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## NOTICE OF MEETING

30 September 2024

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 18 October 2024 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:

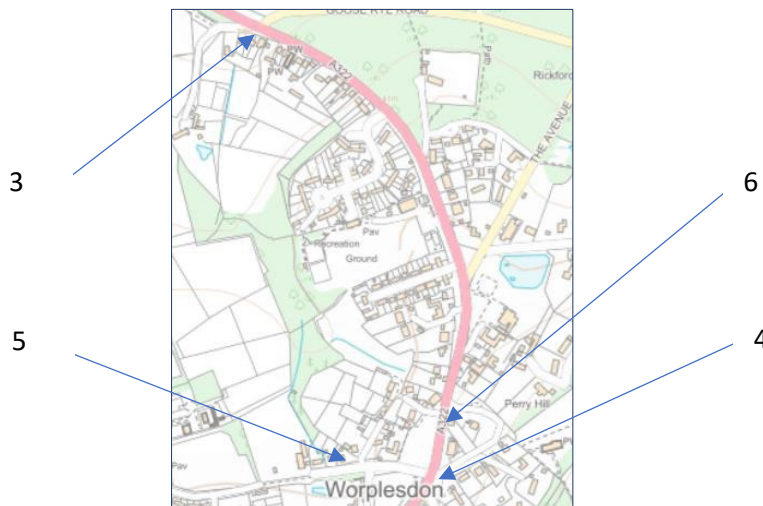
The following Council minutes are to be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record:

- Flood Forum meeting held – 1 March 2024

For information:

- Informal minutes – Flood Forum Walkabout – 5 July 2024

### Worplesdon and Rickford



Map showing Fox Corner, Rickford, up to Perry Hill

- 3. 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 and on multiple subsequent occasions. Reported to SCC (SCC Ref No 2848209/100512) and Thames Water (TW Ref No 00504965).

2024: To receive an update from all parties involved (SCC and Thames Water).

- 4. White Lyon House, Perry Hill – Service road flooded following heavy rain. Impassable for carer (pedestrian) visiting residential premises. Reported to SCC (SCC Ref No 170687 and 142459).

2024: SCC visited the site and there was no water present as the flood water had drained away. Residents to continue to report flood water which remains for more than 24 hours after precipitation has ceased. SCC to consider enforcement action against land owners who continue to allow surface water runoff to flood the public highway. [S163 Highways Act 1980]

- 5. Mulberry Cottage, Coombe Lane – Flooding to garage. Reported to SCC (SCC Ref No 163185).

2024: To receive an update from SCC regarding this issue.

- 6. Sunnyside, Perry Hill – Run-off through garden and driveway to blocked drain on road. Blocked drain reported to SCC (SCC Ref No 165818).

2024: Runoff from St Mary’s Church car park and access road caused water to flow through a garden, down a driveway, and block a drain on Worplesdon Road. To receive an update from SCC as to whether the drainage asset has been unblocked. What are the Church Wardens planning to do to alleviate this situation?

**Jacobs Well**



Map showing Harry’s Meadow, Jacobs Well

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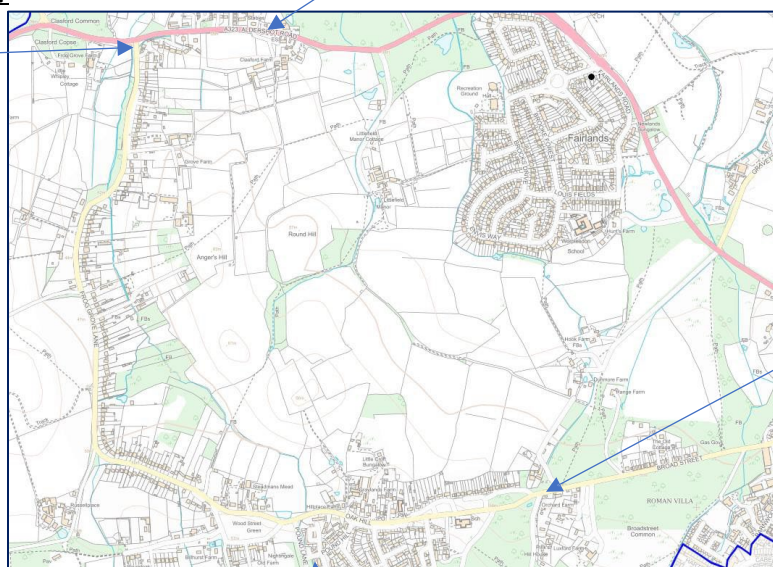
- 7. Harry’s Meadow, Jacobs Well – Debris in the ditch has been reported to Guildford Borough Council (GBC) on a number of occasions [no reference number provided by GBC].

2024: To receive an update from GBC regarding the timescale for ditch clearance works at this location and the progress of the Burpham Court SANG.

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**Wood Street Village/Broad Street**

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Map showing Wood Street Village, Aldershot Road, and Fairlands

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- 8. Aldershot Road, outside the Vivid Homes building site/glasshouses – Highway flooding during October 2021. Subsequent flooding during Storm Henk at this location to properties on Fair Oaks/Pine Park/bungalows along Aldershot Road/Halifax Close. [Thames Water Ref Nos 00505296, 00505591, 00505308, 00505316, 00505320, 00505258, and 00505721. SCC Ref Nos 2859799, 97761, and 2839792].**

2024: To receive an update from SCC following the Section 19 investigation undertaken as a result of residential property flooding during Storm Henk [SFRS attended], and the significant works which have taken place at this location during late Summer 2024.

- 9. 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 Nos 2452233, 2406258, and 170732].**



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.

2024: To receive updates from:  
SCC regarding the works undertaken at this location w/c 23 September 2024, and the EA regarding issuing a letter to the owners of Merrist Wood Golf Course to highlight the importance of regular maintenance of the main river channel as it crosses their land.

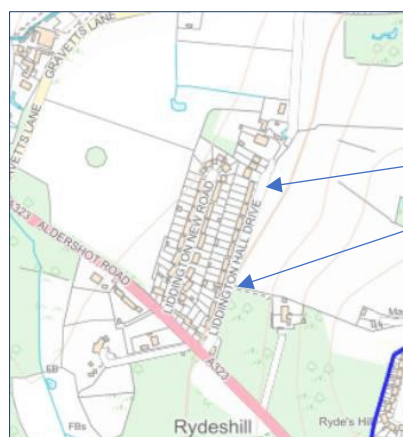
- 10. Blocked grilles at Wood Street Village – These caused flooding to residential properties at Wildfield Close in October 2021. Past discussions related to the involvement of Guildford Borough Council and Surrey County Council with regard to the effectiveness of removing silt and arisings from these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

2024: To receive an update from SCC following the Section 19 investigation undertaken as a result of residential property flooding during Storm Henk [SFRS attended to remove mattress].

- 11. 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 No 2414769].**

2024: To receive an update from SCC Highways and SCC Countryside teams. [Flood water also observed at this location in January 2024, which meant Wood Street Village was cut off due to the Frog Grove Lane flooding]

## Rydes Hill



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Map of Liddington Hall Drive and A323 Aldershot Road

**12. Liddington Hall Drive – Blocked ditch at two locations and enlargement of separate access track has increased run-off [SCC Ref Nos CE004941 and 2487424].** Flooding reported at this location during Storm Henk [SFRS attended].

2024: To receive an update from SCC, residents, and Merrist Wood College regarding works at this location.

**Monitoring Schedule:**

**13. Keens Lane (near Pitch Place) – Pond overtopping the road, which is exceptionally dangerous in the winter. This has been reported to SCC [SCC Ref Nos 2415960 and 2062956].**

It appears that one pond is on unregistered land and is therefore not being regularly monitored or maintained.

**14. Keens Lane/Montague Place – Flooding to a property during Storm Henk.**

GBC Planning Enforcement Team are investigating. [GBC Ref Nos En/24/00024 and 2860977]

**15. Wood Street Village Pond – Sewage leaking at times of heavy rain.**

Repeatedly reported to Thames Water however sewage leaks continue, contaminating the pond. [TW Ref No 00742499]

**16. The Pines, Broad Street – Worplesdon Parish Council’s Head Groundsman Peter Trevena has noted that pollution is entering the watercourse again at this location.**

To be re-reported by WPC to the Environment Agency (who previously wrote to occupiers at this location).

**17. Date of next meeting: Friday 14 March 2025 – 10am at Worplesdon Parish Council Office.**