

# Wyre Flood Forum

**Minutes of meeting held Thursday 17 March 2022**

**Meeting held at Civic Centre and via Microsoft Teams**

**Present:**

**Civic Centre:**

**Chair**

Carl Green (CG)                      Head of Engineering, Wyre Borough Council

**Wyre Borough Councillors**

Cllr Roger Berry (RB)              Neighbourhood Services & Community Safety Portfolio Holder  
Cllr Phil Orme (PO)                Preesall Ward and Preesall Town Council  
Cllr David Walmsley (DW)        Jubilee Ward  
Cllr Dulcie Atkins (DA)            Garstang Ward

**Parish and Town Councillors**

Cllr Roger Brooks (RBr)        Garstang Town Council

**Council Officers/Agency Representatives**

Paul Long (PL)                      Wyre Council (Engineering)  
Graeme Kelly (GK)                Environment Agency  
Mia Mullender (MM)               Environment Agency  
Mark O'Donnell (MO)              LCC (Highways)  
Tom Myerscough (TM)            Wyre Rivers Trust

**FLAG Representatives**

Roger Weatherell (RW)            Churchtown FLAG  
Dianne Andrews (DAn)            Out Rawcliffe FLAG  
Ashley Anderton (AA)              Preesall FLAG  
Linda Rowland (LR)                Preesall FLAG  
Phil Jenkins (PJ)                    Thornton FLAG  
John Quinn (JQ)                     Thornton FLAG

**Others**

Edward Greenwood (EG)        Fleetwood Resident  
Amy Hargreaves                    Visitor  
James Pope                          Visitor  
Stan Farrington (SF)              Visitor

**Via Microsoft Teams:**

**Lancashire Councillors**

Cllr Matthew Salter (MS) Wyre Rural Central  
Cllr John Shedwick (JS) Thornton & Hambleton

**Wyre Borough Councillors**

Cllr Lynn Walmsley Marsh Mill Ward

**Council Officers/Agency Representatives**

Len Harris (LH) Wyre Council (Planning)  
Lorah Cheyne (LC) Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)  
Christine Hamilton (CH) Environment Agency  
Phil Wylie (PW) United Utilities  
Dawn Bromley (DBr) United Utilities  
Louise Ashworth (LA) United Utilities  
Sarah Murray (SM) United Utilities  
Teh Chun United Utilities

**FLAG Representatives**

Alf Whiteside (AW) Pilling FLAG  
David Astall (DAs) Great Eccleston FLAG  
Mike Pollard Thornton FLAG

**Others**

Richard Green Thornton resident

**Apologies:**

Cllr Alf Clempson Poulton-le-Fylde  
Cllr Elizabeth Webster Brock with Catterall Ward and Garstang Town Council  
Cllr Paul Moon Preesall Ward  
Neil Cookson Pilling Council  
Michael O'Flaherty Hambleton FLAG  
Roy Peaker Hambleton FLAG  
Brian Birkett Lancashire County Council  
Rita Carr Preesall FLAG

**The Forum was held as a combination of live event and remotely via Microsoft Teams.**

### **Introduction by the chairman, Carl Green (Wyre Council)**

CG welcomed all attendees to the meeting. He explained that, once again, the meeting would be held simultaneously both in the Council Chamber and online. He noted that there were representatives from Wyre Council, Lancashire County Council, the Environment Agency, and several FLAGs, while representatives from Wyre Rivers Trust and United Utilities were online.

He asked that anyone new to the meeting introduce themselves; Sarah Murray (UU) and Len Harris (Wyre Council) introduced themselves.

#### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were noted as above.

#### **2. Minutes of previous meeting**

CG asked whether there were any comments on the minutes of 9 December 2021. PO noted that the apologies had noted that Cllrs Moon and Cropper were parish councillors – he noted that this was no longer the case. This was noted for future meetings.

The minutes of the meeting of 9 December 2021 were otherwise confirmed as a true record.

#### **Matters arising:**

There were no matters raised from the previous minutes.

#### **3. What's going on in the region.**

##### **Reports from flood management authorities:**

##### **United Utilities**

SM reported that due to the large number of developments in the Great Eccleston area, UU are looking at a supply and demand project to remove surface water from the combined sewers. The project is currently at design stage.

SM reported that UU are looking to construct a formal outfall at St Michaels last in line pumping station overflow. They are looking to install this by May 2022 and are currently awaiting EA permissions.

SM noted that UU have money available through the [Green Recovery Challenge Fund](#), an OFWAT project to support the country's green economic recovery from Covid-19. Water companies have been asked to bring forward proposals for innovative schemes "to deliver an innovative and more resilient future for customers, society and the environment." She added that the key criteria is for schemes where conventional solutions would not be cost beneficial but have natural capital methodology cost-benefit greater than 1.1. UU are looking for ideas for this scheme. CG added that Wyre was part of a joint bid made for funding for a number of SuDS schemes in Lancashire under this scheme.

##### **Questions to UU**

- PJ noted that UU have been looking at issues on School Road, Thornton. He asked whether UU considered this to be an issue with the sewer system or a consequence of

silt build up in Hillylaid Pool. PW confirmed that the work being done was part of the normal cleansing of the sewers – he noted that there was no silt build up in the sewers, but noted that the sewers were designed on the assumption of a free outfall. PJ said that there was a build-up of approximately two feet depth of silt at the outfall of the main surface water sewer from School, Road which the FLAG deemed to be partially responsible for the continued flooding in the area.

PL informed the meeting that Brian Birkett from LCC has reported that Network Rail would be undertaking a further cleaning of the watercourse behind School Road this year. PJ welcomed the news that this would be undertaken.

PL noted that the issue of silt in Hillylaid Pool had been discussed at the Making Space for Water meeting (see Appendix 2) and it had been noted that the level of the culvert on Belvedere Road was higher than the silt level adjacent to the surface water outfall from School Road into Hillylaid Pool. As such, any dredging works at this point would have no benefit to the flooding issues on School Road and upstream of Belvedere Road. PJ did not agree that dredging would have no effect on the water levels in Hillylaid Pool and argued that dredging would provide additional storage in the watercourse.

- AW asked whether UU had any update on the drainage works on Taylors Lane, Pilling. PW confirmed that there was nothing to add to the on-site discussions he and AW had recently had. AW noted that the speed of the works was not fast enough. DBr noted that AW had met with Paul Foster from UU two weeks ago and that the information discussed then was the latest. She promised that UU would update AW further when more information becomes available.
- DAs asked UU to clarify their comments on Great Eccleston. DBr said that most of the developments in Great Eccleston had gone through the SuDS hierarchy to reduce the impact of surface water on the local sewer network, but UU are looking to remove surface water from the existing development at Little Eccleston (Fylde BC). There are three other developments planned for Great Eccleston and UU are looking to ensure that the drainage from these sites does not negatively affect existing properties in the village.

## **Environment Agency**

A pre-meeting update to the Forum is included as Appendix 1

GK provided an update on maintenance works; he noted that most works have been completed, although the agency are currently dealing with removing a number of fallen trees from the recent storms.

He reported that there is currently an issue with the east gate of the Garstang flood barrier. During monthly checks on the barrier it was noted that the east gate was intermittently scraping against the central wall when raised, indicating a problem either with the hinge or some play in the bearings. The EA are looking to undertake repairs. The west gate remains fully operational.

Other works included

- The works to restore the crest levels on Whites Brook embankment, Great Eccleston, have been completed.
- Works have been started on repairs to the embankment at Stockenbridge, St Michaels, and ground investigations are being undertaken on the embankment behind Rivermede.
- The temporary repair at the Catterall basin has held up well – the full repair is planned to be undertaken over the coming summer.

## Questions to EA

- DA asked if the EA were aware of the reduced access to the riverside path in Garstang. GK confirmed that he was aware of this and that Wyre Rangers Team to resolve this.
- DA asked for clarification on the damage to the Garstang barrier; GK confirmed that both gates had recently had the hydraulic ram that operates the barrier gates replaced but the issue this time was suspected to be the hinge mechanism on the east gate. DA noted that the east gate suffered more debris and silt build-up than the west; GK agreed and noted that the base of the gate would need to be cleared to allow the repair to be undertaken.
- DAN reported a lack of maintenance on watercourses from Out Rawcliffe to Pilling and flooding to a farmer's fields in Scronkey. This issue has been previously reported by Cllr John Shedwick. GK confirmed that these watercourses are not maintained by the EA but will be the responsibility of the riparian owners. He agreed to discuss the issue with DAN after the meeting.
- PJ noted that the EA have confirmed that the high point on Hillylaid Pool is at Belvedere Road culvert. He noted that the water upstream of the culvert no longer appears to flow and this has resulted in very high levels in the watercourse at New Lane. He expressed the FLAG's concern that something has changed in how the watercourse flows and that no maintenance appears to have been undertaken for some considerable time. GK said that any works in the section would have very limited effect and would effectively result in the creation of a pond between New Lane and Belvedere Broad. PJ asked whether the work could be undertaken by Wyre – CG said that this was not normal practice. GK said that he would look into getting quotations to undertake works, although he feared that it would have minimal impact on the levels.

### **Action - GK**

CG said that the main emphasis should be placed on preventing silt getting into the watercourse in the first place, and TM was looking at ways of doing this. JQ noted that there had been large volumes of silt in the run-off from the Lambs Hill housing development which may have contributed large volumes of silt to the watercourse. Now that the development is complete and no further silt is being deposited from it into Hillylaid Pool, he considered that one-off desilt of Hillylaid Pool from the UU surface water outfall on School Road to Belvedere Road would be beneficial.

- PO asked whether the outfall flap on Grange Pool watercourse had ever been replaced as promised. GK confirmed that the flap had been replaced some time ago. PO said that a photo on Facebook appeared to show that the valve was missing; he added if the EA would check that the valve was still in place. GK agreed to have the maintenance team check this.

### **Action – EA**

- RB noted that there had been a number of recent storms in the last couple of weeks and he wished to thank all officers and staff who would have been out in support of the community during the bad weather. He asked whether the storm basins at Garstang and Catterall had been operated during these events. GK confirmed that the Garstang basin had been operated on the previous Sunday.
- RB noted that there have been a number of issues with the Garstang flood barriers. He noted that St Michaels FLAG have previously reported concerns that the operation of the flood basin could cause flooding issues to properties downstream, particularly at Churchtown and St Michaels – he asked whether the emptying of the Garstang basin

was likely to cause flooding downstream, and whether the current damage to the east gate would have a detrimental effect on the operation of the barrier. GK confirmed that the operation of the Garstang barrier was based on downstream river levels; when the levels downstream reached the trigger level, the barrier would raise and divert water into the flood basin. When the levels downstream have sufficiently reduced the basin is emptied. He accepted that when the basin is emptied it does artificially increase the level of the River Wyre downstream. He noted that the damage to the east gate hinge would not affect the operation of the barrier in the short term.

- PJ asked if an update on the study into Stanah pumping station could be provided. GK confirmed that the study has been delayed and that the station had not yet been transferred from Wyre Council to the Environment Agency. He confirmed that works are to be undertaken to desilt the downstream outfall to improve the gravity discharge from the station. CG confirmed that Wyre Council have received the transfer papers and that this was progressing.
- AW added to the comments re the watercourses on Pilling; he said that while farmers did undertake cleaning of their watercourses, the main issue was silting up where the Broad Fleet watercourse discharges to sea; the sand levels downstream were higher than they should be. GK replied that the Broad Fleet watercourse did flow, if at a slightly reduced rate than forty years ago, and that the EA did undertake some flushing of silt immediately downstream of the Broad Fleet gates, as permitted. AW added that the doors on the Broad Fleet were the wrong type and should open differently (like a door), similar to those recently installed on the Cocker Bridge watercourse outfall. GK noted that the gates at Broad Fleet are in good order and there is no requirement to replace them at this time, while those at Cocker Bridge were replaced due to damage.

CG said that drainage through salt marshes would be covered through the ECO-CoBS scheme over the next few years. He confirmed that he had visited farmers in Out Rawcliffe affected by flooding and advised them of the works being done to improve the situation.

## Wyre Council

CG reported that the council is currently involved in two major schemes. The council is involved with a scheme that has provided £6million to look at issues with salt marshes and sand dune systems, to manage realignment and to work better with land owners using natural flood management processes to build resilience. [Innovative projects to protect against flooding selected - GOV.UK](#). Two community engagement officers have been appointed to work with local communities to look at issues and propose solutions and will be starting work in the coming two months.

CG reported that officers are also working on the Wyre Beach Management Scheme – a £42million sea defence scheme at Cleveleys. Works are expected to commence early next year, with compound works on Jubilee Gardens planned to commence in September.

PL confirmed that he had met (either in person or remotely) with a number of FLAGs during 21 – 23 February to discuss flooding issues in their areas – these issues have been raised with the MSfW Group meeting on 24 February (at [APPENDIX 2](#))

CG introduced LH to provide information on planning issues. LH reported that the council is undertaking a partial review of the Local Plan focussed on reducing the housing requirement. The document is expected to be sent to the government in April and will be considered in a public examination later. He added that a full review of the Local Plan is to be undertaken and this will include a consideration of flooding and flood risk – two

documents to be produced; Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Level 1 and 2 – and is expected to be undertaken over the coming two to two and a half years. Further, an infrastructure delivery plan is to be produced to look at what infrastructure is required to support new development. He added that because of the government's Levelling Up Agenda, the government may be looking for northern authorities to take a larger share of future development, but this remained uncertain at this time.

### **Questions to Wyre Council**

- DA asked whether LH would be submitting the revised Local Plan to the Planning Policy Committee. LH said that this would be the case; he would also be happy to update the Flood Forum on flooding issues.
- RBr commented that it is important that housing policy and flooding issues be discussed by the Forum and Wyre planners. LH said that he was happy to report to the Forum on planning issues; he reminded the Forum that government policy changes frequently so things could change as the Local Plan is developed.
- CG added that LH has been involved with the Shoreline Management Plan refresh process, looking at coastal development over the next 100 years. LH said this scheme looked at the link between the SMP and the Local Plans in the North West and to ensure that local planners look at coastal change and climate change over time.

### **Lancashire County Council**

MO provided an update on the works being undertaken by LCC.

- Works are continuing on the planned cyclic and reactive maintenance, including clearing of highway gullies.
- Works to clear/repair pipes on Kiln Lane and A588 Carr Lane, Hambleton are nearly completion.
- Investigations have been ongoing to resolve the flooding issues on the A586 Garstang Road at the junction with Rawcliffe Road, St.Michaels.
- Repair and investigating works have been undertaken on Fleetwood Road, Thornton.
- Wheel Lane, Pilling – investigation works on local flooding issues.
- Woodland Ave, Thornton
- Bradshaw Road, Pilling
- Lancaster Road, Preesall; drainage improvements ahead of resurfacing works

### **Upcoming works include:**

- Poulton – works on highway drainage on Breck Road to commence in the New Year. The works are likely to be undertaken overnight due to the complication of works being undertaken by Highways England on the A588.
- Nateby – drainage works on Longmoor Lane
- Hambleton – finish off drainage works to Carr Lane
- Preesall - Sunnyside Terrace; the survey of Preesall Hill has now been completed and a copy sent to TM to develop a plan for reducing the flood risk downstream.

## **2022/23 Financial bids:**

MO noted that bids have been made to support the following schemes;

- Churchtown – to install non-return valve and investigate drainage
- St Michaels – to investigate diverting local drains to reduce flood risk
- Fleetwood – to investigate drainage issues on Radcliffe Road, close to the fire station

No representative was available from the Flood Risk Management Team at LCC. PL read out a report sent in to the Flood Forum.

- **School Road/ New Road Thornton Cleveleys**

After discussions with Network Rail, they have agreed to undertake an inspection of the open watercourse at the rear of the properties to ensure the free flow of water in the watercourse as the LLFA I am unable to gain access by any other means. This inspection is taking place in 2022/23. A resident has been informed that the Section 19 Report is available on the LCC Website and I furnished the resident with a copy.

- **Church Road/Marsh Road/Wordsworth Avenue, Thornton Cleveleys**

LLFA enquires with riparian landowners remains outstanding due to number of county wide investigations currently being undertaken. I have obtained the land registry information so that I can investigate further. I hope to contact the riparian landowners in the near future to enable an inspection of the culverted watercourse to be undertaken. Will continue to work with MSFW Partners to resolve surface water issues affecting partners and other interested third parties.

- **Preesall Village Walkover**

A CCTV survey of two culverted watercourses at Rosslyn Avenue is currently ongoing. Unfortunately there is a need for a second visit as one of lengths of the culverted watercourse was too far for the camera and jetting team to reach Wheel Foot Watercourse on the initial visit. Unfortunately we need to discuss gaining access to the one of the off highway landowners not only to access the land but also to find out if there is a suitable access point on the culverted watercourse from which to jet and camera the remaining unseen length of the culverted watercourse. I will be arranging for the land registry information for the landowner to be obtained.

Dependent on there being non defective results from the CCTV survey of these downstream culverts it will then be possible to move to the next set of riparian landowners upstream until we reach Pinewood Avenue/Meadow Avenue. Otherwise, we may need to discuss further with the landowners how to resolve any issues with culverts at Rosslyn Avenue.

- **Open/Culverted Watercourse flowing north adjacent Sorrel Close to Sea Wall**

Land registry information has indicated a number of unregistered parcels of land along the full length of the watercourse along with the restricted access to desilt the watercourse means that the matter remains outstanding. Will continue to progress.

- **St Michael's on Wyre Flooding Incident**

LLFA still gathering the information for the Section 19 Report. We are also undertaking a survey of the River Wyre Flap Valve/Headwall Arrangement where the riparian landowner's open watercourse discharges to the river following the LCC Highways response and subsequent investigation.



Highways and the LLFA have also been investigating together to understand other flooding incidents that took place at the same time as the St Michael's Incident in the Garstang and Catterall areas. Any subsequent Section 19 Reports should they be identified as needed will also be undertaken

### **Questions to Lancashire County Council**

- PO asked for an update on flooding on Park Lane, Preesall. MO said that the issue here was root ingress in the gullies, which has been cleared. PO said that flooding was still occurring and the issue remained far from resolved. MO replied that the LCC system was clear, but that the problem may be further downstream. AA noted that he had recently walked the road and considered that, while the gullies have been cleared, the carrier drain may be blocked. MO replied that the carrier drain had been jetted through and remains clear. He agreed to look into this issue further.

#### **Action - MO**

- RBr asked whether LCC and EA have sorted the drainage on High Street, Garstang. MO replied that LCC have looked into the flooding issue and at first considered it to be caused by a stuck flap valve adjacent to High Street car park. However, it is now considered that the outfall discharges into the river close to the Garstang Barrage. Further investigation of the outfall needs to be undertaken.

#### **Action - MO**

- RBr asked whether LCC were aware of a recent traffic incident over the last weekend. It was considered that the incident was caused by poor road conditions. He added that the whole of the road Winmarleigh is in poor condition. MO replied that he was aware of the incident and that the road is currently closed to traffic.

DA noted a similar incident in Church Lane two weeks previously when a cyclist hit a pothole. She noted that part of the road has been resurfaced, but not the section from the school onwards.

- PJ asked when the works to clear three or four blocked drains on Fleetwood Road North would be undertaken; MO replied that this work is planned for the following week.
- CG informed the Forum that the Lancashire, Blackpool and Blackburn Flood Risk Strategy has been published; he recommended that members take a look at the issues. [Local Flood Risk Management \(lancashire.gov.uk\)](http://lancashire.gov.uk) If anyone has any comments on the strategy, these will be forwarded to the strategic group.

### **Natural England**

No report was received.

### **Wyre Rivers Trust**

TM provided an update on the works being undertaken by the WRT.

WRT has been working with Thornton FLAG to temporarily remove the leaky dam on Hillylaid Pool watercourse, and in drafting the design for the wetland area on King George's Playing Fields, Thornton. A public presentation on the King George's scheme took place recently and was well received; the WRT is expecting to submit applications to the EA for work permits, with the intention of undertaking the works in July.

A design has been drawn up to construct a further wetland area to the north of Sunnyside Terrace. Preesall to ease flooding problems in that area. A presentation was given to the FLAG, Councillors and residents prior to the Flood Forum and a further public presentation is place for 13 April.

TM confirmed that funding is now in place to allow the Wyre Natural Flood Risk Management Project to proceed. The Trust is working with local farmers, landowners and tenants to undertake works over next three years. This will include around 70 Ha of natural flood management works and 40 Ha of tree planting. [Wyre NFM Project | The Flood Hub](#). The work is expected to begin in April 2022 and is expected to have a big impact on reducing flood risk in Churchtown and St.Michaels.

The Trust is continuing to develop other natural flood management projects in the area, particularly the Millfield School site in Thornton.

### Questions to Wyre Rivers Trust

- LR thanked TM on behalf of residents and Preesall FLAG for his work on Sunnyside Terrace. She said that it was reassuring that action is being undertaken to resolve the long standing flooding issues in the area.
- RBr noted that he recently read about a scheme on the River Skell near Ripon ([The Skell Valley Project in North Yorkshire | National Trust](#)) which he considered to be similar to issues in Wyre and proposed that members of the Forum visit the site.
- PO asked for details on the ECO-CoBS scheme on Hackenshall watercourse – TM replied that the scheme plans to restrict access to Arm Hill and build up the salt marsh to allow recolonisation of Little Terns in the area.
- MO proposed that the Forum organise a trip out to visit the NFM Project. TM to look at arranging a visit prior to the next Flood Forum.

**Action - TM**

### 4. Making Space For Water technical group

PL reported that the MSfW Group met (jointly in person and via Teams) on 24 February and that minutes of the meeting have been distributed to the Forum – see [APPENDIX 2](#).

PL also reported that he had been in contact with most of the FLAGs prior to the meeting to establish any issues and the Issues and Actions log has been updated to reflect these. [APPENDIX 3](#)

### Questions to MSfW Group

- RB asked that PL push Highways England to undertake the cleaning of the culverts under the A585 Amounderness Way. PL provided an update – he reported that that HE have been in touch to report that they have cleared the culverts under the roundabout at Morrisons, Cleveleys and the culvert from White Carr Lane. As yet, PL has not been able to confirm that the works have been undertaken. JQ confirmed that he had inspected the site and that the work has been done. He noted that, as a consequence of the works, there was a definite step in the watercourse where the works met with the section of Royles Brook on the east side of the A585. Desilting works would be required here to allow better flow.

- PL confirmed that works to clear the culvert at New Lane are still pending,
- AA asked whether anyone had managed yet to look at the watercourse on Park Lane, Preesall. PL confirmed that both he and GK were planning to visit the site to determine the direction of flow and would report back to the next Flood Forum.

**Action - PL / GK**

## **5. Visitors to the Forum**

CG introduced three representatives from the Douglas & Alt Crossens Catchment divisions, south of the River Ribble, who are attending the Forum with a view to setting something similar in their area. SF thanked CG for the opportunity to attend and to speak with members of the Forum.

## **6. Local flood action groups (FLAG): reports and questions**

Issues raised by FLAGs at pre Forum meetings have been added to the Issues and Action log.

### **Churchtown FLAG**

RW reported, following investigations on site in December 2021, the FLAG is on the brink of resolving the flooding on Ainspool Lane which has been a major issue for the last twenty years. He is proposing to install a penstock to hold back water within Green Wood during a potential flooding event. He expects the cost of the proposal to cost in the order of £3k. MO said that there may be some budget to install the penstock. RW said that a small further check needed to be done to ensure that there wasn't a second outfall from Green Wood – this to be done during further investigative works agreed with Wyre Council for this summer.

During the December investigations it was noted that there were issues with discharging from The Avenue to the river. He noted that the discharge pipe was very small and heavily blocked with silt. He also asked if the outfall valves could be repositioned to improve flows – these to be investigated further / cleared during works planned for summer.

RW said that the village has a Flood Warden who regular inspects the highway gullies in the village and reports them to LCC. RW noted that the Flood Forum minutes recommends that blocked gullies are reported on line – MO confirmed that the best way to report blocked gullies is to report via the council Report It webpage, [Report flooding and drainage - Lancashire County Council](#)

Finally, he noted that the flap valve 10m downstream of Ainspool Bridge has come loose. He reported that the FLAG have replaced it, but asked if the EA would check it and ensure that it is secure. GK confirmed that he was aware of this and is to be addressed by the EA.

### **Cleveleys FLAG**

DW reported that the winter has been characterised by unseasonal and vigorous strong south westerlies and air frosts were non-existent. December was very wet, while February was exceptionally wet; there was heavy rainfall on 19 February but the drains coped with the rain.

There were three major storms in February, but there was no real consequence.

He noted that on 15 January vibrations from an earthquake in Tonga were noted in Cleveleys. CG confirmed that the National Oceanography Centre (NOC) had noted this and how the effect could be seen propagating around the world.

### **Garstang FLAG**

RBr noted that, despite the three major storms in late February, the borough had been largely unaffected on this occasion. CG noted that the strong winds fortunately did not coincide with the high spring tides and that the worst case scenarios did not materialise.

RBr reported that he has been in contact with Lancashire Wildlife Trust about the work being done on Winmarleigh Moss (and elsewhere) on water retention and carbon reduction. While results would take some time to be achieved, he noted that this will make a contribution to reducing flood risk in Wyre.

RBr reported that he has been in discussion with MO at LCC with regards to resolving long-standing flooding issues on Longmoor Lane. LCC are currently investigating and looking at ways to prevent future flooding at this point.

RBr noted that the Ainspool watercourse is only relative short in length but was extremely important to the residents of Churchtown. He noted that there were a number of development being along its length and hoped that the attenuation schemes to be provided with these developments worked as designed and did not result in additional flooding.

### **Great Ecclestone FLAG**

DAs reported that the cycle track on the A586 floods during heavy rainfall and results in water flooding towards Raikes Road leading to localised flooding. He asked whether LCC would look to install additional drainage. MO asked why the highway gullies were not taking the water. DAs said that this was relatively new (in the last month or so) and asked if LCC would look into this. MO said that he was not aware of the issue, but would look into this to determine whether this is a blockage in the current drainage system.

#### **Action - MO**

DAs reported that the road gully on the corner of St Marys Road at the junction with Pennine Way needed draining – MO confirmed that work has been recently undertaken here and he believed that this issue was now resolved.

DAs reported flooding on Butts Lane at junction with the A586. He asked if LCC would check the gullies / drainage in this area. He noted that there was also some flooding on this road at the junction on Back Lane.

#### **Action - LCC**

Opposite Butts lane, on the Pinfold, there is water from the new development flowing on West End. CG noted that there weren't any gullies at the front of this site. DAs noted that this caused flooding to the road, which in winter could freeze and become a slipping hazard.

### **Hambleton & Stalmine FLAGS**

RP had sent in apologies for the meeting – no report was presented.

## **Out Rawcliffe FLAG**

DA reported that there were no flooding issues to report. She added that the main issue related to the outfall from the Broad Fleet which have already been covered in this meeting.

## **Preesall FLAG**

PO noted that the EA are planning to desilt parts of the Middle and Wheel Foot watercourses in the summer, could the EA give any more information? – GK confirmed that there are three sections of watercourse that have been identified as pinch points requiring desilting. The object is to increase flows towards the pumping station on Pilling Lane. TM noted that silt issue is caused by poor land management and noted that this is crucial to reduce silt getting into watercourses. While removing silt is a possible remedy, working with farmers to prevent it entering the watercourse in the first place is extremely important.

PO noted the section of watercourse behind properties on Pilling Lane, adjacent to Sandy Bay Caravan Park, should discharge to Wheel Foot watercourse but appeared to discharge to a culvert behind the properties. PL replied that he understood that the watercourse did indeed discharge to Wheel Foot watercourse. It was agreed that PO and PL would investigate further.

**Action - PO / PL**

LR reported that, prior to the last Making Space for Water meeting, the FLAG had sent in a list of works that need doing – she reported that all actions had been completed, and wished to thank all the flood management authorities for their work.

LR reported that, prior to the Flood Forum, representatives from the FLAG had been presented with a brief presentation on the creation of a wetland on the land around Preesall Hill, and the directing of some of the flow away from properties on Sunnyside Terrace. She said that this would protect local properties and reassure residents that their properties had a future.

## **St. Michaels FLAG**

No report was presented.

CG noted that the Forum is desperate to replace Pamela and John Nickols who had previously run the FLAG.

MO noted that he was currently working with members of the local council but no-one was prepared to run the FLAG. He added that LCC currently have a pump permanently positioned in St Michaels to react to flooding issues, but this could not be continued for much longer and a permanent drainage system would need to be installed.

## **Thornton FLAG**

PJ said that the FLAG would like to install some gauges to record the water level in the watercourse system in Thornton. TM and GK said that these could be provided - TM offered to meet with PJ to arrange delivery and installation.

**Action – TM / PJ**

PJ asked for information on Cala Gran Caravan Park, Fleetwood – he asked if there was any update on this. CG said that Wyre is looking to arrange a meeting with Haven, the site operators, to take over responsibility for the pumping station, but had no details as yet. He noted that the station operates to discharge water from the watercourse behind the site, but had little or no impact on flooding issues in Thornton.

CG asked whether the EA had any update on installing camera at Stanah pumping station. GK confirmed that the cameras have been delivered, but not yet installed.

## 7. Communications

Comments from Wyre Communications Team,

- We have put out precautionary messages around the storms in February.
- We have added a page in Wyre Voice about flood management projects and the FLAGS.
- We are updating our website to include all the flood management projects that Wyre is currently involved in.

Other information is available at [The Flood Hub](#)

## 8. Emergency Planning

PL reported that ahead of the recent storms, officers from Wyre Council had closed off the storm barriers around the coast and were on standby to deal with flooding issues throughout.

JQ noted that there was an issue with foul surcharging on Lawsons Road, close to Torentum Court – PL reported that this had been identified by UU and details sent to LCC to clear roots from a pipe in the footpath; this work was completed two weeks prior to the Forum.

CG thanked all FLAG members for their feedback on all flooding issues. CG confirmed that the Council maintained officers on call throughout the year to respond to issues involving flooding and the emergency number has been made available to all FLAGS – **01253 895116**. PL suggested that the FLAGS make this number available on their websites and/or Facebook sites. CG noted that, during a major flooding event, the number could be engaged but urged users to persevere.

## 9. Requests for reports for next Forum

TM to arrange a visit to Abbeystead to look at the NFM project there. This is provisionally booked in for **9 June**, with the Flood Forum date moved back to **16 June** – Details to be confirmed.

PJ noted that TM had been discussing datum levels with the Thornton FLAG as part discussions on flooding – he asked if TM would be available to give a brief presentation to the FLAG on this subject. TM confirmed that he would be happy to.

**Action - TM / PJ**

RBr asked how long the Flood Forum was likely to continue as a hybrid meeting. PL replied that he suspected that this may become permanent as appearing online was advantageous to some people. He added that there are currently no plans to change how the Forum is operating. RBr noted that the meeting was somewhat flat when not in person, although the

current meeting was considerably better attended in person than previously. CG said that attendees to future meetings should attend in person whenever possible.

PO said that during the recent storm events he had noted that a wagon had been parked up in Knott End. He queried whether it would be better to install a camera so that the tide could be monitored remotely. PL replied that the wagon and operatives provided some assurance to local residents should there be an issue, and that as well as monitoring the situation, the operatives carried sand bags for rapid deployment as well as a radio to call in additional resources if required.

EG said that he did not consider the Flood Risk Assessments adequate should there be a tidal flooding issue on the scale of 1927. He asked if Wyre Council could look into this. CG replied that there is an EA scheme looking at building a flood barrier around the dockland area. EG said that rising sea levels had to be considered and he thought that Fleetwood could be flooded through the dock gates. CG said that this was a possibility in 50 years times and if the flood gates were in poor condition. EG thought that 50 years' time was too late and this should be looked at now. CG confirmed that this was being considered as part of the scheme.

#### **10. Issues and actions update**

The updated Issues & Actions list is attached at [APPENDIX 3](#)

#### **11. Any other business**

RB thanked the FLAGS and flood management agencies for all their hand work to reduce flood risk in Wyre.

CG asked the visitors from West Lancs for their observations on the Flood Forum meeting. SF said that there appeared to be a good working relationship between the Agencies, FLAGS and residents and asked for the opinions of the visitors. There followed a discussion on the benefits of the Forum, both to the residents and to the flood management agencies - all attendees confirmed that the Forum was a worthwhile event and that the close liaison between officers and residents was reassuring and helpful.

#### **12. Next meeting**

16 June 2022 (date to be confirmed). 1pm start. Details to follow.

## Appendix 1

### Pre-meeting report from Environment Agency (March 2022)

#### Maintenance Programme

The maintenance work the Environment Agency plans to carry out this financial year (1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022) and next (1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023) can be viewed online at <https://environment.data.gov.uk/asset-management/index.html>. This is the planned annual flood and coastal risk management (FCRM) asset maintenance programme. You can find a particular location by entering your postcode or navigating the map by zooming in and out.

Please note that this programme is updated quarterly. However, sometimes work may not go ahead as planned due to adverse weather, floods, or other operational or environmental considerations.

Summary of key features:

- Interactive map.
- It includes a vast amount of detail including extents of work, planned start and end dates, and links out to a description of each type of activity.
- It will be updated on a quarterly basis (eventually monthly), allowing the public to track maintenance progress through the year.

#### Reporting a problem

The most effective means of reporting a potential flooding or blockage problem on a Main River is to report it to the Environment Agency's National Call Centre on **0800 80 70 60**. The National Call Centre will collect the relevant information and ensure it is passed to the correct team for assessment. A copy of the Main River Map can be viewed here [Main River Map](#).

***Here are the present updates since December 2021 from the Environment Agency:***

#### Flood Basin training dates

Garstang Flood Basin Training dates from December 2021 to February 2022:

8/12/2021  
10/1/2022  
8/2/2022

Catterall Flood Basin Training dates from December 2021 to February 2022:

7/12/2021  
6/1/2022  
8/2/2022

Highgate Park dates from December 2021 to February 2022:

22/12/2021  
25/1/2022  
22/2/2022

#### Maintenance Work

The annual maintenance programme is complete for the current financial year. We are currently busy working through the numerous trees that have fallen in the recent storms which have the potential to increase flood risk and need removing. We have been working alongside the Wyre Rangers team on improvements and maintenance of the Pilling Lane Ends Amenity area.



We are continuing to monitor the void in Catterall embankment after the temporary sandbag repair and no worsening has been noted and the permanent repair is being programmed in for the summer months. We have completed the repair to the embankment at Wild Boar and works are currently on going at Whites Brook and about to start on Stockenbridge embankments as part of the recovery works. The remaining repairs will be carried out in the next financial year.

## **Project / Review updates**

### **Hambleton Tidal Flood Risk Management Scheme**

The proposed scheme will reduce the flood risk to over 600 properties. Linear flood walls are proposed from Kiln Lane, north of Wardleys Pool, to the end of the existing embankment near Peg's Pool. The Hambleton FRMS will provide a consistent standard of protection against a flood event with a 0.5% chance of occurring in any one year. The scheme has included the effects of climate change, with consideration given to the impacts of sea-level rise and increased magnitude and severity of flood events.

The detailed design for the scheme is still ongoing, with the environmental assessments currently forming the main focus of the project. We are currently working closely with Natural England on the environmental aspects of the scheme. We continue to engage with individual stakeholders, including LCC Highways, United Utilities, and members of the community, on elements of the detailed design.

Our current best estimate for the planning application submission is summer 2022. We will engage with the public in advance of the planning application submission. The format of this engagement is to be confirmed and will be subject to Government guidelines and restrictions.

Further information relating to the scheme is available via the scheme's FloodHub page (<https://thefloodhub.co.uk/hambleton/>). If you would like to discuss the scheme further, please contact Christine Hamilton who will be happy to help you. You can contact Christine at [CMBLNC-PSO@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:CMBLNC-PSO@environment-agency.gov.uk).

### **Fleetwood and Copse Brook Flood Risk Management Scheme**

The scheme will construct approximately 800 metres of tidal flood defence wall and reconstruction of the Copse Brook outfall to provide protection to Fleetwood. The scheme will protect over 2,200 properties from flooding. The Outline Business Case was submitted to our Large Project Review Group on 31 January. It is likely that we will get approval to proceed to Full Business Case Development (including Design and Planning) in principle. However, due to the increase in costs (like across all FCRM schemes) our partnership funding score has dropped well below the 100% required to qualify it for full Government Grant in Aid funding. This means we have a significant funding gap of approximately £5M. The scheme will therefore not be able to proceed until we are confident in filling the funding gap with other sources. We are confident that this can be done over the next 6 months by looking for other funding sources that we in the EA can attract, but also by working with partners.

It is our ambition that the scheme will provide a catalyst for the wider regeneration of Fleetwood by injecting capital investment into the frontage, whilst unlocking large areas of derelict land for re-development. We are therefore working closely with Wyre Council, Lancashire County Council and Associated British Ports (ABP). ABP are providing project support by contributing to the cost of the structural survey and providing us with Ground Investigations that will help inform the final design options.

**Wyre Natural Flood Risk Management Investment Readiness Project - “Investing in Nature: Wyre catchment project”**

Further information on the project, as well as useful links and answers to frequently asked questions, is available at: <http://thefloodhub.co.uk/Wyre-NFM-Project/>. A press release from the Rivers Trust updating on the status of the project is available [here](#).

**Upper & Mid Wyre Asset Management Project (following on from the Upper and Mid Wyre Review)**

The Upper and Middle Wyre Asset Management Project was developed following the completion of the Upper and Middle Wyre Review in 2017. In January 2020 we announced that the project was unlikely to commence to the next appraisal stage (Outline Business Case) before spring 2021 due to constraints in available capital funding, as a result of the project’s low Partnership Funding score. We are continuing to investigate the funding opportunities available to progress this project. However, progression of the project continues to be dependent on the project’s Partnership Funding score improving.

## Appendix 2

### Wyre Making Space for Water Meeting

Minutes of meeting held Thursday 24 February 2022  
at Wyre Civic Centre and via Microsoft Teams.

#### Present

Paul Long (PL)	Wyre Council (WC)
Tom Myerscough (TM)	Wyre Rivers Trust (WRT)

#### Via Microsoft Teams

Carl Green (CG)	Wyre Council
Graeme Kelly (GK)	Environment Agency (EA)
Mark O'Donnell (MO)	Lancashire County Council (Highways)
Phil Wylie (PW)	United Utilities (UU)
Louise Ashworth (LA)	United Utilities
Dawn Bromley (DB)	United Utilities
Sarah Murray (SM)	United Utilities

#### Apologies

Rachel Crompton	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Brian Birkett	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Chun Teh	United Utilities
Christine Hamilton	Environment Agency
Mia Mullender	Environment Agency
Kevin Kellett	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Nigel Morris	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Elizabeth Lowe	Environment Agency
Lorah Cheyne	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)
Benjamin Rogers	Lancashire County Council (Flood Risk Management)

#### 1. Introductions

PL welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2. Apologies

Apologies were noted as above.

#### 3. Sunnyside Terrace, Preesall

TM presented his proposals for constructing a wetland area in the field adjacent to Sunnyside Terrace to the Group. The purpose of the development is to hold back water in the field, slow down the rate at which water discharges to the watercourse network and reduce the risk of flooding to properties on and around Sunnyside Terrace.

The work is subject to approval by the Flood Risk Management Agencies and local landowners.

TM confirmed that the raised areas could be constructed from the arisings from digging the attenuation ponds and no material would need to be imported to the site.

The cost of the works is estimated to be in the region of £35-£40k.

GK noted that the draft plan did not include use of the 6" pipe under Sandy Lane to further reduce water volumes entering the system on Sunnyside Terrace. TM noted this and agreed to meet with MO to include this in the design.

**Action – TM / MO**

The proposal was widely welcomed by the Group and it was agreed that the plan be presented to residents at the earliest opportunity for their view, preferably before the Flood Forum meeting on 17 March. It would also need to be agreed with local landowners to ensure that they are happy with the proposals.

#### **4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of 25 November 2021 were agreed.

Matters arising

PL confirmed that he and MO had met with a representative from Wainhomes to look at the reported flooding issue on Sefton Ave., Poulton. It was evident that recent landscaping works had been undertaken which may have increased surface water run-off from the land towards the properties on Sefton Ave. Wainhomes to discuss with their contractor and come back with proposals to reduce the run-off from the field.

PL reported that, as requested, he had sent a plan to Stalmine FLAG detailing the results of pipe inspections in Stalmine which contradict the UU drainage plans for this area.

#### **5. Issues from Flood Forum and FLAGS (See Appendix A)**

PL reported that he had recently held Teams meetings with the FLAGS from Preesall, Thornton, Hambleton & Stalmine and Churchtown.

Issues raised are detailed below and have been added to the Issues and Action log where necessary.

##### **Preesall FLAG**

Matters arising from last meeting

- PL confirmed that he had yet to contact the owner of Willow Grove caravan park, Preesall re cleaning of the ordinary watercourse behind Roslyn Crescent. He noted that the Council has also received a complaint from a resident on Roslyn Ave about flooding to the front garden, allegedly from the new residential development. This complaint was investigated several months ago and no issues found, but has resurfaced recently. PL to investigate.

**Action – PL**

- GK reported that he had checked the land at the confluence of Green Lane and Grange Pool watercourses (as requested by MO). He noted that Green Lane watercourse has preferential flow over Grange Pool, so changing the line of Green Lane watercourse is unlikely to have any beneficial outcome. No further works are planned for this site.
- GK reported that he had inspected the watercourse to the west of Park Lane and noted no issues. PL noted that the concern was whether the ponds on the east side of the road discharged to the west or ran towards Sunnyside Terrace. GK noted that access to the east side was poor and he was not able to confirm any link. PL and GK to arrange joint inspection to confirm direction of flow from the lakes.

**Action – PL / GK**

- MO confirmed that LCC would be undertaking road resurfacing works on Lancaster Road over the Easter holidays. He added that both he and Cllr Salter had visited the site and spoken with residents on this matter. Prior to commencement of works, additional drainage will be installed to take surface water. MO also confirmed that LCC will check for any other highways drainage in the area, possibly buried, at the same time.

### **Hambleton & Stalmine FLAG**

Matters arising from last meeting

- PL passed on a request to UU from Hambleton Flag whether there was any update on the installation of the flow meters Over Wyre. PW confirmed that the works were progressing as planned and would be installed later in the year. PL also relayed thanks from the FLAG to UU for the recent site visit to Kiln Lane sewerage pumping station – this had been very informative.
- PL reported that the highway at the junction of Highgate Lane and Staynall Lane recently flooded again. MO noted that LCC had recently replaced a broken culvert in the area, which has significantly improved the flooding situation, but he would look into this issue again to see if any further works are necessary.

**Action – MO**

### **Churchtown FLAG**

Matters arising from last meeting

- PL reported Churchtown FLAG have passed on their thanks to the inspection works carried out by LCC and WBC on 8 December 2021 to identify and clean drainage at The Avenue and in Green Wood. Additional works have been identified and it was agreed that these would be undertaken later in the year when the system was not full. MO confirmed that he had bid for additional money to undertake further works in 2022/3 in Churchtown.
- PL noted that the FLAG are still reporting two trees floating in the River Wyre, approximately 300m downstream of Kirkland Bridge – GK and TM confirmed that they had both checked the river in this area and not see any trees; they asked that a further location be provided so that they can be located.
- PL reported that the FLAG were asking for details of the bladder valves fitted to the surface water pipe from the A6 and whether this was likely to cause any siltation problems upstream of the valve. MO replied that he was not aware of any specific reason that the pipes would silt at a greater rate than any other pipe; he added that LCC would look to undertake regular inspection and maintenance to ensure that their assets were operating as designed – this included all areas, not just Churchtown.
- Churchtown FLAG have reported a large number of blocked gullies in the village; MO agreed to undertake gully clearance at the earliest opportunity. He added that blocked gullies should be reported to LCC on their website [Report flooding and drainage - Lancashire County Council](#)
- The FLAG have reported a leak in the Ainspool embankment on the left hand bank, approx. 140m downstream of Ainspool Bridge and has asked that the EA look into this. GK noted that this approximately where the sand lenses are located.

- The large flap valve 10m downstream of Ainspool Bridge has come loose – the FLAG have replaced it, but asked if the EA would check it and ensure that it is secure.

**Action – EA**

- Churchtown FLAG reported that they had noted twin peaks in the river telemetry from Six Arches caravan site to St. Michaels – they have asked whether there is now a new river flow control upstream of the caravan site. GK and TM confirmed that no new controls have been installed. TM did note that the actual river levels at St Michaels Bridge were significantly higher than recorded on the telemetry – EA to check the calibration of the gauges.

**Action – EA**

## **Thornton FLAG**

Matters arising from last meeting

- MO confirmed that works to replace the gulley at the junction of Bourne Road and Fleetwood Road North have been undertaken. He confirmed that the drainage pipe had been damaged by works on the electric cabling. PL passed on the thanks of Thornton FLAG but noted that the area had recently flooded again. MO said that he was disappointed that the area had flooded again despite the best efforts of LCC and said that he would continue to look to ways to resolve the flooding.
- MO reported that all the gullies around Springfield Drive, Thornton were cleared at the same time as the Bourne Road works.
- PL confirmed that the contractor for Hawley Gardens site has been cleared and is now free running. It was noted that the contractor had left the site in a poor condition and PL noted that several negative comments had been posted on the Thornton FLAG site. TM asked if it was known whether the contractor had undertaken an environmental risk assessment; this was unknown but considered unlikely.
- PL reported that he had again contacted National Grid for an update on the condition of the culvert under their concrete apron in the electrical sub-station on River Road, Stanah. While an initial inspection has been undertaken, major works are still awaited. *(Update: NG have confirmed that works should be completed by 31 March 2022)*
- MO reported that he had instructed his team to look at raising the footpath in front of the two properties on Fleetwood Road North, north of Springfield Drive, Thornton were scheduled for the next two weeks. He confirmed that he had met with the resident and she seemed happy with the proposal.

**Action – MO**

- PL noted that the developer constructing the new Thornton FC had asked that the culverted watercourse on Wembley Road be checked and cleared as necessary. MO agreed that his team would look at this.

**Action – LCC**

- GK said that the installation of the camera on the Sandyforth Arms was still outstanding but would be undertaken soon. He added that the solar panel on the screen at Bay Horse has been repaired but the battery was flat and would take a few days to charge and start working.

- PL said that the FLAG had asked if a gauge board could be installed on Brookfield Road screen and on the bridge at Bay Horse to record watercourse levels. TM and GK replied that this could be done and they would look into it.

**Action – GK / TM**

- TM confirmed that the leaky dam on Hillylaid Pool has now been removed. Water levels dropped approximately 150 - 180mm by Hillylaid Road. Removing the dam had no effect on the water levels on New Lane.
- PL noted that the water levels at New Lane continued to remain high down to Belverdere Road. He reiterated the FLAG's call to undertake dredging works downstream of the A585 bridge at New Lane, especially in the proximity of the UU pipe from School Road. GK replied that the EA does undertake dredging works but noted that access for machines is difficult. PL noted that during a walkthrough in December the silt levels were noted as being over two feet deep. GK noted that the invert of the culvert on Belverdere Road was at a higher level (2.75m AOD) to the outfall from School Road (2.61m AOD) and that undertaking dredging works at this point would have no impact of water levels. TM noted that most of the silt was likely to be coming from Breedy Butts Farm and that it would make better sense to undertake works to prevent further silt entering the watercourse.
- TM asked if there had been any movement with National Highways undertaking clearance of the culverts under the A585, at New Lane and White Carr Lane – PL reported back that he had again contacted them but no works had been undertaken.
- PL asked that UU look at the surface water drain adjacent to 104a School Road to see if the hole in the pipe is still required and whether it would be possible to block this off. PW said that he was not aware as to why this hole was there but would be willing to block it off as a trial. He said that he would be happy to meet with residents and the FLAG to look at this option, as well as the system adjacent 86a

**Action – PW / Thornton FLAG / PL**

- PL noted that works on Horsebridge Dyke by Kier was having any impact on levels in New Lane. TM reported that the water level in Horsebridge Dyke was at the lowest level that he had seen for some time and noted that more water than normal could be discharging to New Lane. GK noted that the Kier works were expected to continue until the end of February so it would be useful to see if water levels dropped after pumping operations stopped.
- PL reported that UU had requested that LCC clear roots from a surface water drain on Lawsons Road as it entered into Torrentum Court. He reported that LCC had completed the works on Friday 18 February.
- PL informed GK that the intersection where the tributary on Anchorsholme Road East meets with Royles Brook remained blocked with debris and that EA had promised to clear this. GK replied that he had passed this to the EA's contractor and should have been completed. He agreed to inspect this and make sure that the works were undertaken.
- PL noted that UU have reported that the surface water on Fleetwood Road South is being restricted from discharging into the watercourse behind New Lane by a blockage in the watercourse belonging to the local landowners. They have asked that this be reported to the landowner so that it can be unblocked. PL to contact landowners.

**Action – PL**

### **St Michaels FLAG**

No-one was available to meet ahead of the MSfW meeting.

After the meeting the FLAG issued a report for the Flood Forum, this is attached in Appendix A.

### **Great Ecclestone FLAG**

No-one was available to meet ahead of the MSfW meeting.

### **Pilling FLAG**

No-one was available to meet ahead of the MSfW meeting

### **Out Rawcliffe FLAG**

No-one was available to meet ahead of the MSfW meeting

FLAG reported “no new issues”.

## **6. Updates from Members**

### **i) Wyre Council**

PL updated the Group on works being undertaken by Wyre Council. He confirmed that he had met with several of the FLAGs to discuss flooding issues. He reported that, in general, the FLAGs were appreciative of the works being undertaken, particularly by MO and TM, and that they continued to work in cooperation with the flood risk authorities.

He noted that the previous week had seen Storms Dudley, Eunice and Franklin but that, on the whole, the Borough had escaped major flooding events. While it was noted that the worst of the bad weather had avoided the borough, the Council had been ready to deal with any issues; storm boards had been closed along the coast, officers were in place at key locations to deal with tidal flooding issues, and warnings had been issued to residents. In the event, while conditions were bad, the new sea defences and the works undertaken on the surface water drainage network meant that only very minor highway flooding was experienced.

CH noted that the lengthy warnings from the Met Office were critical in allowing the authorities time to put in place actions to reduce flood risk.

### **ii) Environment Agency**

GK reported that the embankment repairs at Wild Boar, St Michaels were now complete. Works to Whites Brook and Stockenbridge embankments are due to start soon and be completed by the end of March. PL asked if this would make an impact on flooding on Moss Side Lane – GK said that levels would be restored to as it should be but were unlikely to have a significant impact on flooding here; he added that the only option left is to look at options to hold water upstream. TM noted that he and GK have discussed inspecting the upstream options and would arrange a further meeting to look into this.

**Action – WRT / EA**



PL noted that Cllr Orme had asked what was the likelihood of works to upgrade the pumping station on Pilling Lane, Preesall, and the possibility of reinstating the watercourse outfalls to the sea. GK replied that the outfalls were all under current silt levels and there are no plans to reinstate them. He added that the EA had works planned for this summer to desilt Middle and Wheelfoot watercourses to improve flows to the pumping station.

### **iii) LCC Highway Authority**

MO reported that significant drainage works had been undertaken in Hambleton to reduce flooding on Kiln Lane, Carr Lane and on Pauls Lane. He noted that works were largely completed, with just one small fault on Carr Lane still to be resolved. PL asked if LCC would inspect the private culvert between Arthurs Lane and Sandy Lane, as it was assumed that this had not been done for many years. MO agreed to take a look when next back in the village.

#### **Action – LCC**

He confirmed the works on and around Bourne Road, Fleetwood – see Thornton FLAG notes, above.

He noted that LCC currently have a pump on permanent deployment at St Michaels to reduce the risk of flooding on the A856, north of the bridge; he added that a working group is needed to look at this area and determine a permanent solution.

PL noted that the activities of the FLAG had been significantly reduced as the two main members had left the village; he suggested that the FLAG look to operate their own pump to protect properties rather than rely on LCC. GK noted that there are other community operated pumps and this would be an option. PL agreed to set up a working group to look at this issue and work with the FLAG at options to make a bid for providing a community pump. PW agreed to investigate whether the existing surface water pump has any capacity to assist. DB said that she would look to see if finance could be made available from the Green Recovery Scheme, although she noted that this scheme does not fund pumped solutions. GK noted that there is finance available through the Quick Wins scheme and there may be some funding available. PL to set up a working group for this scheme.

#### **Action – PL**

### **iv) LCC (Lead Local Flood Authority)**

No-one present from LLFA.

MO noted that LLFA were planning to produce a Section 19 report for flooding in St Michaels.

### **v) United Utilities**

PW noted that works are continuing on the installation of flowmeters in the foul network to determine where the main issues are; the supply / demand investigation for Great Eccleston and St Michaels is still in progress and he hoped to have something to report back at the next meeting - otherwise UU are undertaking “business as usual” and no major schemes are in place.

PL said that Thornton FLAG had asked if there was any update on the drainage on Church Road, Thornton – PW confirmed that there was no update on this and any works were not likely to be undertaken any time soon.

PW noted the surface water drainage scheme in Stalmine (by the reading rooms) is to be passed back to riparian owners – he added that letters would be sent out soon to landowners to notify them of this.

PL asked if there was any further update on works to Coniston Ave, Knott End – PW said that he would be visiting the site soon to further investigate it. MO noted that he had received a number of complaints of the road sinking and was concerned that this was caused by a collapse of the sewer. LA replied that the road has sunk due to poor ground conditions but the sewer remains intact – she noted that there is no longer a free outfall from the sewer due to high levels on the foreshore. MO to look to undertake road maintenance works.

GK asked whether there was an update on the blocked/collapsed culvert downstream of the bridge at St Michaels. PW confirmed that this is a collapse – UU are looking to make this safe for now. The damage is reported to extend upstream and needs major repair. He added that the pipe is to be reclassified as highway drainage and is likely to be passed over to LCC.

#### vi) **Wyre Rivers Trust**

TM informed the group of the work proposed to install a wetland area at King Georges playing fields in Thornton (see Appendix B) – a meeting was held with the sports clubs on 23 February and a public presentation is planned at Thornton YMCA for 25 February.

TM said that the Wyre NFM Green Investment Scheme [Wyre NFM Investment Readiness Project | The Rivers Trust](#) is close to completion – investors are on board – this will provide 70Ha of NFM in the upper river catchment and 40Ha of tree planting over the next three years. Works are planned to commence very soon.

TM reported that the leaky dam on Hillylaid Pool has been temporarily removed following a number of objections from local residents who were concerned that this was leading to increased flood risk. It is proposed to reinstate the dam later in the year, but to have better liaison with residents and to inform them of its benefits. CG asked whether data loggers were in place to record watercourse levels as this might alleviate some of the concerns of residents.

TM confirmed that the design for Sunnyside Terrace has now been produced and is planned to be shown to residents for their input.

CG informed the group of the ECO- CoBS (Environmental Community Owned Coastal Buffer Strips) Scheme which includes removing scrub from the foreshore around Arm Hill, Preesall, building up the saltmarsh and providing an environment for the return of a Little Tern colony. The works should also have a beneficial effect on Hackensall watercourse.

## **7. New issues**

PL noted the flooding of the highway at High Street, Garstang. MO considered that the pipe discharges close to the bridge adjacent to the EA barrage and not, as first thought, to the river at the car park on High Street. He added that further investigation of the drainage in this area is required.

CG asked whether levels had been taken, as it appeared that the road level was lower than the outfall level to the river.

**Action - LCC**

CG noted that Garstang councillors had raised the issue of the show ground off the A6, Garstang. PL confirmed that he had inspected the watercourse downstream of the site and found no issues; he considered that this was a private issue and should be resolved by the landowner.

## **8. Issues and actions update**

The updated Issues & Actions list is attached at Appendix C.

PL asked that members check the list and update as much as possible as many of the issues were long-standing.

**Action – All**

## **9. Any other business**

CG asked GK whether there was any updates on the EA taking on running of Stanah and Springfield pumping stations; GK replied that the EA would be looking to take Stanah PS soon and the EA Estates Team would be in contact soon with details. With regard to Springfield PS, the EA would be unlikely to pay to upgrade the station and discussions with Haven on taking over responsibility for the station need to go ahead. PL to arrange meeting with Haven.

**Action – PL**

CG reported the flooding of a number of highways in Pilling, as reported by Pilling Council; this is thought to be as a consequence of drainage outfalls being unable to discharge properly. CG noted that an ECO-CoBS scheme is planned for the area and it was hoped that this could alleviate flooding in the area. He asked that members of the Group let him know of any blocked outfalls in the area.

**Action - ALL**

## **10. Next meeting**

26 May 2022, 10am start – The meeting to be in person. Details to follow.

## APPENDIX A

Issues from FLAGS.

### Churchtown FLAG

CFLAG Report to Making Space for Water meeting - 17 Feb 22

- 1) *No Nuisance Flooding* in last quarter (not even at high river levels of 9 Feb 22)  
(WBC, LCC and EA) *Pipe investigation 8 Dec 21* made four significant findings :-
  - i) Lower outlet pipe from m/h in front of Avenue bungalow *blocked 2m from m/h.*
  - ii) No pipe connection between m/h's in verge and in BP Garage access roadway, but pipe from verge m/h *follows a C shape to join directly into a pipe under A6* that flows from Garage Access m/h to the river outfall on the east side of Kirkland Bridge
  - iii) Surface water from the Avenue that flows through Green Wood in open ditch, enters a pipe where dye testing showed it turns 90 deg underground, passing under low spot of storage area where the pipe has been broken open, and terminates in m/h in verge at Kirkland Hall Gate. Conclusion is that there is *likely only the one pipe crossing under the A586* which is from that m/h (site for a possible sluice gate or penstock to prevent all flooding in Ainspool Lane).
  - iv) Pipe flowing into the m/h at Kirkland Hall gate from north (high) channel of A586 with no gullies is blocked at 39m but *what purpose does this pipe serve?*
- 2) (WBC) - Bad weather and high river meant that no jetting from outfalls was possible so it was agreed that *a second attempt should be made when the river is low* to :-
  - i) Clear pipe in 1(i) and trace its line and connections back from outfall behind Memorial Hall
  - ii) Investigate how surface water is drained from Smithy Lane (Old A6) which at the moment does not drain away and is connected with and feeds the Avenue Hotspot, or vice versa.
  - iii) Trace the pipe from the ditch near the low spot in Green Wood for any branch pipes under the A586 (i.e. to confirm only one crossing under the A586 from the Gate m/h).
  - iv) Unblock the pipe at 2(iv) beyond 39m to find further connections to confirm its purpose.
- 3) (EA) *Two trees interlocked in the water are still obstructing flow* in River Wyre 300m down from Kirkland Bridge (> 6 months). Also *extensive bank erosion on this section of river.*
- 4) (WBC) *Three grit bins still to be installed for sandbags* at Tarnacre. Location has already been agreed on site with WBC.
- 5) (LCC, EA) Question re effectiveness of bladder-type non-return valves. These are installed in various diameters upstream and downstream of Kirkland Bridge and hold water back in Smithy Lane for instance when water level in the river is lower. *Does the restriction of the valve within the pipe diameter cause silting up?*
- 6) *CFLAG is doing dye-test investigations where possible* to support further pipe probe work and will report findings.
- 7) (LCC) *Blocked gullies* evident all around the village, contributing to blocked pipes that cost much more to unblock than more regular cleaning of the gullies. Flood wardens attempt clearance at surface but silt remains in gully pot and soon re-blocks the outlets.
- 8) (EA) *Ainspool Field Hotspot* – Minor flooding on 20 Feb 22 in daylight provided the opportunity for Flood Wardens to monitor the source of flooding into this field. There is a *likely leakage* through the left side Ainspool Flood Embankment approx. 140 m downstream from the Ainspool Bridge that looks like it could be dug out and plugged with clay.

- 9) *(EA) Flap Valve loose* – 10m downstream from Ainspool Bridge, *the large flap valve was found loose* on the pipe that empties the field close to the houses, draining flood water back into the Brook after flooding. It was reconnected by hand by the Flood Warden but needs securing.
- 10) *New Flow control?* – In the run up to the latest flood alert, the previous days telemeter readings showed saw tooth peaks at 24 hr intervals down the Wyre from Six Arches to St Michaels. This was abnormal, so is there now a new river flow control upstream of Six Arches?

### **Garstang FLAG**

When the storms were lashing other parts of the country I looked up the Environment Agency site for Rivers information and discovered that all levels on Wyre's Rivers were normal except that the information recorded showed that Roe Bridge on the River Brock was over the expected level.

Lancaster Road, Garstang – investigation required into flooding on highway and whether the discharge to the River Wyre is blocked/restricted.

Longmoor Lane, Nateby – repeated flooding of the highway needs investigation, including discharge to Ainspool watercourse.

### **Hambleton FLAG**

A585 and Paul's Lane Area

There has been movement with our issues, and the FLAG acknowledges and welcomes the improvement works underway by LCC

We had some information by email about the works done and would request a fuller picture and a walkabout when the current planned works are complete, so as to better understand how our issues are being addressed.

Kiln Lane Pump Station

We had an informative visit to Kiln Lane pump station. As a follow up we received pumping information records for the most recent Kiln Lane flood event. Also UU advised that they would be checking the emergency overflow pipe run.

We still await specific confirmation regarding installation of monitors for Hambleton Sewer System.

After viewing the pump operation information we believe it will be informative to have similar information for previous flood events which together with monitoring information expected should define the reasons for our floods and what action is required.

Marsh Lane

My last understanding was that EA were determining ownership of the watercourse which takes the two out falls from Marsh Lane. This remains significantly silted and requires clearing.

### **Out Rawcliffe FLAG**

No issues.

## Thornton FLAG

Large Silt deposits in Hillylaid Pool in section from the Belverdere Culvert to New Lane railway Crossing.

Grid references :- 31 DD, 30CC, 29CC, 28CC, 34AA, 33BB.

This silt is causing major issues to the drainage system in this area and many drains are under a deep silt layer. Residents are having major issues with drainage and UU have been to a few of the homes in that area but problems still remain.

Our team visited the crossover pipe / chamber adjacent to 104a School Rd. Photos have been sent through to Paul of the configuration of the various drainage outlets from this pipe / chamber.

We believe that three flaps are required.

One to stop a back flow from Hillylaid Pool into crossover pipe which will then flow into the Network Rail Dyke.

Two flaps in the chamber one north and south side to prevent the chamber filling the NR Dyke.

There is also an exit/entrance from HP back into the NR dyke near Baines Endowed School. This will need some sort of flap to allow rainwater to exit the NR Dyke into HP.

We believe there is also a 300 mm drain which flows into the NR Dyke around No.86. We are not sure what effect this will have on flooding in this area. With the installation of the flaps at the chamber then this drain may not be a significant problem.

The desilting of the culvert under Amounderness Way by New Lane is still outstanding. We are aware that Paul has taken this up on numerous occasions with The Highways Agency. Just need to keep reminding them that this work needs doing.

Bay Horse Public House Car park area. Hillylaid Pool

The EA camera is still not working, possible flat battery. Can this be chased up and also can a water level indicator be fitted which can be visible on camera. A white board with black marking in 10 cm graduations for example. Or whatever is the standard format.

Recent flooding on Lawsons Rd. This area we believed was flood free following all the work carried out by various agencies. Could the latest flood event be as a consequence of the leaky dam keeping levels in the Brookfield culvert system at a higher level and causing the flap valve adjacent to the Regenda homes remaining shut? The camera data at the Brookfield camera could possibly indicate if this is the case. Can a level indicator also be fitted at this location so the levels can be clearly seen to help in monitoring exercises?

The blockage on the section of dyke which runs west alongside Anchorsolme Lane East and joins into Royles Brook on Marsh Farm is still requiring removal. The EA did say they would do it but we know it's riparian so either the owner of the land needs to be informed or the EA need to do it. The HASSRA site has flooding issues and it also affects the homes around Aintree Ave. This is a long outstanding issue. Are there any other solutions to this problem?

The culvert under the A585 by White Carr Lane is still awaiting desilting. We know Paul has contacted Highways Agency many times but need to pester them again.

Tesco car park on Fleetwood Rd north regularly floods. The culvert under the car park gets full and the drains can't flow. Riparian issue. I am aware that Tesco have contacted Melrose on

numerous occasions. Our group is regularly contacted by a disabled resident who struggles to gain entry to the shop when the car park is flooded. Any suggestions please.

The Sandyforth Arms culvert. Can we have an update from the EA regarding camera fitting and possible any telematics.

Regarding the leaky dam, our team have been out getting datum readings for the Hillylaid Culvert, Bay Horse Culvert, Belvedere Culvert, New Lane Culvert. This is to enable monitoring of the levels in the HP system. I believe this monitoring was to be a joint exercise with the Rivers Trust. Is this still the plan? The cameras with level indicators would be a great help.

When will the report into the Stanah Pumping Station be ready for publication? How is the report to be delivered? Will it be a document for discussion or is the report going to be a working document which will form the basis for projects. Timescale please.

With regard the pumping station are there any plans to desilt the sump area in-front of the screws to create more storage capacity to ensure the pumps can run for a longer period before the area runs dry.

There is still a requirement for three areas of public footpath on Fleetwood Rd North to be raised to stop people having to walk into the road when heavy rain floods the pavement and in the case of one householder to stop water from flowing into her driveway up to her home. This is across the road from the new Coop. Mark is aware of this issue and we would like to be able to report to the residents when the work will be done.

Once again could we get an update from UU regarding the drainage issues with Marsh Road area? We are aware of the issues but need to ensure that this issue isn't forgotten about.

Also in the same area the pond on Royles Brook School is very high and there doesn't seem to be any flow out. There is rubbish in the dyke and we have reported deposits in the dyke adjacent to the footpath which look like possible sewage. Could we ask when was the culvert from the school which leads under Church Road last maintained?

It was good news that the dyke system on Hawley Gardens was eventually cleared of vegetation and the pond although looking as though it has been devastated was at least safer for children. The lifebuoys can now be clearly seen. I think it was a shock to some residents that they were responsible for the maintenance. Does there need to be more information on the Wyre Website regarding Riparian duties and which developments are affected?

## **St. Michaels FLAG**

The village suffered two episodes of flooding during December last - the first immediately before the December Forum and the second immediately before New Year. On the first occasion at least two homes were flooded and on both occasions the A586.

Following the meeting with all Agencies (except UU) reported at the December Flood Forum investigations have been carried out by Highways, Flag Members and UU relating to drainage in the centre of the village. Temporary pumping facilities arranged by Highways have proved beneficial in reducing road flooding on A586/Rawcliffe Road corner and a local farmer has exposed a clough from a private drain on the river bank to the north of the bridge which was inoperative. UU have carried out a survey of drains from houses but the findings have not been shared.

Investigations have also been made to confirm the ownership of the drain with clough in Gresty's field opposite the Church. This confirmed UU as the owner. It is reported to FLAG that the drain has been jetted on behalf of UU but that the clough will not shut so this may need replacing if not capable of repair. Apparently a sinkhole has been noted which may also have impact on the flooding of the A586 to the south of this field.

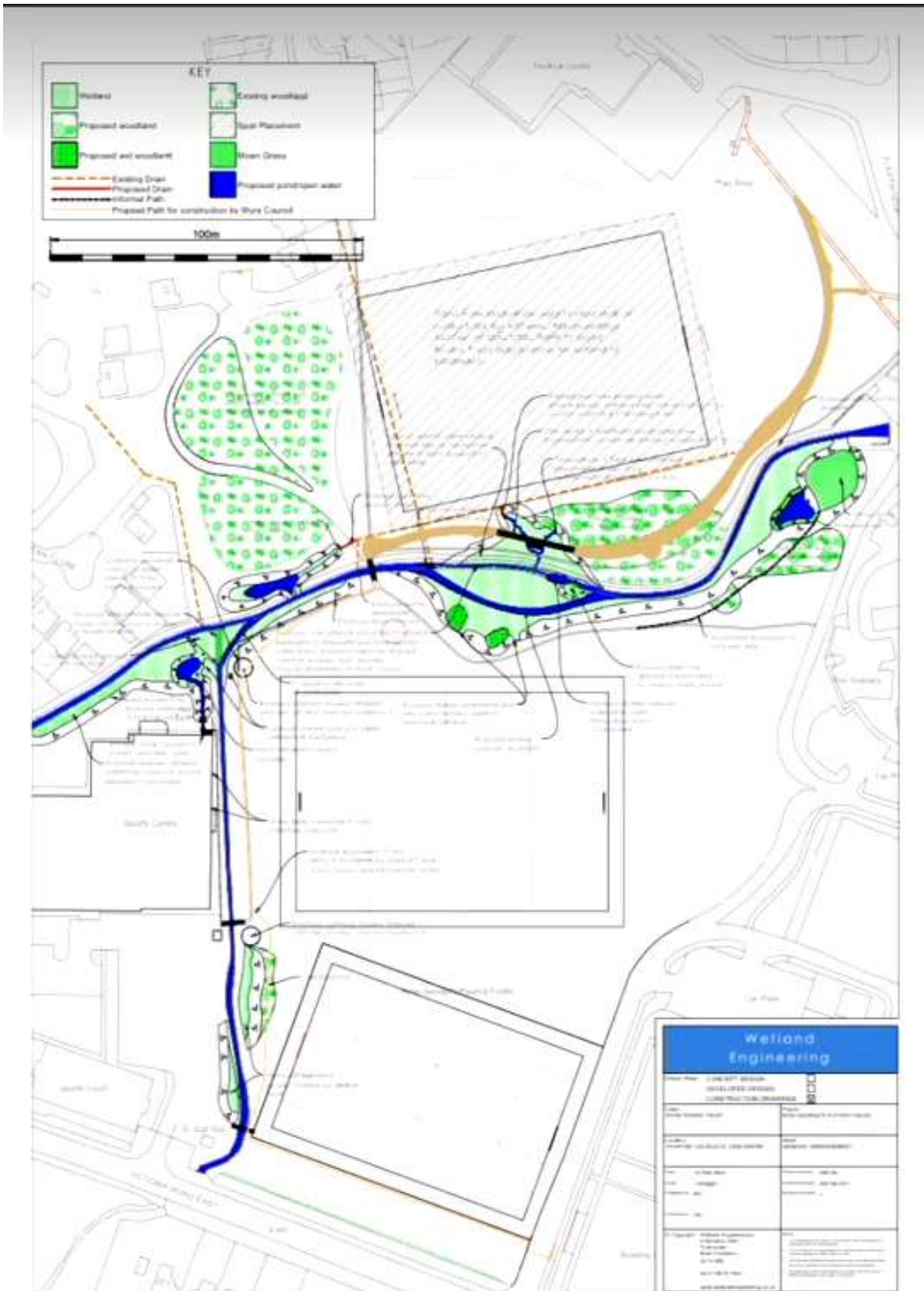
During December a fracture occurred in the pipe leading from St. Michaels pumping station to the Garstang WWTW. This is the twelfth occasion this pipe has fractured between Gt Eccleston and Churchtown to our knowledge. Although UU attended promptly to clean up and repair this took time and villagers' use of washing and toilet facilities was interfered with. In view of the lack of progress of UU to deal with pollution in the vicinity of Catterall's Farm which arises from the inadequacy of this pipe Ben Wallace MP is seeking to arrange a meeting with senior UU executives for them to explain reasons for the prolonged delay in resolving this very unsatisfactory situation.

Thanks are due to EA for resolving the worrying bank situation near Wild Boar Farm as promised at the last Flood Forum.



# APPENDIX B

## Planned Wetland King George's Fields, Thornton



## **APPENDIX C**

### Issues and Actions Log

# WYRE COUNCIL FLOOD FORUM – ISSUES & ACTIONS LOG



New / Urgent issue **R**

Ongoing issue **A**

Completed issue **G**

Updated text in bold/red

Incident No.	Description	Action	Location	RMA Lead	Other RMAs	A-Z ref	Date Added	Status	RAG
22/01 Feb 2022	The Avenue	- Surface water drainage from The Avenue direct to River Wyre to be cleared and route confirmed	Churchtown	LCC	WC		NEW 23/02/2022	- Works planned to be undertaken in April / May in conjunction with FLAG	R
22/02 Feb 2022	Green Wood off A585	- Surface water discharge from Green Wood to be restricted to prevent excessive flow to Ainspool Lane. Potential to install penstock to maintain surface water within the wood.	Churchtown	LCC	WC		NEW 23/02/2022	- Works planned to be undertaken in April / May in conjunction with FLAG	R
22/03 Feb 2022	Trees in River Wyre	- FLAG reports two trees in River Wyre approx. 300m downstream of Kirkland Bridge	Churchtown	EA			NEW 23/02/2022	- Issue previously reported but EA not able to locate trees	R
19/35	Gubberford Lane, Garstang Query re surface water drain connecting to septic tank	- UU to speak with customer and provide feedback	Garstang	UU	LCC		UPDATED 18/02/2021	Ongoing: - UU have visited the site and discussed with complainant. Not a public sewer so no further UU involvement. - LCC (Highways) to undertake investigation of road gullies to establish if misconnected.	A
22/04 Mar 2022	Flooding to High Street, Garstang.	- Flooding on highway to be investigated. Suspected outfall to River Wyre adjacent to High Street car park to be checked for issues.	Garstang	LCC	WC		NEW 01/03/2022	- LCC to check tidal flap at outfall to River Wyre and ensure that the pipe is clear/	R
22/05 Mar 2022	Flooding on Longmoor Lane, Nateby	- Regular flooding of highway	Garstang	LCC			NEW 01/03/200	- Long standing issue – LCC to investigate issue but suspected riparian responsibility	R
19/21	Great Eccleston pumping station 52544 - no evidence of sewage discharge from pumping station into the Wyre even though sewage discharged from pipe on Rawcliffe Road (see 19/20)	- UU to investigate and report back to Forum	Great Eccleston	UU			UPDATED 18/02/2021	Ongoing: - Site visit undertaken July 2019. - UU continuing to look into this. - UU remodelling network, including proposed new major housing development. - The project to accommodate the Great Eccleston development has been approved, and is with UU's Engineering and Capital Delivery team who have been tasked with providing a solution to alleviate the predicted detriment to the network. This is programmed to start in April 2021. Hopefully, (and if required) site investigations will be completed through June and July 2021, to then enter the discussions and contracts with UU's Contractor Delivery Partners in September 2021.	A
21/04	Flooding to Lancaster Road / Raikes Road.	- WBC and UU to undertake inspection of watercourses opposite Raikes Road and inspection of discharge pipe to River Wyre.	Great Eccleston	WBC	UU		UPDATED 18/02/2021	- Network inspected by WBC. Riparian owner of watercourse has undertaken clearance works at WBC's request - UU have inspected the outfall from the adjacent foul pumping station. The final section of pipework and the outfall accommodates both the overflow from Great Eccleston WWNT PS and a local watercourse that takes the highway drainage serving Raikes Road. The CCTV survey found no operational issues on this section and the upstream sections of the PS overflow. However, it was not possible to camera right up	A

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								to the shared outfall due to a bend in the pipe. A joint site inspection carried out by UU (PJW) and WBC (KG) found the waters in the Wyre above the outfall so it was not possible to inspect the flap valve (re-visit required). Please note that the modelling work carried out by UU indicates that flooding will occur from the manholes on the outfall and possibly the manholes on the piped watercourse (not included in the model but has very similar cover levels to that of the outfall) when the Wyre is high and the outfall closed.	
21/07	Flooding to Moss Side Lane – road impassable due to overflowing watercourse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EA to look at Whites watercourse which is overflowing onto land to the east.</li> <li>- LCC (Highways) to consider raising road levels</li> </ul>	Great Eccleston	EA	LCC		<b>UPDATED – 25/02/2022</b>	<b>Works programmed for the end of March 2022 to restore right bank crest level after overtopping damage.</b>	A
21/12	Butts Lane; junction with Back Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Highway flooding due to suspected blocked gullies.</li> </ul>	Great Eccleston	LCC			<b>UPDATED 01/03/2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LCC to investigate / clear gullies</li> <li>- <b>Gullies cleared</b></li> </ul>	G
19/06	Flooding of highway, Carr Lane, Hambleton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blocked gullies and/or watercourse near to Hambleton paper shop</li> <li>- LCC (Highways) have investigated and will undertake works to redirect highway drainage.</li> </ul>	Hambleton	LCC	UU, WBC		<b>UPDATED 15/02/2022</b>	<p><b>Ongoing – works undertaken</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LCC to undertake works to improve local highway drainage. Works to commence in New Year. New sub-group of MSfW formed.</li> <li>- Works to begin 2 March 2020 - See Sub-Group</li> <li>- UU Model shows flooding occurs from 1 in 5 year rainfall and below due to the system being overloaded by surface water during rainfall. Ongoing investigations into the catchment with a proposal to install flow monitors under the capital project Dynamic Network Management (DNM). Approval has already been obtained to mitigate a number of the properties that experience flooding and have been included in the YR22 programme.</li> <li>- LCC to survey drainage from Sandy Lane to culvert under Carr Lane.</li> <li>- WBC / LCC to liaise with resident at Queensland Country Park to look at opening up culverted watercourse.</li> <li>- <b>Highway drains cleared from Sandy Lane to Queensland. Damaged pipe repaired</b></li> </ul>	A
19/13	Kiln Lane / Sherbourne Road, Hambleton - Local area has suffered numerous flooding incidents resulting in internal flooding to a number of properties.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UU to consider installation of new inspection chamber on culverted watercourse for easier access</li> </ul>	Hambleton	ALL			<b>UPDATED 15/02/2022</b>	<p><b>Ongoing - works undertaken</b></p> <p>Carried over from MSfW Hot Spot</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UU have inspected the banks of Wardleys watercourse and not located discharge point from culverted watercourse.</li> <li>- Investigation works may be required to ensure that water from local area can freely discharge to watercourse.</li> <li>- UU have excavated in footpath but encountered high water table. Will need to find alternate access point to survey culvert. UU to dye test piped watercourse to locate outfall.</li> </ul>	A

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								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WBC to undertake investigation into repeated flooding.</li> <li>- LCC to use sond to locate outfall to Wardleys watercourse</li> <li>- LCC have located and cleared outfall from private culverted watercourse. EA to look at additional works to improve flow.</li> <li>- Reopened following flooding 29 Sept. New sub-group of MSfW formed.</li> <li>- Inspection undertaken of local surface water drainage to establish connections and condition. Gullies on Kiln lane and Sherbourne Road cleared.</li> <li>- Private culvert and watercourse to north of Kiln Lane cleared by LCC over Christmas 2020.</li> <li>- Additional survey of highway drainage has noted issues with gullies adjacent The Shovels. LCC to resolve issues.</li> <li>- <b>Highway drains checked and cleared; culvert to watercourse north of Kiln Lane cleared; watercourse cleared and desilted north of culvert outfall.</b></li> </ul>	
21/01	Pauls Lane, Sandy Lane, Stoney Lane, Market Street	- Surface water flooding during heavy rainfall - gullies surcharging onto highways	Hambleton	LCC	WBC, EA		<b>UPDATED 15/02/2022</b>	<b>Ongoing - works undertaken</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LCC (Highways) to undertake CCTV of private culverted watercourse to determine whether the pipe is blocked / broken.</li> <li>- Survey of highway drainage along Broadpool Lane to Sandy lane has noted issues with several highway gullies. LCC to resolves these issues.</li> <li>- <b>Highway drains on Pauls Lane and Sandy Lane cleared. Broken pipe on Sandy Lane repaired. Drainage on Sandy Lane cleared.</b></li> </ul>	A
21/02	Bull Park Lane / Shard Lane	- Highway flooding on Bull Park Lane	Hambleton	LCC	EA		03/02/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LCC (Highways) to check condition of gully on Bull Park Lane to determine whether the pipe is blocked / broken.</li> </ul>	A
21/05	Possible blocked surface water outfall Marsh Lane (Sandy Lane) FY6 9AW	- UU to investigate for blockages and report back to Forum	Hambleton	UU			24/05/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Planned site inspection by UU Wednesday 24/02/2021</li> <li>- UU have cleaned surface water pipes but report that watercourse requires desilting. EA to look into.</li> </ul>	A
21/08	Bluebrook Ave. Foul flooding during heavy rainfall events	- UU to investigate	Hambleton	UU			27/05/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New issue</li> </ul>	A
21/03	Flooding to property on Sunningdale Place, Inskip PR4 OUB	- UU to investigate and report to Flood Forum	Inskip	UU			18/02/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UU investigating the inundation of the foul sewer network by surface water.</li> <li>- The investigations undertaken identified a cross connection upstream of the pumping station. This has now been removed subsequently reducing the amount of surface water entering the foul system. UU have also installed mitigation on a property adjacent to the station to reduce the risk of flooding. Further</li> </ul>	A



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								investigations have been put on hold for now whilst UU monitor the effects of the recent findings and mitigation works undertaken.	
20/11	Flooding of the highway at the junction of St Johns Ave and School Lane	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Pilling	LCC			UPDATED 17/02/2021	- Query - check with LCC whether cleared. No issues in January 2021	A
20/12	Flooding of highway on Smallwood Hey Road	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Pilling	LCC			UPDATED 17/02/21	- Jan 2021 road still flooding along middle length of road. No complaints of residential flooding.	A
20/13	Flooding of highway on Moss House Lane. Concerns that housing development under construction adjacent to highway is exacerbating flooding	- Wyre Council Engineers and Planners to investigate	Pilling	WBC			UPDATED 17/02/21	- Site inspected by WBC Engineers. - WBC Planners have written to Developer to discuss flooding issues. - Developer is proposing changes to surface water drains to divert water away from watercourse Moss Side Lane. Details awaited. - Revised plans from developers approved	A
20/14	Highway drain on Lancaster Road (adjacent Bodkin Hall) blocked	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Pilling	LCC			UPDATED 17/02/21	- Check with LCC (Highways)	A
20/15	Flooding of highway on Carr Lane - Flooding outside Melrose and Ibrox	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Pilling	LCC			UPDATED 17/02/21	- Check with LCC (Highways)	A
20/16	Flooding of highway on Taylors Lane	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Pilling	LCC			UPDATED 17/02/21	- Collapsed sewer near to Mill - not repaired. - Surface water flooding	A
21/13	Flooding Wheel Lane	- Investigate flooding on Wheel Lane and complaint re local development	Pilling	LCC / WBC			UPDATED 16/02/2022	- <b>Site visited by WBC and LCC – residents spoken to. Watercourses cleaned out north of flooding. Dye test to be performed to determine where package treatment plant discharges.</b>	A
20/10	Flooding to properties on Snowdrop Dell, Hardhorn Road and Linderbreck Lane, Poulton 11 August 2020		Poulton	UU	LCC		UPDATED 18/02/2021	Ongoing: - UU undertaking CCTV survey of public sewers - The CCTV surveys of the public sewers and private drains immediately downstream of the property have been completed and no issue found. The property connects via gravity to the public foul sewer in Linderbreck Drive which in turn flows via gravity to public combined sewer in Hardhorn Road. UU NFA - Requested (24.08.2020) LCC check the condition of local highway drain.	A
19/07	Sunnyside Terrace has suffered a number of flooding events which have included internal flooding to properties – the most recent event was 22 November 2017.  The MSfW Group is looking to undertake initial works to carry out works to Green Lane watercourse to ensure that there is a clear discharge point for excess flood water.	- LCC to cut back willow tree in Green Lane watercourse to allow free flow in the watercourse. - LCC to undertake desilting works to culvert under Cart Gate. - LCC to undertake desilting works on Green Lane watercourse, including culvert under road. WBC to inform landowners adjacent to watercourse. - LCC to consider other flood mitigation works once the discharge point is cleared. - LCC / EA to inspect full length of Green Lane watercourse to its discharge point to River Wyre.	Preesall	LCC	All		UPDATED 01/03/22	- Desilting of watercourse completed by LCC – approx. 500m cleaned either side of Green Lane. - Walk through of Green Lane East watercourse undertaken (LCC/WBC). - Draft pumping plan written. - LCC to clear/desilt culvert under Cart Gate - practice trial of pumping plan undertaken - LCC to undertake road resurfacing July 2019 including additional gully and to look at road levels to reduce drainage runoff. - LCC works completed - watercourse cleaned out.	A

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	LCC have obtained a grant to undertake capital works to reduce the risk of flooding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EA to inspect and clear if necessary river outfall.</li> <li>- Update 21/02/19 - LCC (Highways)</li> </ul>						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inspection of northern part of Green Lane East watercourse to be inspected to look at clearing by EA.</li> <li>- New sub-group of MSfW formed to look at works on Preesall Hill.- See Sub-Group</li> <li>- Rivers Trust looking to introduce measures to reduce runoff from Preesall Hill towards Sunnyside Terrace.</li> <li>- Changes to profile of Preesall Hill presents problems with the WRT plans to reduce flows - requires meeting with landowners.</li> <li>- LCC to undertake topographical survey of Preesall Hill to allow revised drainage plan to be drawn up by WRT.</li> <li>- <b>WRT have produced works plan for Preesall Hill. To be presented to residents March 2022</b></li> </ul>	
19/08	Watercourse to rear of Meadow Ave, Preesall in urgent need of cleaning and reinstatement. Watercourse takes surface water from Pilling Lane and estate around Meadow Ave.		Preesall	WBC	LCC / EA		UPDATED 17/05/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LLFA (FRM Team) to investigate, potential enforcement action required.</li> <li>- Inspected LCC/WBC – WBC to look at community payback as possible option to clear on a one-off basis.</li> <li>- Still outstanding. Site to be inspected as part of community walkabout on 30 May and action planned.</li> <li>- Community Payback have confirmed that they do not wish to undertake this work. MSfW team to look to resolve.</li> <li>- WBC / LCC to issue letter to residents about need for works.</li> <li>- WBC / LCC to look at potential contributions to undertake works.</li> <li>- Watercourse identified as wholly being Developer responsibility. Developer to clear as part of construction works.</li> <li>- Developer has withdrawn current application, although second developer is showing interest.</li> <li>- Walkthrough arranged with FLAG for 3 June from Meadow Ave to Wheelfoot watercourse</li> </ul>	A
19/09	Pilling Lane, Preesall - Highway floods during heavy rainfall events. Road is only passable with care.		Preesall	WBC	LCC / EA		<b>UPDATED 25/02/22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LLFA (FRM Team) to investigate, potential enforcement action required</li> <li>- Flooding presumed to be linked to Meadows Ave watercourse and to be considered as the same issue</li> <li>- Still outstanding. Site to be inspected as part of community walkabout on 30 May 2018 and action planned.</li> <li>- LCC to investigate - see 19/08</li> <li>- LCC confirm that there is no connection from Pilling Lane to Meadow Ave.</li> <li>- <b>WBC confirm that surface water discharges from Pilling Lane into watercourse on Meadow Ave. Watercourse requires clearing.</b></li> </ul>	A

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								- EA planned targeted desilting to remove constructions and aid flows to pumping station. Work scheduled for the end of summer 22.	
19/11	Lancaster Road, Preesall - Flooding of fields and Lancaster Road. Road requires to be closed when flooded. Dykes are not draining, possibility of blockage under highway. Investigate if there is a blockage in the culvert.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Undertake preliminary investigations</li> <li>- Undertake appraisal to identify possible actions</li> </ul>	Preesall	LCC	WBC / EA		UPDATED 27/02/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LLFA (FRM Team) undertook initial site investigation and met local residents on Tuesday 15 November.</li> <li>- Dyke full and very limited flow. Maintenance cannot be undertaken on network of dykes until obstruction can be found and removed.</li> <li>- FRM have undertaken an investigation in January 2017. Culvert under highway was cleaned out and jetted to remove silt build up. Further works are required as there is a capacity issue and the embankment is slipping into the ditch.</li> <li>- Culvert now cleared. Works required to repair culvert end wall – LCC to undertake these summer 2017.</li> <li>- LCC/WBC have undertaken walk through and identified areas of work required.</li> <li>- LCC to undertake clearance of ordinary watercourses to improve flow to Green Lane East watercourse - works completed.</li> <li>- EA to look at clearing northern part of watercourse.</li> <li>- EA have inspected the watercourse; there is some vegetation in it, but it is flowing freely.</li> </ul>	A
20/05	Carr End Lane, Stalmine. Regular flooding of highway close to Lynwood Drive. Concerns have been raised about the proposed housing development adjacent to the site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Making Space for Water Group to hold a walkover of Stalmine issues with new FLAG. Date to be organised</li> </ul>	Stalmine	ALL			27/02/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MSfW to organise walkover with FLAG</li> </ul>	A
17/16	Embankment issues - Split in the bank of Wyre on south side downstream from Stockenbridge Farm (email 05/04/2017)	<p>Stockenbridge update for June 17 WFF</p> <p>1) A gateway on the crest has been reinstated with concrete slab to match the embankment crest level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 09/07/18 Works we had planned to carry out have been carried out.</li> <li>- No funding has allocated for any additional works.</li> </ul> <p>2) We've highlighted the concerns highlighted by FLAG to colleagues in Asset Performance to check that they are already aware of this issue. The relevant colleague is currently out of the office so we'll get an update when he returns. We'll also make sure he's aware of the offer for a site meeting if required.</p> <p>3) Additional location of 018 added following meeting on 16/01/18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2/7/18 Works we had planned to carry out have been carried out. No funding has allocated for any additional works.</li> </ul>	St Michaels	EA		M17 & 018	UPDATED 25/02/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EA - works to start summer 2019</li> <li>- EA confirmed that works are no longer going ahead. EA will look again to see if works can be included in financial year 20/21.</li> <li>- EA have undertaken investigation and confirmed embankment is not moving - works that were planned for 2020/21 have been rescheduled for 2021/22.</li> <li>- Works are programmed for 20/21. Work is part of the civils programme which also includes the works on Rawcliffe Road.</li> <li>- Work has been drawn up and contract issued but will be delivered in 21/22 due to in year budget reductions.</li> <li>- Awaiting update on works programme from EA</li> <li>- Permit submitted and approved. EA will update when construction date planned.</li> </ul>	A



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 05/11/18 - Aiming to carry out our usual embankment maintenance next as published online. Challenges around funding for any 'in-year' repairs until after April 2020 at earliest. If any 'Emergency Works' are identified funding would be made available but would require sign-off from Operations Manager.</li> <li>- 04/02/2019 looking at repairing the slump in the embankment at Stockenbridge Farm in 19/20. EA site visit on 25 Jan 2019 to understand scope of works. Work should commence summer 2019. They will involve removal of tree, reinstatement of crest width and embankment side.</li> <li>- EA to speak with landowner to discuss works in more detail.</li> </ul>							
18/26	Rivermede embankment - ongoing monitoring of the embankment at residential property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Resident to continue to monitor the embankment</li> </ul>	St Michaels			R17	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<p>Ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Knotweed treatment has taken place on the embankment and tree removal work is being scoped. The embankment is judged to be stable and EA are liaising with the landowner.</li> <li>- EA to continue to monitor.</li> <li>- EA are planning minor tree work to lessen flows being directed onto the gabion baskets.</li> <li>- When river is high garden is being flooded by leakage through embankment. What are EA planning to do with gabion baskets?</li> <li>- Programme work for 21/22 to investigate embankment to determine depth and width of gabion baskets and also potential seepage routes. Investigation will inform potential construction work.</li> <li>- Erosion is worsening / baskets are falling apart – Can EA confirm that investigation has been completed – what were findings?</li> <li>- Investigations funded for this year- to determine depth and width of gabion baskets and also potential seepage routes. Investigation will inform potential construction work.</li> <li>- <b>Site investigations to inform formal design due shortly. Full repair planned 2022/2023.</b></li> </ul>	A
18/41	Low spots - photos 6-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 09/07/18 - Not in the bid for next year's repair but will be considered for future capital scheme</li> <li>- 05/11/18 - Needs to link to UMW Project</li> <li>- PB to update</li> </ul>	St Michaels	EA		V17	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Maintenance planned for 20/21 to fill in low spots and vermin holes on Old House Embankment. See 18/32</li> <li>- Update required from EA as to when works planned for.</li> <li>- EA to advise if completed</li> <li>- Work to low spots completed</li> <li>- <b>Recommend closed. Work completed.</b></li> </ul>	G
18/42	Poaching - photos 12-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 12/7/18 EA aware and will carry out appropriate landowner engagement</li> </ul>	St Michaels	EA		V17, T17, Z11,	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WRT may be able to help with fencing works.</li> </ul>	G

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 05/11/18 - EA had recent publicity campaign with NFU / Local Media etc. to landowners. Monitoring over coming months to ensure compliance of landowners</li> <li>- Update 28/02/19 - EA are aware of this. Landowners / tenants need to take appropriate measures to fence off cattle /livestock from embankments.</li> </ul>				AC18, AD20		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We are gathering information on all areas that require fencing and the Environmental Management team is contacting landowners.</li> <li>- Update required from EA as to when works planned for.</li> <li>- EA to advise if completed.</li> <li>- <b>Recommend closed. Stock Proof fencing installed along the Brock.</b></li> </ul>	
18/43	Coir roll - no vegetation photo 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Revetment not vegetated. On 15/5/18 and it was agreed that this would be monitored this year to ensure it takes</li> <li>- 05/11/18 - Update required from project manager</li> </ul>	St Michaels	EA		EA repair sites - T17, V17, X17	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Please can FLAG re confirm location.</li> <li>- Update from EA required</li> <li>- EA will look to re seed when returning to seed recent embankment work at Old House.</li> <li>- EA to advise if completed</li> <li>- <b>Recommend closed.</b></li> </ul>	G
18/57	Consult FLAG re Upper Mid Wyre Project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 05/11/18 EA to provide details of how this can be actioned.</li> <li>- 08/11/18 - Extract from email sent from EA to FLAG 08/11/18, "EA will seek to invite comments from the relevant communities/flood action groups. This will be carried out once an initial assessment has been made and report is still in draft. Please note that we are expecting to be able to consult the Flood Action Groups either at the end of 2018 or start of 2019 and due to contractual obligations will only be able to have a consultation period of up to 10 working days.</li> <li>- 06/02/19 - EA to meet St Michaels FLAG to discuss further on the 15 Feb 2019</li> </ul>	St Michaels				<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<p>Project Ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EA to provide update in Pre Flood Forum report.</li> <li>- next update March 2020</li> <li>- EA to provide update on Project and copy of report</li> <li>- EA to provide an update</li> <li>- In January 2020 EA announced that the project was unlikely to commence to the next appraisal stage (Outline Business Case) due to constraints in available capital funding, as a result of the project's low Partnership Funding score. We are continuing to investigate the funding opportunities available to progress this project. However, progression of the project continues to be dependent on the project's Partnership Funding score improving. EA to continue to provide updates in Pre Flood Forum report.</li> <li>- <b>No change. Project paused, recommend closing action. Can re open if project is likely to restart</b></li> </ul>	G
19/20	Rawcliffe Road, St.Michaels - sewer pipe opposite Catterall Farm is surcharging and discharge into watercourse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UU to investigate and report back to Forum</li> </ul>	St Michaels	UU	EA		UPDATED 17/05/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UU are actively investigating.</li> <li>- <u>Agreed that this is not an issue for MSfW but is for UU to resolve.</u></li> <li>- FLAG asked that this item remain on list as it leads to flooding of highway.</li> <li>- A full survey of the rising main has been completed and the preliminary findings appear to show the rising main to be in good condition. The possibility of taking another sample of the rising main at a location closer to the station is being considered. However, UU are still waiting for the full report before any decision can be made with regard to increasing the pass forward flow (PFF). In the meantime the existing pumps and air valves will be refurbished/serviced to ensure they are ready and capable of delivering the increase in the PFF, should the rising main be structurally sound enough to take the increase in</li> </ul>	A

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								pressure. The ongoing issues at Rawcliffe Road will form part in the solution development, but implementing the solution will stand alone and require additional investment and approvals. Please see 19/21 - UU to provide update. EA to confirm details of licence / warnings and enforcement.	
20/03	White's Bridge on A586 - bridge structure leaking and water flowing onto highway, causing flooding	- LCC to investigate	St Michaels	LCC	EA	I22	UPDATED 17/05/21	- LCC Highway bridge inspector due to inspect. As part of the inspection they will identify any joints on the bridge structure which are allowing ingress. - EA/LCC undertaking surveys re access to properties on Moss Side Lane and flooding of A586	A
20/19	Road Flooding opposite the junction of Rawcliffe Road on the A586 - Mark O'Donnell mentioned that he had a project for this at the March 2019 Flood Forum but not further information has been received following FLAG request		St Michaels	EA / UU		S16	UPDATED 17/05/2021	- Completed? Check with LCC (Highways)	A
20/20	Non-functioning flaps/cloughs 1. north bank of Wyre upstream of bridge 2. south bank of Wyre downstream of bridge		St Michaels	EA and UU		1.T17 2.S18	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	- Flap Valve No.2 south bank of Wyre and downstream of the bridge is the only ancillary that appears to relate to a UU asset. - Initial inspection required as previous visits have not be able to locate the flap valve due to water levels and vegetation. - EA to arrange site visit with residents to discuss clearing of watercourse by valve 1. - UU to confirm location of valve 2 – check it is working OK - <b>EA - recommended to pick up actions in separate working group.</b>	A
20/21	North bank of River Wyre just west of bridge - erosion/slump of lower river bank		St Michaels	EA		S18	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	- This seems to have been caused by cattle poaching. - EA will work with landowner to reinstate fence. - EA will monitor the erosion and bid for fund to repair if it continues to worsen. - Erosion worsening. Livestock getting to river. EA to reinspect. - Erosion still limited to berm rather than embankment. EA contacting landowner. - <b>EA contacting landowner. Monitoring slump, Landowner has agreed to fence off area.</b>	A
20/22	Leaking and overtopping of Wyre bank between Turnover Hall and Ratten Row - completely flooding and blocking Rawcliffe Road for several days in early Nov 2020 (has occurred before on a number of occasions)		St Michaels	EA and LCC		M17 to A16	<b>UPDATED 25/02/22</b>	- EA - The embankment is piled in this location. Damage was caused during Storm Ciara which we have carried out a temporary repair on. Further work is programmed to be completed by March 2021 to repair and reinforce the crest. As	G

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								part of the same work we are also reconnecting a field drain that runs under the embankment. - LCC/EA working on – further update required. - Overtopping point and damaged wall section have both been repaired. - <b>Works complete. Recommend closed.</b>	
20/24	Frequent highway flooding of A586 between St Michaels Garage and Compton House		St Michaels	UU		Q16	UPDATED 17/05/21	- LCC to confirm whether works completed.	A
20/25	Bank slump/erosion confluence of New Draught and Old Draught or New Draught and Brock (not sure reported by a bank maintenance person when mowing in late Sept 2010 - not viewed by FLAG)		St Michaels	EA		AC22 or Z/AA 18	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	- EA will continue to monitor and bid for funds to repair. Current erosion not yet affecting the raised embankment. - Confirm that it is being monitored. - Being monitored through maintenance programme and asset inspections - <b>Monitoring embankment condition. EA to contact 3rd party landowner to fence off.</b>	A
21/09	Flooding to Allotment Lane	- Flooding of highway, and sewage flooding to gardens.	St Michaels	LCC	UU		NEW 17/05/2021		A
21/10	Lower Wild Boar, Rawcliffe Road	- River bank is leaking – trees growing in embankment	St Michaels	EA		J18	<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	<b>Works complete. Recommend closed.</b>	G
21/11	Humblescough Brook watercourse	- Someone has put in a clough under bridge on road leading to quarry.	St Michaels	EA			<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	- Can EA investigate? - <b>Not a new structure - landowners been informed no further action. Recommend close.</b>	G
18/04	What is the current status of the report into the study on Royles Brook / Hillylaid Pool and when will we receive this information? Has the Hillylaid Pool been desilted? Are there any issues which have been flagged up in the report to date?	- Royles Brook Geological Improvements report available for circulation as provided by Jonathan Croft on 18 Jan 2018. Stored in Thornton folder on Preston Drive - Update 21/02/19 - Awaiting response to report from EA.	Thornton	EA			<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	Ongoing. - Silt survey to be undertaken on Hillylaid Pool 2020/21 - results to be shared with FLAG. - EA to provide copy of the Modelling Report to the FLAG - <b>Recommend closed action.</b>	G
18/13	What is the current situation regarding the inspection and maintenance of the culverts / pinch points, a list of which was supplied to the Forum, by Thornton Flag?	- EA to provide written response for May 2018 WFF - Long section to be produced - WBC producing culvert list to include maintenance schedules	Thornton	WBC	EA		UPDATED 27/02/20	Ongoing - Maintenance works ongoing. List yet to be updated and made available to Forum. - Awaiting details on HE culvert under A585 at White Carr Lane, and Red Marsh Industrial Estate.	A
18/15	The Thornton FLAG has asked the EA if they can de- silt sections of the Hillylaid Pool system (assets 347659 and 375191). We had a reply from Paul Bond stating that they hoped to survey the area this summer. Does this mean that they agree with us that the weed cutting isn't sufficient so this will not now be done? Is the survey work to enable them to get the information they require so that they	- Nothing planned in this year's programme. Community Group can go ahead if they start from upstream end and need to apply for Permit. - Response provided ahead of May 18 WFF	Thornton	EA			<b>UPDATED 25/02/2022</b>	Ongoing See 18/04 - Silt survey to be undertaken on Hillylaid Pool 2020/21 - results to be shared with FLAG. - Routine maintenance will continue as normal. - Survey has been completed and although silt accumulations are present, variations in the hard bed mean that desilting is unlikely to increase flows.	A

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	can decide what equipment and manpower will be required to do the de-silting?							- <b>Survey has identified that there is limited benefit to desilting this section. As, the invert level of the Belvedere Road bridge is higher than School Road outfall. We will continue to do our frequent maintenance weed cutting in this section.</b>	
19/14	School Road, Thornton -Several properties on School Road flooded Nov 2017.  Source of flooding appears to be surface water from local surface water drains, suspected blocked highway gullies and poor maintenance of watercourse behind properties	- LCC to carry out cleaning of local highway gullies WBC to contact Network Rail re maintenance of watercourse - Inspection of local drainage network to be undertaken to identify issues - WBC to draft flooding report from Nov 2017 to identify issues and propose resolution.	Thornton	WBC	UU		UPDATED 18/02/21	Carried over from MSfW Hot Spots Ongoing - Gullies cleaned 29 May - NR have responded that they are not responsible for the watercourse – WBC to pursue this further - Inspection of watercourse and local drainage carried out by WBC/ Thornton FLAG 22 May - Flooding report in progress – to be presented to FLAG June 2018 - LCC to serve formal notice on Network Rail to undertake maintenance works - UU to look at blocking off outlet in main sewer to prevent flooding on watercourse - NR to clear watercourse - date to be agreed - UU/EA/WBC to inspect outfall to Hillylaid Pool to ensure free discharge/ - NR have completed watercourse works - Known flooding location which is predicted by the model to flood during storm events of less than 1 in 10 years. Consequently major capital investment is required in this part of the catchment to reduce the risk of flooding which is currently being investigated. The public sewers serving School Road are on the planned cleaning schedule to ensure the system operates at its maximum capacity at all times. A number of the properties on School Road have already been fitted with mitigation and UU are looking at the possibility of protecting others.	A
19/15	New Lane, Thornton Several properties on New Lane flooded Nov 2017.  Source of flooding appears to be surface water from runoff from local fields, surcharged sewers and surface water drains.	- WBC to contact Highways England re maintenance of culverts under A585 Amounderness Way - WBC to draft flooding report from Nov 2017 to identify issues and propose resolution.	Thornton	WBC	All		UPDATED 15/02/21	Carried over from MSfW Hot Spots Ongoing: - Culvert under A585 now cleared. - Inspection of watercourse and local drainage carried out by WBC/ Thornton FLAG 1 Feb 2018 – WBC to identify responsibility for all culverts on Royles Brook and Hillylaid Pool - Flooding report in progress – to be presented to FLAG June 2018 - WBC investigation ongoing. - EA to investigate additional dredging works on Hillylaid Pool south of New Lane. - Wyre Council have updated automatic level sensors in pumping stations and replaced sensor batteries.	A



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								- Sensors adjusted so that pump switches on earlier.	
19/27	Can we have a progress report regarding the inspection and condition of the Thornton culverts? See 18/13	- WBC to provide update at March 19 WFF	Thornton	WBC	EA		UPDATED 27/02/20	- Inspection / cleaning works in progress. FLAG have been invited to see works. - Report to be updated and passed to FLA\g. - Most inspected and found to be OK - A585, Marsh Mill and Stanah Gardens yet to be checked.	A
19/29	Springfield Drive, Thornton - are there any updates re the surface water flooding to Springfield Drive from the Poolfoot Sports facility?	- WBC to update FLAG	Thornton	WBC	UU		UPDATED 27/02/20	Ongoing. - No updates to report at this time. - Location to be included in Wyre investigations.	A
19/30	Fleetwood Road North - are there any updates on investigative work regarding the section of Fleetwood Road North between West Drive and Bourne Way	- UU to update FLAG	Thornton	UU	EA / WBC		UPDATED 18/02/21	- Drainage to be inspected, including discharge to watercourse on Bourne Road. - LCC have cleared highway drains. NPL have agreed to clear drains on Bourne Way and clear watercourse from Fleetwood Road. - NPL still to complete clearing of watercourse on Bourne Road. - UU will look at undertaking the cleaning of the public surface water sewers on the section of Fleetwood Road North between West Drive and Bourne Way as part of the planned de-silting schedule. Dates to be confirmed	A
20/06	Norcross Lane / White Carr Lane - concerns that highway culverts under Norcross Lane and White Carr Lane (at junction with Bescot Way) are silted up	- LCC to inspect and clear as necessary	Thornton	LCC			UPDATED 28/05/20	New from resident. - LCC works planned for April 2020 - Works delayed; site visit to be arranged - Works planned for week commencing 22 June	A
20/07	Flooding to Stanah Road at junction with Cathrow Road	- Suspected blockage in culverted watercourse	Thornton	LCC	UU		UPDATED 28/05/20	New From FLAG / Resident - LCC / UU to inspect to determine what works required. Suspected riparian owner responsibility. - Works delayed; site visit to be arranged. - Site visit with FLAG planned for end of June.	A
20/08	Royles Brook School, Thornton	- Suspected blockage in culverted watercourse	Thornton	LCC	UU		UPDATED 18/02/21	- LCC / UU to inspect to determine what works required. Suspected riparian owner responsibility. - Works delayed; site visit to be arranged - Site visit with FLAG planned for end of June. - UU have inspected drainage in the area. Inspection shows surface water drains have been sealed off. No clear indication as to how local surface water drain discharges. Further investigation to be undertaken on 9 Sept. - UU investigation has found that the section of surface water sewer serving Marsh Road was found to go to ground rather than connecting to the SW sewer coming from Linden Avenue. Due to the invert levels it is not be possible to connect this section up as the sewer from Linden	A

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								Avenue is higher. Consequently the preliminary investigation appears to show only 2 possible solutions. The first would involve connecting the SW sewer from Marsh Road to the pond located in the school grounds (levels permitting). The other would involve taking the sewer down Wordsworth Avenue until a suitable level could be found to enable it to be connected back into the existing SW sewer. Further work is required to progress a solution and obtain funding. In the meantime UU will look at what can be done to reduce the risk of flooding to the properties.	
20/09	Flooding to property on Aintree Road, Thornton	- Flooding to property - UU to check whether any blockage in surface water drain on Fleetwood Road South	Thornton	UU	LCC		UPDATED 18/02/21	- UU undertaking CCTV survey of public surface water drain. - LCC to check highway drains on Aintree Road and Fleetwood Road South - UU have checked the public surface water sewer from Aintree Road to Fleetwood Road South to 80m but no visual as camera underwater. Require LCC/WBC to check for any possible issues with highway drain/outfall.	A
20/17	Flooding of highway to Lawsons Road on 11 August 2020	- LCC to investigate for blocked gullies	Thornton	LCC			UPDATED 15/02/21	- LCC cleaned highway gullies on Lawsons Road and Briar Road. - WBC inspected culverted watercourse and installed tidal flap at discharge point to Hillylaid Pool watercourse - UU have undertaken cleaning of sewers on Lawson Road – blocked with fat from commercial properties.	A
20/18	Flooding of highway and residential gardens from foul drainage system - Calder Ave	- UU to investigate and report back to Forum	Thornton	UU			UPDATED 18/02/21	- UU attended site 14.08.2020 on carried a number of external clean ups and carried out an initial investigation into the cause of the flooding. - An additional CCTV survey was completed on the 24.08.2020 and found no operational issues. - Consequently it would appear that the public sewer network was inundated with surface water as a result of a 1 in 687 storm. NFA	A
21/06	External surface water flooding to the property Holmefield Close	- UU investigation into status of surface as it appears to be a piped watercourse not a public sewer.	Thornton	UU			UPDATED 18/02/21	- It is UU intention to investigate the status of the pipe and have it reclassified as a watercourse. However, due to the current review into the procedure to change the status of a public sewer and the number of possible landowners it has been put on hold. - On hold as the process for having the status of a public sewer changed is currently being reviewed - NFA	A
19/36	Church Lane, Winmarleigh at junction of Old Hall Farm Drive flooded 07/03/19 . Suspected inadequate drainage capacity.		Winmarleigh	LCC			UPDATED 27/02/20	- LCC to investigate. No action to date.	A





