

Hambleton Flood Action Group Meeting

11th November 2020

Agenda

1. Welcome & Apologies
2. Recent Flooding Issues
3. Issues and Actions Log
4. New items for Log
5. Any other issues
6. Future Meetings

Attendees: Paul Long (PL) Lynn Squires (LS) Julie Robinson (JR)
Yvonne Walton (YW) Dianne Booth (DB) Mike O'Flaherty (MOF)
Mo Knowles (MK)

1. PL welcomed all to the meeting
2. Recent flooding was discussed covering major areas of impact on Carr Lane (flooding to houses), Kiln Lane, Market Street, Marsh Lane.
3. MOF suggested that some items listed on the I&A Log be split down to a lower level as consolidated items included areas with differing issues.
Carr Lane had new piping installed, however there must be an issue downstream. It was reported that the owners of the Country Park had piped a ditch but created a backing point behind the property known as The Coppins. Other issues had been created eg a dike had been covered without consent and not correctly completed. Funding had been made available to help alleviate pressure from Sherbourne Road/Kiln Lane £30K to be spent by 31st March.
Wardleys Creek – as outflow is below high tide level when heavy rain coincides with high tide water cannot be discharged. Query was raised re potential for creation of pumps but PL reported that this was not an ideal solution and that they are considering installing outflows at a higher level.
Query was raised re River Defense Scheme but it was felt that this was several years off.
PL reported that Watercourses (WC) N of Carr Lane and Private were full.
Kiln Lane has 3 systems, Sherbourne Road and Coniston Gullies to culverted WCs and Kiln Lane WC to the North. It was not clear whether this had a non-return valve installed.
AP PL to check Kiln Lane outflow for Non-return valve.
UU had agreed to put in flow meters but then needed a flood event to check the meters for issues. It was unclear as to whether the meters had been installed.
AP PL to check whether Flow meters had been installed in Hambleton by UU.
It was suggested that the Community be encouraged to get involved in clearing leaves from gullies to reduce flooding. PL explained that this was only small part of the picture and although this would help, the major issues relate to the gullies discharging to main drainage system.
PL reported that around 50 households contained private gullies and it was the responsibility of owner to maintain. It was felt that householders may not be aware. It would cost approx. £5K to clear silted up drain through private gardens. Options are being investigated eg funded from landowners or work through Local Council, United Utilities UU and Environment Agency EA ie MSFW Group. If MSFW Group carried out work they would need permission from landowners.

PL provided a map of Hambleton detailing how areas drained and where the main drains were.(see next page)

AP PL agreed to take issues from this FLAG meeting to the next MSFW meeting.

Concern was raised re Arthurs Lane development and additional pressure on drainage system. PL reported that discharge must be at same rate as greenfield site, discharge will be to both North and South but would need attenuation tank, pond and pipes. Tank maintenance and checking is responsibility of landowner, EA considering whether they should do some of this work in the future.

UU are considering taking over responsibility of drainage in private gardens.

The question was asked whether there was anything (or a main thing) that could be done to reduce risk of flooding. Response:

- 1) Check outflow pipes are not blocked
 - 2) Need to get surface water and foul water in separate systems. Foul water in surface water system creates foul water flowing through gullies during flooding and surface water in foul system Potentially overwhelms Treatment system.
4. No new issues identified but see earlier comments re splitting items on log.
 5. Query raised re Marsh Lane/Ryecroft Avenue. This area discharges to the South ie via the Fisheries. The Fisheries owner cleared out the WC during the summer but ditch along Marsh Lane is full.

AP PL to ask EA to investigate the ditches on Marsh Lane.

Query raised re use of basin at Wardleys Creek. PL explained that this was not an option.

DB requested that Hambleton FLAG becomes Hambleton & Stalmine FLAG, this was agreed by all attendees.

6. The next MSFW meeting is due to be held on 27th November and Wyre Flood Forum on 10th December, WFF would be simplified with a presentation followed by questions.

It was suggested that the next FLAG meeting be held mid-February 21 just prior to the MSFW meeting. TBA

Following the Meeting

MOF requested that Hambleton FLAG create their own Issues and Actions log as he felt that the current version did not contain sufficient detail to allow full understanding of the variety of issues and impacts.

PL visited outflow pipe off Kiln Lane. There are actually 2 pipes, possibly one from the pumping station. Visibility checks indicates that the pipes are blocked solid and in need of cleaning.

Hambleton Drainage Systems

Key

Blue – Service Water (UU)

Red – Combined Sewers

Brown – Non-combined sewers

Number relate to size of piping

