

DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING: 13th Sept. 2021

AGENDA ITEMS: 10. Flooding & 11. Grounds

Report to Council

Dated: 10th Sept 2021

Subject: Lead Members Report

GROUND and FLOODING and DRAINAGE Reports SEPTEMBER 2021

FLOODING REPORT.

1. The DPC assessment of the Volker Barrel Arch Survey has been forwarded to the Borough. We await their response.
2. A meeting with Sue Fox, Contracts Manager for RBWM and Joe Hinchman of RBWM has been arranged to take place at the Parish Office on 15th September, Cllr Loveridge and myself will be present to discuss the Locating of flap valves and their supporting structures within the Eton End Railway underpass and the other at the Datchet Common Brook / Rec Ditch intersection at Penn Road.
3. The DPC will be providing a Press Release regarding the intention to form a Flood Risk Action Group consisting of the Four Parishes, Old Windsor, Horton, Wraysbury, and Datchet with the intention to approach the Government for funding a Channel 1 project from the stated £8.2 B stated for Flood Alleviation. This Project would safeguard the Channel 1 parts of Surrey, and provide additional protection to Channel 2 sections of Surrey.
4. We await confirmation of a meeting to take place with Thames Water regarding the Penn Road intersection Project, their intended representative was pinged. Meanwhile we will proceed with RBWM.
5. A new weather App has been passed to our flooding team which could prove useful in our flooding season.
6. The EA have contacted the DPC requesting accurate data relating to the 2014 flood event, to improve their own data records which may help with future modelling and location of improved local flood defences.

GROUNDS REPORT.

1. The tree reduction of low branches within the Cemetery has been completed re Grounds survey. Thanks to Don Lyons-Davis for his assistance.
2. The motor pressure washer has been serviced by the Grounds team and made operational, however there may be a wear problem with the pump unit which may require further attention by the manufacturer.
3. Areas of grass on the rear of the rec have been cut back to provide picnic spots in the shade beneath the trees.

4. The Christmas tree order is subject to the Council's agreement at this month's meeting.
5. Additional Christmas lights for Horton Road are subject to availability by the supplier, a possible import delivery problem.
6. It is an intention that planting of wild flowers at the rear of the Recreation Ground and Mill Place should take place for display next year, should "Wild About Datchet," be interested in being involved in this project we would be pleased to hear from them.

Cllr Ian Thompson, LM Grounds and LM Flooding and Drainage.