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## NOTICE OF MEETING

20 October 2023

To: All Members of the Worplesdon Flood Forum

You are hereby summoned to attend the Worplesdon Flood Forum to be held in Council Chambers at Worplesdon Parish Council, Unit 2 Saxton, Parklands, Railton Road, Guildford, GU2 9JX on **Friday 17 November 2023 at 10.00am** for the purpose of transacting the following business. The meeting will also be hosted on Microsoft Teams - please contact me for joining details.

Signed:

*Gaynor White*

Mrs G F White PSLCC  
Clerk to the Council

**Residents are reminded that for items to be added to the Flood Forum agenda, reporting codes from the appropriate authority should be included with their requests. This allows the agencies involved to address the issue/s more effectively.**

## AGENDA

1. To accept apologies.
2. Minutes of the previous meetings:

The following Council minutes are to be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record:

- Flood Forum meeting held – 24 February 2023

For information:

- Informal minutes – Flood Forum Walkabout – 14 July 2023

### Worplesdon



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Map: A322 roundabout junction with Holly Lane, Perry Hill

4. Rokers (off map):  
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3. Holly Lane roundabout continues to flood – Repeatedly reported to SCC [SCC Ref. 2406145 – case closed by SCC but issue remains].

2023: To receive an update from Surrey County Council [this item to be included with item 4\* because SCC Highways advised they are to be linked].

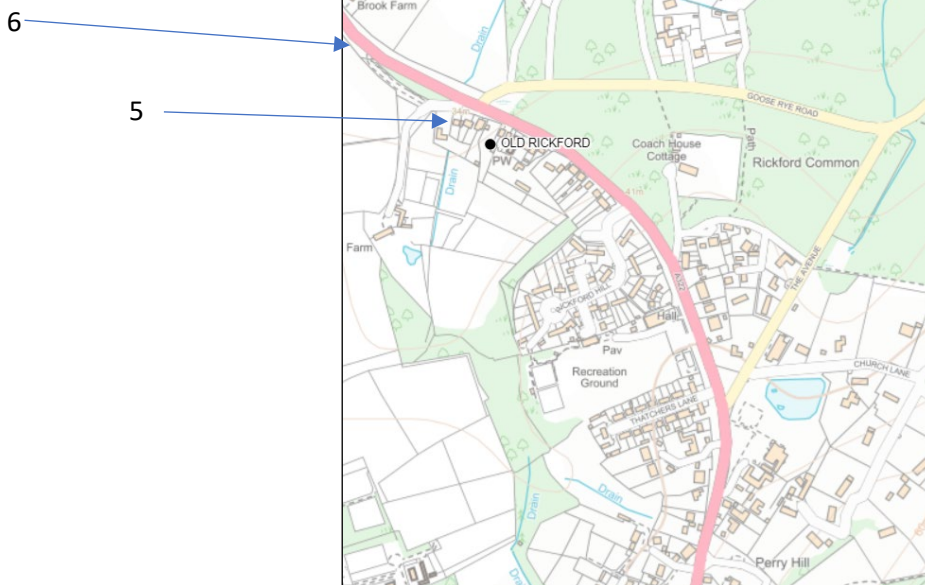
3\*. Surface water drain blocked with soil/grass, Holly Lane (between top roundabout and Pitmore Farm) – Reported to SCC [SCC Ref. 2406152 – case closed by SCC but issue remains].

2023: To be included with Agenda item 4.

4. Service Road, Rokers – Reported to SCC [SCC Ref. 2485565].

2023: To receive an update from SCC.

### Worplesdon and Rickford



Map showing Fox Corner, Rickford, up to Perry Hill

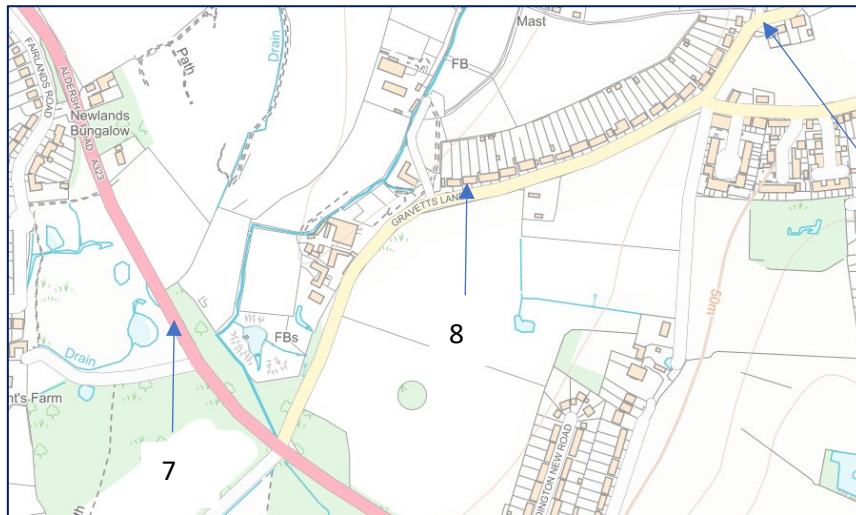
5. Rickford – Three properties at Rickford [Holly Bank, Rickford Bungalow and Ellesmere House] experienced flooding, together with two experiencing water surging up through toilets, during the rainfall event on 20/10/2021. Reported to SCC.

2023: To receive an update from Diana Brown (Angela Richardson MP’s office) regarding progress following the letter issued to the landowner opposite. To receive an update from SCC regarding ditch clearance in the area.

6. Rickford – Right of Way access compromised during wet weather periods. Reported to SCC [SCC Ref. IC 30859/31025].

2023: To receive an update from SCC.

## **Fairlands**



Map showing junction of Gravetts Lane with Aldershot Lane

- 7. Aldershot Road (between Newlands and Hunt's Farm) – Serious flooding of the carriageway which has been reported to SCC. Grips and ditches need to be maintained including cleaning letterbox gullies (SCC) [SCC Ref. 1591440, 240620 and 81591440 – case closed by SCC but issue remains].**



This photograph shows the water after it had receded to the central white lines (October 2020). The rainwater regularly reaches the centreline, and did again in October 2021, making the road impassable to cyclists and pedestrians, and difficult for motorists travelling towards Rydes Hill/Guildford.

**2023: To receive an update from SCC.**

- 8. 4 Gravetts Lane – Multiple issues at this location – Sewage had repeatedly flooded the garden of the property, and multiple manhole covers in the road keep lifting. Both SCC and Thames Water dispute the ownership of manholes at this location.**

**2023: To receive an update from both the resident and from Angela Richardson MP regarding progress made following the site meeting held 25.11.22.**

- 9. Tangle Lane (near cottages) – Severe flooding has affected motorists and pedestrians at this location [SCC Ref. 2485651, ME921160, 2403922, and 2404862].**

**2023: To receive an update from SCC/GBC regarding this issue.**



Tangle Lane flooding (January 2023) – Photo provided by a resident

**Jacobs Well**

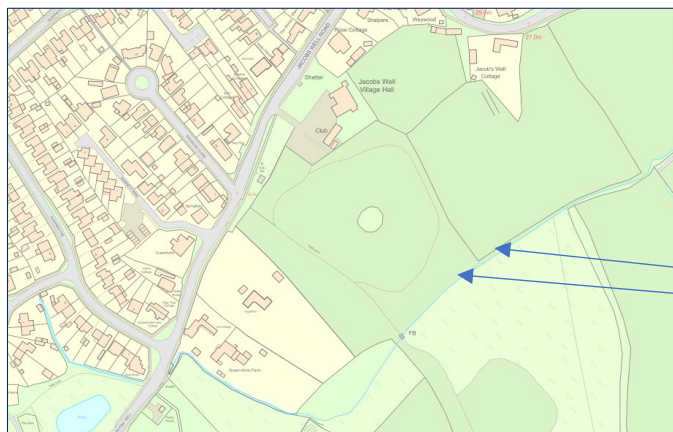


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Map showing Jacobs Well

**10. Open ditch – Treebys/Queenhythe – To establish land ownership/responsibility for maintenance of this ditch [SCC Ref. 2406226].**

**2023: Surrey County Council to provide an update regarding installation of the promised fence rail.**



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Map showing Harry's Meadow, Jacobs Well

**11. Harry's Meadow, Jacobs Well – Debris in the ditch has been reported to Guildford Borough Council (GBC) on a number of occasions [no reference number provided by GBC].**

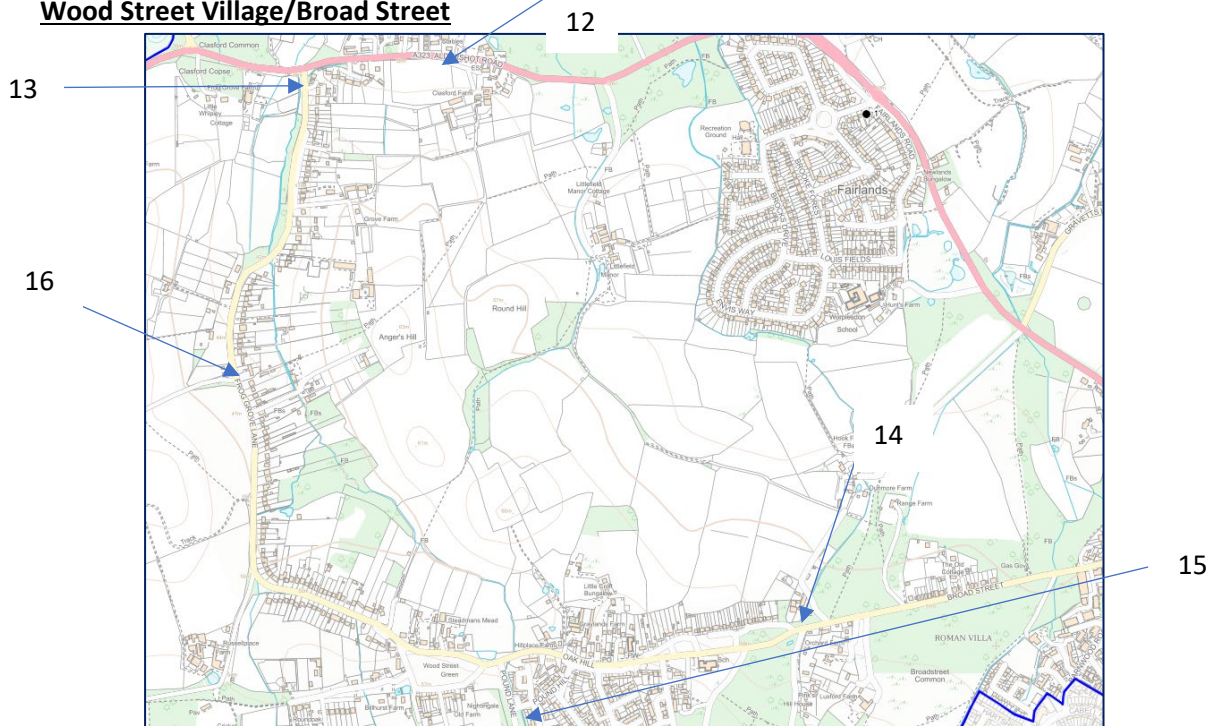
**2023: To receive an update from GBC regarding the timescale for ditch clearance works at this location and the progress of the Burpham Court SANG.**

**11\*. Blocked drain, Jacobs Well – Reported by resident. [SCC Ref. 2060618]**

**2023: To receive an update from SCC.**



## Wood Street Village/Broad Street



Map showing Wood Street Village, Aldershot Road, and Fairlands

**12. Aldershot Road, outside the Vivid Homes building site/glasshouses – Highway flooding during October 2021. Surrey Fire and Rescue were in attendance to pump out water to make it passable to vehicles [SCC Ref. 2406250 – case closed although issue not resolved].**

**2023: This item to be addressed in conjunction with the issues affecting the flooding at Frog Grove Lane/Aldershot Road junction. To receive feedback from SCC Highways (Jason Lewis) regarding drains and ditches in the vicinity following the Summer 2023 Flood Forum walkabout.**

**13. Frog Grove Lane/junction with Aldershot Road – Multiple issues with ditch maintenance together with significant continuing instances of highway flooding at this location [SCC Ref. 2452233 and 2406258].**



Photograph showing Frog Grove Lane/Aldershot Road flooding – October 2021. The footpath is impassable, and the water in the centre of the highway was too deep for pedestrians or cyclists, and some vehicles.

**2023: To receive updates from:**

- **Jason Lewis (SCC) regarding the effectiveness of the 2022 and 2023 works undertaken, and the linking up of the ditches and drains in the vicinity and running along Aldershot Road.**
- **Janice Longman (Environment Agency) regarding the main river ditch being silted up, and potentially having a blockage/multiple blockages.**

**To also consider the possibility of having signage stating ‘Road liable to flooding’ at this location.**



**14. Oak Hill/Pinks Hill – The flooding at this location caused a vehicle to leave the road and required police attendance in November 2022 [SCC Ref. 2414769].**

**2023: To receive an update from SCC Highways and SCC Countryside teams. [Flood water observed at this location in October 2023 which dissipated in 24 hours but still, in conjunction with the Frog Grove Lane flooding, cut the village off to pedestrians]**

**15. Blocked grilles at Wood Street Village – These caused flooding to residential properties at Wildfield Close in October 2021. Past discussions related to the involvement of Guildford Borough Council and Surrey County Council with regard to the effectiveness of removing silt and arisings from these and other grilles.**

**2023: To receive an update from Guildford Borough Council regarding the potential provision of portable CCTV at this location and a temporary community skip, through JAG (Helen Barnsley).**

**16. Sandy Lane, Frog Grove Lane – The blocked ditch causes water to flow across the road, and this freezes in winter [SCC Ref. 2440668].**

**2023: To receive an update from SCC following jetting and works completed to the ditch.**

### **Rydes Hill**



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Map of Liddington Hall Drive and A323 Aldershot Road

**17. Liddington Hall Drive – Blocked ditch and enlargement of access road has increased run-off [SCC Ref. CE004941 and 2487424]. This has caused flooding to the front of a property. SCC engineer has been out to assess, and recommended a replacement kerb, but the blocked ditch issue remains, as does the increased hard-standing on the enlarged access road.**

**2023: To receive an update from Surrey County Council Countryside Team regarding progress and potential enforcement for non-conformity.**

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**18. 26 Rydes Hill Crescent and Kingsland, Rydes Hill Road – Potential blockage has caused residential flooding [SCC Ref 47075]. Flooding has occurred in gardens and potentially to a property. 2023: To receive feedback from SCC.**

**Keens Lane**

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**19. Keens Lane (near Pitch Place) – Pond overtopping the road, which is exceptionally dangerous in the winter. This has been reported to SCC [SCC Ref. 2415960 and 2062956]. It appears that one pond is on unregistered land and is therefore not being regularly monitored or maintained. 2023: To receive an update from Worpleston Parish Council.**

**20. Date of next meeting: Friday 1 March 2024 – 10am at Worpleston Parish Council office.**