

MINUTES FOR DIG MEETING

16th March 2022 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Peter Cannon (Chairman, HVRA), Paul Woodford (Treasurer, HVRA), Matt Hopkins (Deputy Chairman, DIG), Debs Lemon (Deputy Secretary, DIG), Simon Kearey (Hughenden Parish Council)

Apologies: Sara Mustapha

	Action
<p>1. General Items</p> <p>1.1 MH gave a report on the drainage works carried out at Boss Lane Farm and Pipers, plus the ditch clearance outside Broomhedge.</p> <p>1.2 PW told the meeting about Jill Armshaw from Bryants Bottom showing interest in the DIG especially in relation to their drainage issues. Jill is the newly appointed parish councillor for Hughenden, she is also planning to assist as a Road Rep for Bryants Bottom.</p> <p>1.3 PC attended the Flood Resilience Training. It was not specific to our area and rather more a nationwide initiative and more related to large river flooding</p> <p>1.4 We will look at the Harrow area to see what we can offer to help reduce the regularity of flooding there. The main problem seems to be the likelihood of silting up of the culvert from the Harrow down the valley and its lack of maintenance. We will follow up with TfB and also the Bucks CC Strategic Flood Management team.</p>	<p>PW will contact Jill to arrange visit to discuss</p> <p>PW will copy Jill on training materials and put onto website</p> <p>PW and MH will seek to get the main culvert to Deeters jetted through.</p> <p>MH will look for Bucks CC asset list to help with this & the AOB culvert.</p>

<p>2. Bucks CC/TfB</p> <p>2.1 Jonathan Roberts, the TfB drainage engineer had indicated that he had been unable to help with the culvert levels and Ashdene pipeage issue at the corner in Boss Lane. This leaves the problem stalled and we discussed how best to push this forward.</p> <p>Jonathan had felt that in times of flood, overpumping might be a solution but MH considers the could easily be too much water to make pumping effective.</p> <p>2.2 Bucks CC seem to have done little about consultations with partners (DIG is one) that were meant to take place late 2021.</p> <p>2.3 The only work budgeted for the Valley by TfB this year is for the re-surfacing at the bottom of Trees Rd to reduce ponding.</p>	<p>MH will contact the Bucks CC Strategic Flood Management people to see if this can be covered by a GRACE project.</p> <p>MH will follow up to find out what if anything is happening here</p>
<p>3. Thames Water</p> <p>3.1 PW reported on the DWMP (Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan). This is a 25 year rolling infrastructure plan covering the Little Marlow area. This follows the BRAVA workshop where the DIG reported the Hughenden Valley Flooding Risks.</p> <p>A review of the plan is expected in July 2022. This will be accompanied by a 'Catchment Strategy Plan. We understand that the results of this planning will be built into the 2025-2030 business plan.</p> <p>3.2 PW also reported on the GISMP (Groundwater Impacted System Management Plan). This means plans for dealing with groundwater entering the sewage system. Last year's TW works in Warrendene Rd carried out dealing of tops but also lined 139 metres of sewer.</p> <p>PW showed a GISMP document which showed new monitors installed at Warrendene and down through the Valley. These will focus on providing stats on leakage into the system and will identify further lining/fixing possibilities. It is expected also that Look & Lift CCTV surveys will be carried out periodically this year.</p> <p>MH suggested that the lowest points in the Valley (Boss Lane where it meets Valley Rd through to the Surgery) is most prone to leakage into the system because of the high water table)</p>	<p>PW will contact TW with a view to getting lining undertaken in lower Hughenden Valley</p>
<p>4. Affinity</p> <p>4.1 No contact has been received from Affinity regarding the</p>	

<p>maintenance/survey of the culverts at the site. Roger Hewitt has offered to make several calls to try and get pressure exerted.</p> <p>We will seek out the surveyor's (Chris King) manager so that we can escalate the matter.</p>	<p>PW to contact Affinity Estate Management</p>
<p>5. AOB</p> <p>5.1 There had been several reports of water laying the field and also water coming up through the road in Valley Rd at the bottom of Cryers Hill, near the bus stop. On the very wet Tuesday 15th March, PW spotted a blocked culvert of the field side behind the bus stop at the bottom of Cryers Hill, which was likely the cause.</p>	<p>PW raised a FixMyStreet case for this.</p>