P-NC-01: Drewton Beck

Following the 2007 Floods, Royal Haskoning produced a report for the EA. This stated that Drewton Beck drains 25% of the catchment above North Cave and that one option to reduce flooding along the beck in North Cave would be to create a Flood Alleviation Scheme (FAS) to the south-east of the village (see right) at an estimated cost of £2,661,399 (2008 prices). It is likely that flood storage in this area would substantially affect any growing crops. The proposal was not developed beyond this draft, as far as we know.

Drewton Beck itself runs some 2km east of the A1034, into the Wolds, and 2km west before its confluence with North Cave Beck. Unfortunately, to date, we have been to unable to engage with the landowners east of the A1034 - The Drewton Estate. However, Hull University is liaising with the landowner west of the A1034 regarding survey access to this stretch of the beck. It is partially wooded along its length and runs in a narrow valley which, in places, offers opportunities for NFM interventions.

It would be particularly interesting to consider the potential performance, viability and cost of NFM along Drewton Beck, as compared to the cost and performance of the 2008 FAS proposal. The best option would be to consider the entire length and catchment (including side-drains) of the Beck. Necessarily, this will be subject to landowner approval.





