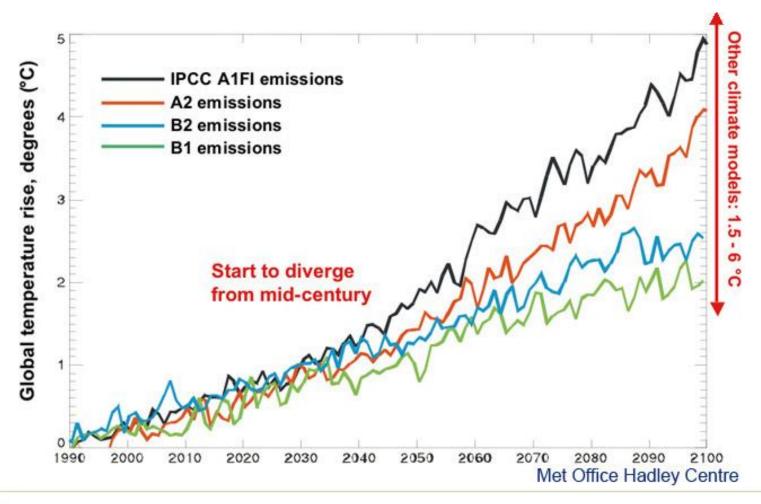


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# An introduction

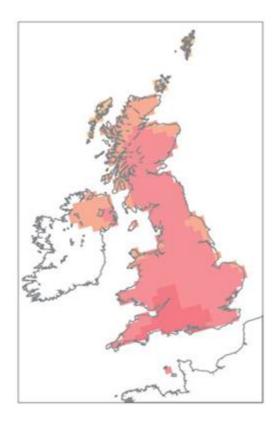
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# Adaptation: the rationale





# **Adaptation in the UK: Context**



- Establishment of UKCIP (1997)
- The Climate Change Act (2008)
- UK Climate Projections (2009)
- ◆ EA takes on Climate Ready role (2011)
- Climate Change Risk Assessment (2012)
- Climate Local (2012)
- National Adaptation Programme (2013)













### **Adaptation: The business case**

#### Avoiding unexpected costs:

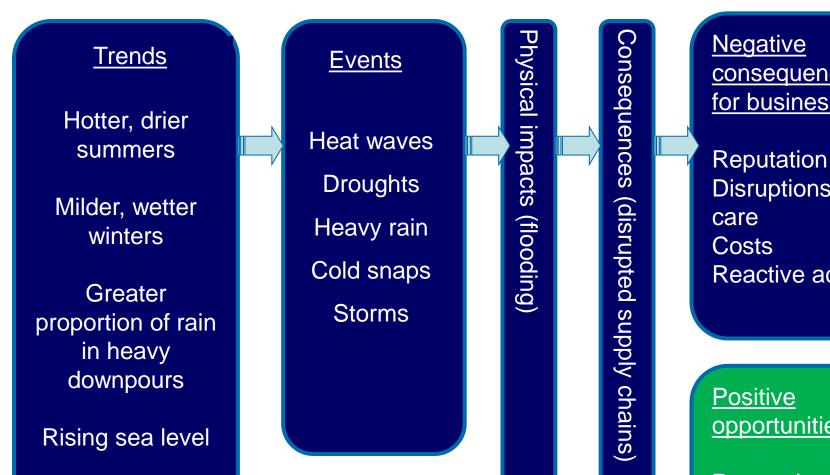
- Service interruption
- Continuity of care
- Cost of repairing damage
- Costly reactive work
- Reputational loss

#### **Exploiting opportunities:**

- Reputation: demonstrating resilience through planning
- Making services and buildings resilient for additional change



# Adaptation can alter the chain of events



**Negative** consequences for businesses

Disruptions in Reactive action

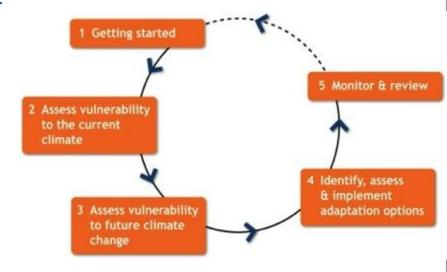
<u>opportunities</u>

Reputation

Increased efficiency

# **The Adaptation Wizard**

- An on-line tool to help organisations adapt to climate change
- Provides an iterative 5-step process to -
  - Assess sensitivity to current weather and future climate changes
  - identify key climate risks
  - identify, appraise and implement options to address key risks
  - monitor and review
- The Wizard draws on a number of other tools and resources
- Available from the Resources section on www.environment-agency.gov.uk/climateready







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