British Home Owners Lack Flood Protection According To Ratedpeople.com

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LONDON, UK (RPRN) 11/05/09 — The flooding over the weekend nudged the rising concern about houses being built on floodplains and the cost of repairing houses affected, according to Ratedpeople.com, the UK's largest match making service for home improvers and recommended tradesmen.

The weekend news has been filled with flood warnings and flooding in parts of the UK, with Scotland and Wales being hit especially badly. Consequently, insurance companies are preparing to pay out huge amounts for renovation, relocation, and rebuilding. The true extent of the flooding cannot yet be judged as more floods are expected.

Ottokar Rosenberger, Sales and Marketing Director of Ratedpeople.com, commented: "Reports have revealed that there is a lack of knowledge about the land being used for housing developments. Developers are being distracted by money-making potential, rather than having future home owners at the centre of their planning."

Government money is starting to speed up the progression of flood defenses; however, there's a call for insurance companies to lead the way in protecting home owners from flooding, as housing developers are not taking enough steps to avoid these tragic situations.

When a house has been damaged by flooding, the extent of the damage rapidly increases inch by inch and, research published earlier this year by Halifax claims that the average claim for a flood damaged property is £20,000.

Ratedpeople.com helps home improvers find recommended tradesmen quickly and easily. You can choose from 24 different trades and find tradesmen such as local builders, floor fitters or a registered electrician.

Every month, Ratedpeople.com manages over £30m in home improvement projects with more than 1,000 tradesmen signing up, making it the UK's largest match making service for home improvers and recommended tradesmen. There are more than 55,000 ratings on Ratedpeople.com to date and its system ensures that tradesmen are only rated by previous customers who find them through the site. This results in one of the fairest and most robust rating systems on the web.

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