

Datchet Parish Council

DOC 2 PAGE 1

1 Allen Way
Datchet
Berkshire
SL3 9HR

Web: www.datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk

Graham J. Leaver Clerk

Email: Clerk@datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk

Tel: 01753 773499

Mobile: 07973 730022

Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead
Town Hall, St Ives Road,
Maidenhead
Berkshire, SL6 1RF.

27th February 2015

For the attention of Mrs Sue Fox

Dear Sue,

Reference: Thames Water Section of the Datchet Common Brook

Following on from our recent joint inspection of the Datchet Common Brook together with Thames Water representatives and your consultant from WSP Consulting Engineers, it was his recommendation, confirming our own, that a one way flap valve should be installed at the intersection pipe outlet to the Recreation Ground Ditch to prevent water backflow into central Datchet.

~~With regard to the planning approval given to Messrs Cemex, there is an intention for them to discharge an undisclosed volume of slurry water from the proposed Riding Court Road site into the Datchet Common Brook.~~

Currently there is a water backflow problem from the Datchet Common Brook, of which you are aware, and therefore ask what is occurring following your consultants recommendation to provide the necessary protection from the present uncontrolled rain water flow and what will be in the future sediment loaded additional and continuous water volumes leading to increased water levels within the Datchet Common Brook ~~relative to Cemex activities.~~

The proposal to install the necessary valve is part of the Datchet Flood Defence Schemes which have been placed before the Borough, therefore we need to progress this item with some urgency in co-ordination with all parties that have an interest in the site.

Your proposals for this issue would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Ian Thompson
SPOKESPERSON FOR FLOODING
DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL

cc. Cllr Jesse Grey
Hilary Murgatroyd – Thames Water
Cllr Don Lyons-Davis
Cllr Denny Loveridge

IT.jf.DPC.RBWM-S.Fox-Thames Water Section – Datchet Common Brook/Flooding.27.02.15

Graham Leaver

DOC 2 PAGE 2

To: hilary.murgatroyd@thameswater.co.uk
Cc: thompsoneda@talktalk.net; Cllr Grey; Sue.Fox@RBWM.gov.uk; 'ldatdpc@tesco.net'; 'tdscomm@yahoo.com'
Subject: Thames Water Section of the Datchet Common Brook

Dear Hilary,

Re: Thames Water Section of the Datchet Common Brook

There was a recent inspection of this section of the Datchet Common Brook that runs within the Thames Water Queens Mother Reservoir land for which Thames Water are the riparian owners.

The persons present representing RBWM and Datchet Parish Council all agreed that clearing of the watercourse was a necessity with concern that large trees had broken and fallen into the watercourse and were creating blockages and additionally that situation had occurred in many places leading to excessive river bed rise and reducing watercourse capacity in the time of flooding.

Your manager was expressing the view that the clearing of the watercourse of obstructions would be over a five year period beginning with the large trees removal and that this timescale was cost related.

This work projection is not acceptable to Datchet Parish Council as a flood condition is expected within that time span based on recent flood events since 2003, therefore we ask Thames Water to provide a more realistic projection together with a structured maintenance programme, as this watercourse will be conducting more water than at present within the near future thus increasing the flooding risk to Datchet Village.

Should a reasonable agreement of works and timescales be conducted then the flooding risk could be considerably reduced.

Meanwhile we look forward to receiving your views on the above.

Regards

**Cllr Ian Thompson
SPOKESPERSON FOR FLOODING
DATCHET PARISH COUNCIL**

27/02/2015

DOC 2 PAGE 3

Subject: Fw[2]: Datchet Common Brook.
From: "Katy Jones" <clerkcppc@outlook.com>
Sent: 04/11/2015 10:52:57
To: customer.feedback@thames.water.co.uk; ewan@jubileeriver.co.uk; bob.cunningha

Please see attached for your information.

Katy

Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer
 Datchet Parish Council

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Ian Thompson" <thompsoneda@talktalk.net>
To: customer.feedback@thames.water.co.uk
Cc: racheal.f-m@thameswater.co.uk; "'Katy Jones'" <katy.jones@datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk>; "'Ewan Larcombe'" <ewan@jubileeriver.co.uk>
Sent: 01/11/2015 17:52:04
Subject: FW: Datchet Common Brook.

David

These issues were raised at the recent PFLG meeting together with clearance of the rubbish on your land facing Majors Farm Road Datchet, which there has been no response to date.

Please advise.

Regards,

Cllr Ian Thompson.

From: Ian Thompson [<mailto:thompsoneda@talktalk.net>]
Sent: 06 October 2015 15:41
To: david.harding@thameswater.co.uk
Cc: 'Clerk for Datchet Parish Council'; 'Larcombe Ewan'; 'Cllr Grey'; Bob Cunningham
Subject: Datchet Common Brook.

Dear David,

Can you please confirm what progress has been made in regard to clearing the Datchet Common Brook that runs within the boundary of the Queen Mother Reservoir within Datchet.

As you may recall that the Council were concerned that siltation had resulted in bed rise, this had two consequences, firstly it resulted in diversion of water flow into the Datchet recreation ground ditch and flooding the Datchet drainage system together with the introduction of unwanted siltation, and secondly reduces the volume of storage capacity within the channel in time of flooding and high river water levels.

Your response would be appreciated.

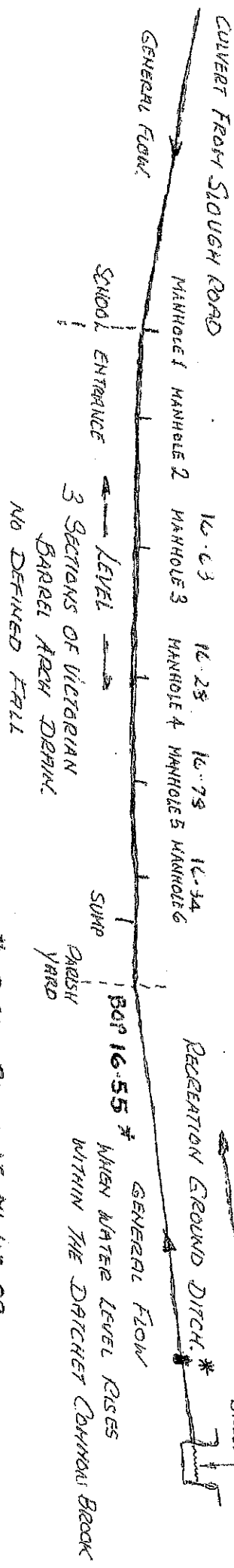
Regards,

Cllr Ian Thompson.

To Sue Fox R B W M.

Doc 2 Page 4

THE CURRENT BARREL ARCH DRAINAGE SYSTEM
SECTION SHOWING PRINCIPLE OF LEVELS THROUGH DITCHET PARISH.



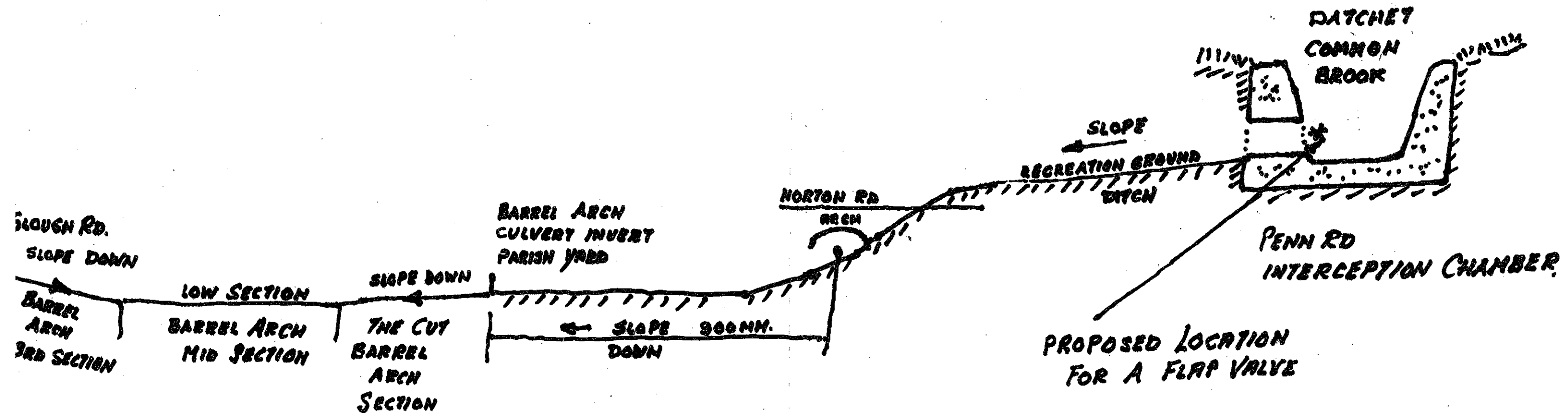
* BOP 17.35
DITCH BASE 16.19, 16.09, 16.25.

SLOPE FROM HORTON RD DATUM 17.35.
TO PARISH YARD DATUM 16.55

00.80 METRE.

SKETCH OF DITCHET
WATER COURSE SYSTEM

23RD NOVEMBER 2015.
Iain Thompson, D.P.C.



PROBLEM :-

THE LOCATION OF THE REC DITCH BRANCH OF THE INTERCEPTION CHAMBER IS LOCATED ON A HIGHER GROUND LEVEL TO EITHER THE REC DITCH AND THE BARREL ARCH SYSTEM WITHIN CENTRAL DATCHET.

SOLUTION :-

PREVENT UNWANTED WATER FROM ELSEWHERE CONTAINED WITHIN THE DATCHET COMMON BROOK ENTERING THE REC DITCH / BARREL ARCH SYSTEM.