



Wyre Making Space for Water Meeting

Hambleton Sub-Group

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 04 March 2020
at Wyre Civic Centre.

PRESENT:

Paul Long (PL)	Wyre Council (WC) – Chair
Graeme Kelly (GK)	Environment Agency (EA)
Christine Hamilton (CH)	Environment Agency
Alistair Graham (AG)	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Mark O'Donnell (MD)	Lancashire County Council (Highways)
Keith Ashcroft (KA)	United Utilities (UU)
Katie Duffy (KD)	United Utilities
Phil Wylie (PW)	United Utilities

APOLOGIES:

Carl Green	Wyre Council
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Wednesday 04 March 2020, 1.00pm start

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Areas of concern – updates
 - a. Carr Lane
 - b. Sherbourne Road
 - c. UU sewers / pumping stations
 - d. Watercourses
 - e. Culverted watercourse
 - f. LCC highway drainage
 - g. Outfall to Wardleys Creek
4. Issues from Flood Forum and FLAGS
5. Issues and Actions update
6. New Issues
7. Any other business
8. Next meeting
 - Proposed 28 May 2020, 1.30pm start

1. **INTRODUCTIONS:**

PL welcomed everyone to the meeting and everyone introduced themselves.

2. **APOLOGIES:**

Apologies were noted as above.

3. **AREAS OF CONCERNS – UPDATES:**

a. Carr Lane

MD confirmed that LCC were currently installing an additional drain outside The Coppins, Carr Lane in order to alleviate the continued flooding of the highway in this vicinity. The new drain will discharge to the watercourse adjacent to Carlyn.

He added that the culvert under Carr Lane, adjacent to Carlyn, would also be cleared and a trash screen installed to prevent further blockages in the culvert.

Action: LCC

MD raised concern that the watercourse to the west of the properties on Carr Lane was in poor order and asked that the EA carry out additional works to aid the flow of water in the watercourse. CH agreed to raise this with colleagues.

Action: CH

b. Sherbourne Road

PL informed the meeting that he had recently attended a Hambleton Parish Council meeting and concerns re the connection of the highway drainage on Sherbourne Road and Kiln Lane had been raised. He noted that the official UU plans did not include a section of highway drains known to exist (but buried under the highway).

AG produced a copy of the drainage as discovered by LCC in 2013 and agreed to locate a CCTV survey of the area for information.

Action: AG

c. UU Sewers / Pumping Stations

KA informed the meeting that UU have been undertaking investigation works in the Hambleton area to establish the cause, and hence solution, to the flooding issues that are being encountered.

KD reported that Flying Start has been working in the area and was plotting the drainage system; any new information would be updated on the official plans. She said that any defects with the system would be resolved and any cross connections would be discussed with residents.

He said that UU have modelled the area and confirmed that there was significantly more water noted in the foul system than there should be, and he queried whether the highway drainage has been connected to the foul rather than the local surface water network. UU are planning to install a number of flow monitors in their system to identify areas where flow is higher than expected.

PW noted that pumping stations in the area (at Sower Carr lane, Green Meadow Lane, Brickhouse Lane, Sherbourne Road and Kiln Lane) were designated at combined systems, although PL queried why this was the case as there is a separate surface water network in the area.

d. Watercourses

PL noted that the FLAG has raised a number of issues with local watercourse, including that on Marsh Lane leading to Pegs Pool. EA to look into the matters raised and report back to the Flood Forum as normal.

e. Culverted Watercourse

PL noted that concerns have been raised by the Parish Council and FLAG about the culverted watercourse that runs through much of the village. The culverted is privately owned and maintained by riparian owners, but concerns have been raised that owners are unaware of the existence of this watercourse nor of their legal responsibilities. It is not known when the watercourse was last cleared or its current condition.

PL agreed that WC would carry out an initial survey of the surface water drainage system in the village, including the culverted watercourse, to establish, as far as was possible, the condition of the system. Works to be undertaken week being 9 March so that a brief report could be made to the Flood Forum on 12 March.

Action: PL

f. LCC Highways Drainage

MD reiterated the works currently being undertaken by LCC on Carr Lane. He raised additional concern about the private drainage opposite Queensland and the condition of the culverted watercourse to the south of Sanderling Drive. This to be investigated with riparian owners.

g. Outfall to Wardleys Creek

EA are still planning to install an eel pass onto the tidal flap at Wardleys Creek.

5. ISSUES FROM FLOOD FORUM AND FLAGS

Issues have been covered above – any reports arising will be reported back to the Making Space for Water group and to the Flood Forum

6. ISSUES AND ACTIONS UPDATE:

Actions will be updated in the Issues & Actions list submitted to the Flood Forum

7. NEW ISSUES:

No other issues were raised.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

9. NEXT MEETING:

28 May 2020, 1.30pm start