# Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Co. Co. Screen/Blockage Impact & Risk Assessment

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## **Contract Brief**

JBA were appointed by DLRCC to identify, investigate, model and provide mitigation advice for 21 culverts within the county.

DLRCCs main requirements are centred on:

- 1. Understanding risk related to culvert screens and the appropriateness of their design;
- 2. Understanding the risk posed by blockage at culverts.

The information will then be used for:

- 1. Management of Screens/Culverts:
- 2. Emergency Planning;
- 3. OPW Minor Works Applications.







#### Services

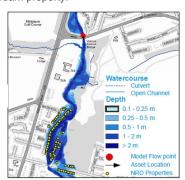
- 1. Flood history data collection;
- 2. Conduct a site visit of each culvert;
- 3. Assess the risk posed by the culvert screen and;
  - a. Determine whether the screen is appropriate, or;
  - b. If a screen is required for the culvert;
  - c. Recommend management/mitigation actions;
- 4. Assess the impact of blockage to the local area;
  - a. Provide a flow estimate at each site;
  - b. Conduct JFlow/JScreen Hydraulic modelling;
  - c. Assess potential flooded property numbers
  - d. Investigate risk/economic costs;
- 5. Present standalone report for each site (OPW Minor Works compatible) highlighting risk and management options;
- 6. Provide a summary risk report (excel format) for all agreed sites including risk ranked summary for screen and culvert blockage.

### **Outcomes**

The standalone reports in combination with the summary risk report in MS Excel have allowed Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council (DLRCC) to better understand the scale and nature of potential screen and culvert blockage impacts across the county and adopt a risk based approach to the maintenance and mitigation of flood risk from their trash screens and culverts.

Focussing attention on structures that have been identified as posing a risk to property prior to an actual flood event taking place is a key benefit of the study. Identifying the appropriateness of trash screen design and positioning also assists with effective mitigation of debris collection.

JBA adopted a catchment based approach that has identified a potential attenuation storage area in an upstream parkland. This is now being investigated under a separate commission and will hopefully contribute to additional reductions in flood risk to downstream property.









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