West AGM)**



APSE one day seminar at Oxford Spires Four Pillars Hotel, Oxford
Thursday 17th July 2014

Seminar programme

9:30: Registration

10:00: **Session 1**

APSE Welcome

- The Ensuring Council – Active Stewardship and flood management
- Investing in local infrastructure
- How will the APSE network respond to the challenge of flood management?

Speaker: Paul O'Brien, Chief Executive, APSE

Local Water – Findings from APSE Research

- Emerging Issues
- Challenges and Prizes
- Water as an asset for Local Authorities

Speaker: Phil Monaghan, CEO, Infrangilis

11:00: Tea/coffee and exhibition viewing

11:30: **Session 2**

Weather and Climate Change Modelling

- Recent Winter storms - Scale and significance
- Is there any anthropogenic influence as a consequence of CO2 emissions?
- Predicting the frequency of severe weather events

Speaker: Dr Chris Huntingford, Climate Modeller, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology

Developments in the provision of property level flood protection

- What is property level flood protection?
- How has it performed?
- Factors influencing best practise.

Speaker: Peter May, Technical Director, JBA Consulting

12:30: **APSE South/South West AGM**

13:00: Buffet Lunch

13.30: **Session 3**

Flooding – though the key hole

- When your home floods - the effect on individuals
- The impact on the community – support needs, including findings from Surrey recovery
- Disaster to resilience – grassroots communities the key (case studies)

Speaker: Heather Shepherd, Community and Recovery Support Specialist, National Flood Forum

Supporting Communities

- Planning for a (flood) recovery situation - Building community resilience (tactical considerations)
- Identifying and supporting the most vulnerable during a flood – (what works well, what we wished hadn't happened)
- Recovering from a flood – Innovative ways local authorities can assist the recovery process (operational challenges)

Speaker: Paul Hendy, Operations Director, Scottish Flood Forum

14.30 Tea/coffee and exhibition viewing

15:00: **Session 4**

Key note speech

DEFRA (Invited)

Chair's comments

- Saving 23 million, how did Oxford minimise the loss to Oxford's economy due to flooding?
- How do we tackle housing need in a flood-prone area?
- Challenges, opportunities and next steps

Speaker: Cllr Van Coulter, Chair APSE SSW, Oxford City Council.

16:15: Close and departure

Seminar objectives

1 in 7 UK properties and 175,000 businesses are currently vulnerable to the impacts of flooding. By 2080, it is estimated that flood damage will cost the country 27 billion. Equipping a generation for flood resilience and implementing effective flood protection measures is an imperative of our time.

This seminar will provide space to reflect on the Winter Storms of 2013/14 – How did we respond? What would we do the same? What would we do differently?

It features the launch of a research publication, 'Local Water' commissioned by APSE, featuring case studies of Local Authorities' response to the challenge of flooding as well as opportunities for income generation and consideration of how councils are stewarding local water. The author, Philip Monaghan, CEO of the think-tank, Infrangillis will be summarising key findings and copies will be available free for APSE members.

National experts in flood recovery community assistance from the National Flood Forum and the Scottish Flood Forum will be joining us to share the benefits of their experiences assisting Local Authorities to institute effective flood recovery support. Heather Shepherd, Community and Recovery Support Specialist will be speaking from personal experience about what it is like to be flooded.

Dr Chris Huntingford, co-author of 'The Recent Storms and Floods in the UK', published in February 2014 jointly by the Centre of Ecology and Hydrology and the Met office will be giving us a glimpse into the forecast for stormy weather in the future, and Peter May, who managed a review for DEFRA into the performance of property level protection schemes during the 2012 floods will be offering insights into best practise in the field.

Cllr Van Coulter from Oxford City Council and Chair of the APSE South/South West region will be speaking from a wealth of experience as a local politician, working in partnership to protect communities from the impacts of flooding.

Who should attend?

- Chief Executives & Senior Council officers
- Council Leaders and elected members
- Officers/Elected Members with responsibility for driving flood prevention and recovery
- Partners of Local Authorities in flood recovery – contractors, suppliers and voluntary organisations.
- Representatives of flood protection/ flood resilience community groups
- Professionals who care for water-ways and other local water assets
- Housing professionals
- Emergency planning officers
- Planning and development officers
- Social care professionals
- Community development officers
- Communications officers

Reserve your place now by completing the booking form and faxing it or emailing to Dan Thorpe at APSE on 0161 772 1811 or dthorpe@apse.org.uk

The Venue

Oxford Spires Four Pillars Hotel

Abingdon Road
Oxford
OX1 4PS

10 minute drive from Oxford train station

Free car parking is available

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