



Surface water flooding
 Lead local flood authorities (county councils or unitary authorities) manage the risk of surface water flooding

Private drainage (surface water)
 These pipes are the responsibility of the home owner

Highway drainage

- The local highway authority (county councils or unitary authorities) is responsible for highways drainage, and gullies, on the roads they maintain
- Highways England is responsible for highways drainage on trunk roads and motorways

River and coastal flooding

- The Environment Agency manages flood risk from main rivers and the sea and also monitors the quality of watercourses
- The local lead flood authority (county councils or unitary authorities) manage flood risk from ordinary watercourses
- Internal Drainage Boards manage water levels of ordinary watercourses in areas known as internal drainage districts
- Riparian owners have certain legal rights and responsibilities to maintain watercourses (including drainage ditches) which run through or adjacent to their land or property

Groundwater flooding
 Lead local flood authorities (county councils or unitary authorities) manage the risk of groundwater flooding

Private drainage (foul)
 These pipes are the responsibility of the home owner up to the point they connect with the public sewer, usually at the boundary of the property

Public foul sewers
 Water and sewerage companies manage the risks of flooding from foul or combined sewers serving buildings and yards

Public surface water sewers
 Water and sewerage companies manage the risks of flooding from public surface water sewers (where these exist) serving buildings and yards

