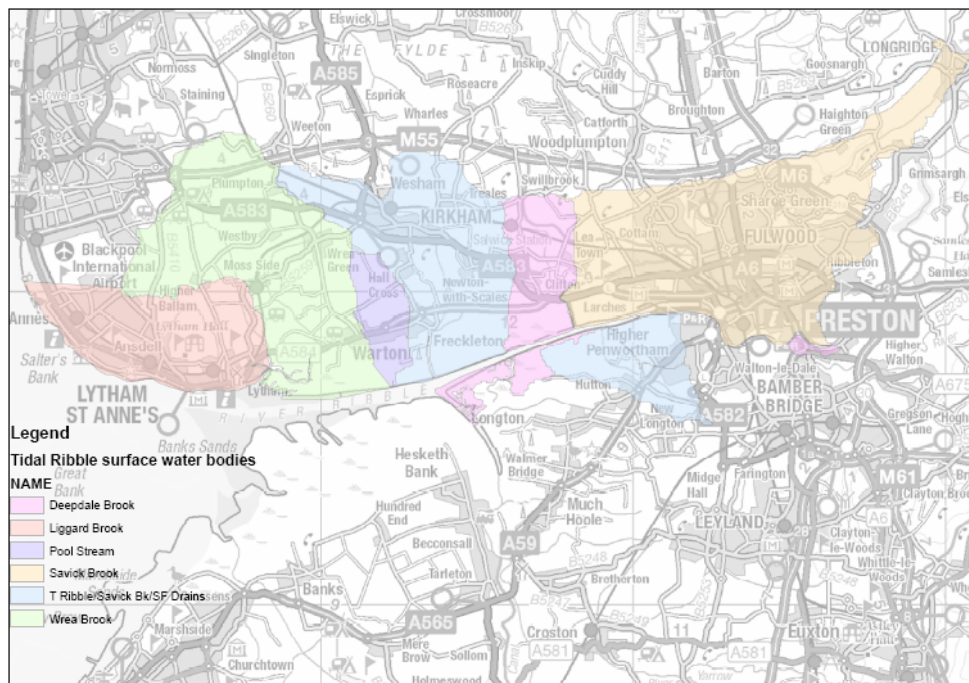


Ribble Life update!

Findings of the DEFRA Evidence and Measures project for the tidal Ribble

As part of our drive for a healthier river, a small team funded by Defra and the Environment Agency have been working on the 'tidal' part of the River Ribble (the area of the Ribble influenced by the tides) from Lytham St Annes to Longridge. Titled the Evidence and Measures project their remit is to look at and understand the data and evidence available on the Tidal Ribble to tackle failing waterbodies under the Water Framework Directive (WFD). The evidence used is from the Environment Agency and it's partners, data is both current and historic.

The ultimate aim of the initiative is to help use evidence and data to transform our knowledge into specific actions on the ground. These will form part of the Ribble Life catchment action plan for the Tidal Ribble. Can you help?

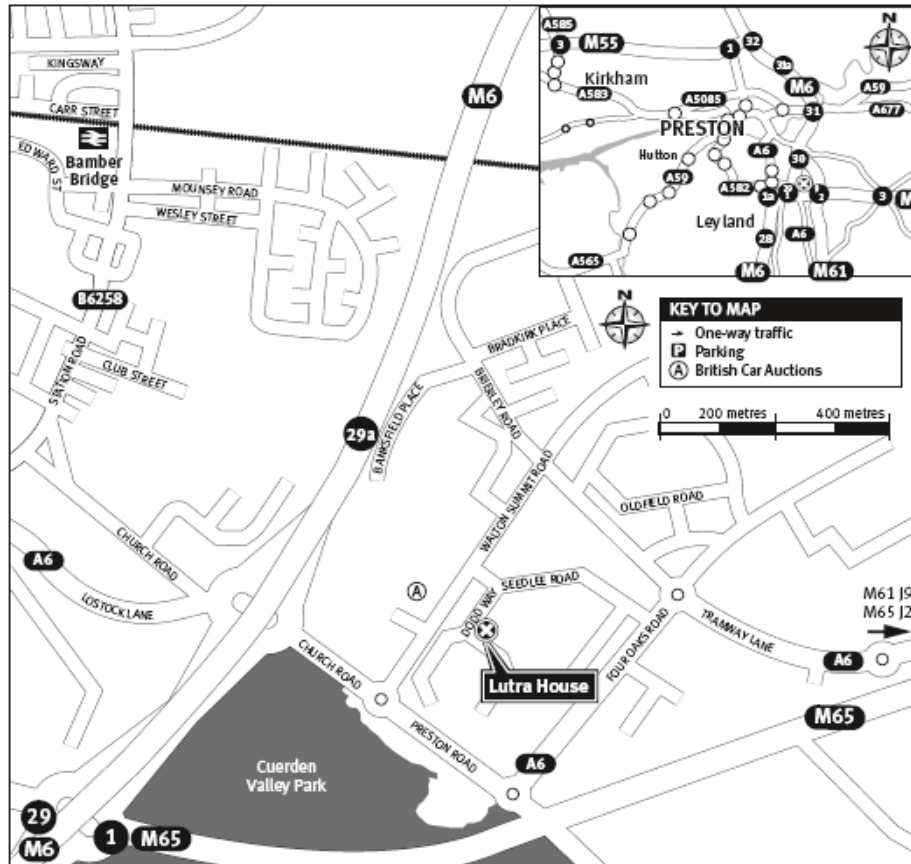


First Causes' Workshop 29th March

The team is offering you the chance to come along to a full day workshop to listen to a presentation on the findings and initial conclusions on the causes of failure. This is a hands on technical workshop aimed at those who work on or know the tidal Ribble. This is your opportunity to contribute your knowledge and understanding to ensure we have utilised all sources of information available.

Following this there will be a further 2 workshops in April and May. The second will be looking at the results of the first workshop and any new evidence considered. The third will be identifying evidence based actions (measures) that will help deliver the water framework directive in the tidal Ribble.

The first workshop will take place on the 29th March at the Environment Agency office Lutra House, Preston at 10:00.



Please confirm you would like to attend and for further information please contact Anne Marie Bowman on anne-marie.bowman@environment-agency.gov.uk or 01772 714180