

Minutes of

Church View Flood Prevention Meeting

on Friday 4th September 2020 at 9.30 am

Present: Pauline Crockett, Ward Cllr, Ron Davies (Lyde Parish Councillor) Emma Noble Ldye Parish council Clerk), Dawn Mooton (resident) Alex Seaborn (resident), Bruce Evans (Engineering Manager, Herefordshire Council) Phil Pankhurst, (Locality Steward), Joel Hockenhull (Senior Drainage Engineer, Balfour Beatty) Steve Hodges (Local Directorate Team Leader, Herefordshire Council)

- 1. Drainage West HE update** – HE have lowered the gully on the A49 and whilst this is an improvement it will still need to be monitored – the residents present will monitor the situation. Four gully's on the A49 are due to be jetted. EN will speak with Lyde PCC in regard to keeping the road/pavement clear of the cones/pine needles from the tree in the churchyard as these drop onto the course the water takes and adds to the drain on Church Road becoming congested.
- 2. Herefordshire Council Drainage – potential improvements and resilience** – The amount of drains along Church Road were looked at and extra drainage was discussed. The gully was also looked at and other possible pipework/gully's were also looked at. Drains along Church Road have been emptied as agreed by BB. Pipework from a drain midway up Church Road was confirmed to be 450mm and then narrows to 375mm at The Glebe, Church View which was installed with the development. JH will report back on potential highway drainage works and gully improvements, hopefully within 14 days. AS enquired if drainage works are to be improved what the timescale would be and both SH and JH confirmed that there is currently a high volume of highway drainage works that have already been prioritised. This schedule of works will be assessed and prioritised in the coming weeks.
- 3. Drainage North - discharging to the outfall** – Pipework at The Glebe, Church View was looked at and feedback from the investigation work that the proprietors had undertaken was considered. The investigation reported no blockage and DM will look at report to confirm where possible size in pipe decreases. The pipe at The Glebe is 375mm. The working party visited the brook where the water is carried out to and the pipe there is 300mm. The reduced capacity was agreed by all those present to be far from ideal and a possible contributing factor. JH and BE will provide details about possible grants the residents can look into that will fund work on these pipes to bring them to the same size as the 450mm diameter upstream of the highway and 450mm diameter below the highway so. EN will write to No 3 in regard to trees being cut back to allow the farmer to clear the brook, therefore keeping the brook flowing and taking rainwater/floodwater away. Church View is an unadopted road and an extra drain was put in some time ago. This is a separate pipe to the one on Church Road but exit at the brook.
- 4. Drainage South – Kenchester Water Gardens** – DM had spoken with Charlotte from the Duchy re brook that runs along Kenchester Water Gardens in regards to maintenance and flow. The water gardens has a large car park and rainwater runs from this onto Church Road, contributing to the already over loaded capacity. EN will write to Kenchester with a view of asking them to consider drainage in the car park to help ease the flow of water running onto Church Road and that any action they can take would be appreciated.

- 5. Drainage East** It was felt that the ditch by Mountain View is purely a ditch and not part of the drainage course but letter and leaflet re responsibilities to keep ditches clear.