

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF NORMANDY FLOOD FORUM HELD ON FRIDAY  
2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER AT PIRBRIGHT VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING AT 13:00**

Present

Mr Jonathan Lord MP	Chairman
Cllr Keith Witham	SCC
Cllr A McLeod	NPC
Cllr P Tugwell	NPC
Mr S Tarrant	GBC
Mr I Parr	Environment Agency
Ms Helen Barnsley	GBC
Mr Ben Crampin	SCC
Ms Sarah Alford-Naidu	SCC

<b>1</b>	<b>WELCOME</b> The Chairman welcomed all those present and invited each to present themselves.
<b>2</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b> An apology was received in respect of Alice Keeping (Thames Water) and Patrick Giles (SCC)
<b>3</b>	<b>PURPOSE OF THE FLOOD FORUM</b> The last meeting had taken place in November 2019 and since that date there has been a substantial change in personnel, specifically within NPC. It was agreed that this meeting (02/12/21) should revisit previous actions and consider new issues the Council have become aware of.

#### **4 MATTERS ARISING**

##### Westwood Lane

Following the reinforcement work undertaken by Network Rail, there continues to be pooling on the carriageway following rain. ST advised this is likely to be due to the grill preventing drainage into the culvert. If this continues, NPC could request for a change in the grill.

Each time there is flooding, residents should be encouraged to report this to [flooding@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:flooding@surreycc.gov.uk)

##### Wanborough Station Car Park Flooding

JL updated that replacement pipes were fitted in April 2019 and that NR continue to visit more regularly to attend to drain blockages however despite this NPC representatives are aware that this continues to be a problem area. Any flooding needs to be reported to Network Rail. Representatives from NR to be invited to the next meeting.

##### Pipe under the Railway – Beech Lane

ST updated on the previous position, that the pipe that has been fitted is of insufficient size and due to its position on land owned by Network Rail, GBC can't enforce.

AM stated there had not been any recent reports of flooding at this location to NPC which could either be due to the new Councillors, the dry summer or the work undertaken by NR.

It was agreed to close this action, but to monitor the issue and re-open if there does continue to be a problem in the area.

##### Glaziers Lane – area near to the Poplars

There has been an ongoing issue with Sewage flooding local properties, Thames Water had been involved and visited and spoken with impacted residents about options for preventing this.

Unsure if this remains an issue.

ACTION – Cllr KW to write to Mr DK (resident) to understand the issue.

##### Pirbright Road

No recent reports, this action can be closed.

##### Pirbright Road, junction with Huntshill Road

No recent reports, this action can be closed.

##### Glaziers Lane / Guildford Road junction

No recent reports, this action can be closed.

##### Glaziers Lane, opposite Heritage Cottages

There is a possible crushed drain causing the road to sink and pools of water to develop after rain. Possible road safety issue.

Encourage residents to report to Thames Water and SCC Highways.

5	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>ST asked a question about the future development of Manor Fruit Farm. AM updated that the new NPC did not currently have plans to continue the development in line with previous plans until wider engagement with residents of the village had been completed. AM updated on plans to run a village survey.</p> <p>It was recommended that a question about flooding should be included in the village survey to act as a reminder of the NFF and to encourage reporting of repetitive and consistent flooding issues.</p> <p>HB provided an update on her role in relation to contingency planning and prevention. If there are opportunities for her to engage with the community to discuss preventative plans and community responsibilities she would be happy to be involved.</p> <p>£33m is being made available over the next 10 years from both national Government and SCC to deliver the flood risk strategy. It is important that there is accurate data that reflects flooding issues in Surrey (properties, gardens, driveways, businesses). The data is used to identify priority areas for partnership action, this includes maintenance work.</p> <p><b>ACTION</b> – AM to draft an article for the NPC Village magazine to raise awareness of the importance of reporting.</p>
10	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting should be on Fri 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (12:30 for a 12:45 start) at the same venue if possible (<b>ACTION</b> liaise with PPC).</p>