



Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4)

Time and Date

10.00 am on Thursday, 2 December, 2021

Place

Diamond Rooms 1 and 2, Council House, Coventry

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Public Business

1. **Apologies and Substitutions**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Minutes** (Pages 3 - 6)
 - a) To agree the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 November, 2021
 - b) Any matters arising
4. **Flood Risk Management and Drainage Update Report** (Pages 7 - 44)
Briefing Note of the Director of Transportation and Highways
5. **Update on Housing Licensing Scheme and Enforcement** (Pages 45 - 56)
Briefing Note of the Director of Streetscene and Regulatory Services
6. **Work Programme and Outstanding Issues 2021-2022** (Pages 57 - 60)
Report of the Director of Law and Governance
7. **Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved**

Julie Newman, Director of Law and Governance, Council House Coventry

Wednesday, 24 November 2021

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Membership: Councillors R Auluck, R Bailey, L Bigham (Chair), M Heaven, A Hopkins, J Mutton, S Nazir, R Thay and S Walsh

By invitation Councillors P Akhtar, P Hetherton, AS Khan, G Lloyd and D Welsh

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Minutes of the Meeting of Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) held at 10.00 am on Thursday, 4 November 2021

Present:

Members: Councillor L Bigham (Chair)
Councillor R Auluck
Councillor M Heaven
Councillor A Hopkins
Councillor S Keough
Councillor S Nazir
Councillor R Thay

Employees (by Directorate):

Adults: P Fahy, J Crawshaw
Law and Governance: V Castree, L Knight
Streetscene and
Regulatory Service: R Back

Citizen (by Invitation): N Byrne – Executive Director of Development
M Nelson – Chief Operating Officer

Apologies: Councillor R Bailey
Councillor J Mutton and D Welsh

Public Business

7. Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

8. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2021 were agreed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

9. Housing and Homelessness Services Update

The Board considered a briefing note which provided an update on Housing and Homelessness Services.

The Head of Adults introduced the item and indicated that the briefing note covered a range of the housing and homelessness issues and provided an update on progress with various housing and homelessness initiatives, along with key issues resulting from the Covid 19 Pandemic and steps to ensure a supply of homes in the City.

The Housing and Homelessness Strategy (2019-2024) was approved by Council in March 2019 and is the core strategy that drives the service forward, focusing on four key areas:

- Preventing homelessness and supporting homeless households
- Support for people and communities
- Improving existing homes
- Housing development.

The Service has undergone a significant transformation, with a number of initiatives and projects being worked on with the aim of reducing the financial burden on the Local Authority whilst providing better quality temporary accommodation; increasing the number of households where homelessness is prevented or relieved and therefore decreasing the number of households in temporary accommodation; and increasing the number of properties available to households in exceptional housing need that are either social / affordable rents or at the Local Housing Allowance rates if in the private rented sector.

The briefing note also provided a progress update and next steps for the following:

- Re-commissioning of Homelessness Support Services
- Operational Data
- Implementing Homefinder Allocations Scheme
- Rough Sleeping Team
- Rough Sleeper Strategy
- Reducing cost of expensive Temporary Accommodation
- Eliminate the use of B&Bs for families
- Eliminate the use of B&Bs for single people
- Alternative Temporary Accommodation for families
- Discharge Homeless Duty into the PRS Policy and Let's Rent Coventry
- Temporary Accommodation Charging Policy
- Temporary Supported Accommodation
- Housing Advisors Programme
- Cornerstone Contracts

The Board noted that there had been some significant impacts on Housing and Homelessness as a result of the Covid 19 Pandemic nationally, including an increase in the number of reported anti-social behaviour incidents being reported to Social Landlords; some delays in lower level repairs being completed by landlords; an increase in people seeking alternative housing due their current accommodation being unsuitable; an increase in the number of evictions, particularly in the Private sector following delays during the Pandemic; and positive work with tenants to ensure that arrears levels have remained relatively low, though some Registered Providers have experienced an increase in arrears.

The Head of Housing and Homelessness outlined the work being undertaken with Registered providers and other organisations / landlords in the City to ensure that there is an appropriate level of accommodation build in the City to meet the needs of residents. Representatives from Citizen were present at the meeting and provided details on the work they are undertaking to provide a new supply of

accommodation. This has included delivering 442 homes in the City over the last 3 years, with a further 92 expected during 2021. A pilot has also been undertaken in Willenhall with modular buildings and a further pilot is to be undertaken with 'modern methods of construction' which provides a 'flat pack' system of building. Citizen are looking to see if this method of construction would work well on some of the City's infill sites as it would mean less time on site and consequently less disturbance for local residents.

Citizen further highlighted a number of operational issues, providing a view over the last few months and priorities going forward. They indicated that there had been an increase in the number of anti-social behaviour complaints, though in some cases it was identified that the incidents were not carried out by Citizen tenants, but by other individuals coming from outside. While there has been a new approach to tackling anti-social behaviour, it was recognised that there was still more that could be done. One option being looked at was the provision of a concierge / caretaker resource at tower blocks. The organisation had also been working closely with neighbourhood Police teams to deal with issues of drug dealing and gang violence in some communities. Although there had been a priority on new homes, it was recognised that there was a need to focus on the existing housing stock to improve conditions for all tenants.

Board Members asked questions and received responses on the following topics:

- The number of families and single people are still in temporary accommodation.
- The number of affordable homes that have been built and how many of those have been through S106 funding since the Local Plan was adopted in 2017.
- Whether developers keeping to the 25% affordable housing requirement.
- The number of larger properties, 4-5 bedrooms, being developed by Citizen.
- Issues around transfer to the new Homefinder system and existing users needing to re-register and being unable to bid on properties while waiting for the re-registration to be processed.
- Whether larger family homes being lost to HIMO's.
- What figures the building programme is based on and whether they are the most recent available.
- Whether temporary accommodation used to house homeless individuals and families is fit for purpose.
- The difference between social and affordable housing.
- The current status of right to buy.
- What number of units of accommodation are going to be lost as a result of the Spirit, Spon End and Wyken regeneration projects.
- Response from Citizen when issues of fly tipping, estate verges etc., are reported by residents.
- The effectiveness of the new models of tackling anti-social behaviour.
- How the situation is dealt with if a resident is a perpetrator of significant anti-social behaviour which leads to eviction and effectively makes that person homeless.
- How empty properties are being brought back into use.

- Data on rough sleeping.
- Whether support can be provided to residents with mortgages who are at risk of being homeless as they are unable to afford full mortgage payments for short periods of time.
- Use of private sector landlords.

The Board requested that further information be circulated to them outside of the meeting as follows:

- Affordable housing definitions and numbers;
- The number of properties purchased in Coventry under Right to Buy / Voluntary Right to Buy;
- Energy efficiency and running costs of modular buildings;
- Management of anti-social behaviour; and
- Rough sleeping cohort in the City.

In addition, the Board requested that future update reports include metrics.

RESOLVED that, the update on housing and homelessness be noted and that the Board have no recommendations for the Cabinet Member.

10. Work Programme and Outstanding Issues 2021/22

The Board considered the Work Programme 2021-22 and requested that a future item be added to the Work Programme on Housing, to include an update on homelessness prevention and work with private sector landlords to get them to rent at below market rates.

The Board further requested that a briefing note be circulated to them on Christmas Waste Collection plans.

11. Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at 12.00 pm)

To: Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4)

Date: 2nd December 2021

Subject: Flood Risk Management and Drainage Update

1 Purpose of the Note.

- 1.1 To update Scrutiny Board on the activities undertaken during delivery of the annual Drainage Capital Programme.
- 1.2 To update the Scrutiny Board on the flooding events and improvements at Butt Lane, Allesley and Broad Lane, Upper Eastern Green.
- 1.3 To update the Scrutiny Board on other key flood risk management activities since the last report in September 2019.

2 Recommendations.

- 2.1 The Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) are recommended to:
 - 1) Note and support the activities of the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) relating to drainage and flood risk matters.
 - 2) Identify and further recommendations for the Cabinet Member

3 Annual Drainage Capital Programme – Update

- 3.1 The annual drainage capital programme sits within the overall Transportation and Highway Maintenance Capital Programme and predominantly consists of drainage improvements and localised repair schemes. An annual list of drainage schemes is approved by Cabinet Member for City Services for delivery. In addition to planned works, the programme includes a portion of the budget for unplanned works in response to flooding issues that arise during the current year.
- 3.2 All flooding events are recorded and investigated with a “One Coventry” approach. resulting in either intervention cleansing by the Highway Operations & Development team and if drainage defects are identified, these are ranked against city-wide priorities for consideration for future capital works programmes.
- 3.3 The drainage capital programme has also funded partnership contributions to larger externally funded projects delivered in collaboration with the Environment Agency. These larger project are in the main, funded by DEFRA and the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee. This year, the drainage capital programme budget is £350k to fund of 26 localised flooding schemes.

- 3.4 In addition to work on the Public Highway, where there is the risk of culvert blockage, new or improved trash screens are installed. At Canberra Road, 25 homes were at risk of flooding and therefore an improvement was made to the existing trash screen.

4 Flood Alleviation Projects

- 4.1 No flooding on a community scale has taken place in the City since the last year. There have been a number of small scale localised river and rainfall flooding events. We continue to work on mitigating flooding from hotspots recorded around the City in previous flood events.
- 4.2 Washbrook Lane / Browns Lane / Butt Lane / Windmill Hill, Allesley.
- 4.3 This scheme is in collaboration with the Environment Agency and Warwickshire Wildlife and a developer contribution.
- 4.4 The Allesley Flood Risk Management Scheme seeks to address the high level of flood risk to 42 residential properties located in Allesley village. The source of the flooding is the River Sherbourne and there is also risk of surface water flooding.
- 4.5 A scheme of Natural Flood Management (NFM) solutions to slow the flow and hold back water within the upstream catchment is being delivered. To date the NFM measures rolled out are 49 leaky barriers, 4 retention pools, 90 linear metres of hedgerow planting and 60 trees have been planted.
- 4.6 In addition to this, resilience measures to individual properties are being delivered. Most of the 42 homes have been surveyed and the installation of measures is planned in the spring.
- 4.7 The adjustment of road surface level at the junction of Browns Lane with Butt Lane to direct extreme rainfall flood flows away from homes, back towards the River Sherbourne, is still ongoing and when construction cost is determined, including services diversions, an investment decision will be made.
- 4.8 Broad Lane / Banner Lane, Upper Eastern Green.
- 4.9 This scheme is also in collaboration with the Environment Agency and Warwickshire Wildlife Trust. Funding sources are the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee, DEFRA and Coventry. No internal flooding has occurred at the junction of Board Lane / Banner Lane since the installation of the new roundabout scheme.
- 4.10 The Upper Brookstray Flood Risk Management Scheme seeks to reduce flood risk to 25 properties. The source of the flooding is the Brookstray (tributary of the River Sherbourne) and also from surface water.
- 4.11 A scheme of Natural Flood Management solutions to slow the flow and hold back water within the upstream catchment is being taken forward. In preparation for this, the majority land owners within the Solihull part of the catchment and land owners on the Coventry boarder have been identified and approached. 40 leaky barriers are being considered.
- 4.12 In addition to this, resilience measures to individual properties is also proposed. Home surveys are planned to commence following the completion of the measures at Allesley.

5 Other Key Activities

- 5.1 Flood Risk Management Plans
- 5.2 The Environment Agency is preparing Flood Risk Management Plans that relate to England, Scotland and Wales. As part of the River Severn Flood Risk Management Plan, Coventry have a commitment to measures in 2021 – 2026 to manage down the impacts of flooding, promote climate change adaptation and support communities in flood risk areas.

- 5.3 The eleven measures agreed with the Environment Agency will complement Coventry's Local Flood Risk Management Strategy and Surface Water Management Plan when reviewed in the coming months.
- 5.4 Severn Trent Community Fund
- 5.5 A project is being prepared to increase footfall access to the Guphill Brookstray and this scheme would bring in a substantial fund from Severn Trent Water (STW). This project is a collaboration with between Highways and Streetscene and Greenspaces and is supported by the Council's Ecologist with a potential contribution from Biodiversity funding. The overall estimated cost is in excess of £500k and extends over 3.0 km in length. If the fund bid is successful, £200k initial funding from STW will deliver early phases. When benefits are being realised, future fund sources will be considered for future phases.
- 5.6 The project includes the preparation of a consultation with Ward Members, focus groups and residents ahead of the fund bid application. Early indication from STW suggests this fund bid will be well received.
- 5.7 Severn Trent Water Flow Separation Project
- 5.8 In collaboration with the Council, a project is being promoted with Severn Trent Water to remove surface water from some public combined sewers. This separated surface water would discharge to retrofit sustainable drainage in Council owned spaces and Public Highway. In Coventry, thirteen locations have been identified at feasibility stage. We are coordinating with Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and Council stakeholders to identify current and future opportunities.
- 5.9 The project delivers obvious gains for STW but also provides opportunities for the Council for Water Framework Directive Compliance; increased amenity; flood risk reduction; health and wellbeing; habitat and the environment.
- 5.10 Sustainable Drainage Influencing Developers
- 5.11 The Council continues to be require Developers to use sustainable drainage to reduce discharge to sewers, watercourse and rivers. A great deal of work continues to be done with Planning and Development Management teams to ensure new development does not increase flood risk to itself and does not increase flood risk elsewhere. This is achieved with robust policies, planning conditions and rigorous examination of plans submitted by developers.
- 5.12 Sustainable Drainage Commuted Sums
- 5.13 A business opportunity that has now come to fruition is for Highways to maintain water bodies within the Council's green spaces, funded by private developer commuted sums. This is both an opportunity for income and ensure the management of these water bodies is appropriately placed.
- 5.14 One opportunity has now been realised in the city and a maintenance regime is being programmed. Three more are now in the pipeline, one of these is already on the table and land transfer process is ongoing.
- 5.15 Advice to Developers
- 5.16 A further business opportunity being realised is advice to private developers on a fee paying basis. To help balance budget pressures, drainage advice services are being offered to developers and this continues to grow. Approval has been given to add a team member to the establishment for this sole purpose. The compliments the existing Pre-App advice being offered through the Planning Service.
- 5.17 Drainage Cleansing, Camera Survey and Lining Contract
- 5.18 The Council owned drainage and culverts are cleansed, camera surveyed and where needed are lined by a term contractor.

- 5.19 Working with Procurement we are in the final stages of the preparation of a new contract and this will be operated in collaboration with Warwickshire County Council. The new contract will be in place at the beginning of financial year 2021-22.
- 5.20 This contract not only helps deal with day to day maintenance and blockages but also helps increase the Councils asset records.
- 5.21 Catchment Coordination (River Sherbourne and River Sowe)
- 5.22 In 2018 the Government published the 25 Year Environment Plan that called for improved management of river catchments.
- 5.23 Coventry has for some time focused on the coordination of activities within catchments. The catchment of the River Sherbourne was the initial focus and work was done to identify partner schemes, large scale new development, flooding issues impacting at a community scale and the Council's flood mitigation schemes.
- 5.24 This catchment coordination work has now been focused on the River Sowe. A similar approach to the work on the Sherbourne is on going to coordinate activities in this catchment, within the administration area of Coventry. The catchment is extensive and is largely outside Coventry. We have a good working relationship with Warwickshire and this will underpin this important catchment coordination work.
- 5.25 Transformational Schemes
- 5.26 Collaboration continues with teams preparing schemes that step by step are transforming Coventry. Whilst not leading on these schemes, however, assistance is provided with challenges and encouraging support for partners to facilitate these schemes. By example, Palmer Lane is a proposal for the first deculverting in the city centre.
- 5.27 Borne out of the Ripple Effect report funded by Severn Trent Water, was cited water improvements for Coventry.
- 5.28 Collaboration between Historic Coventry Trust and the Council is making this scheme a reality. The River Sherbourne deculvert scheme has buy-in with Environment Agency and this transformational project is supported by Coventry Lead Local Flood Authority.
- 5.29 This transformation scheme is considered to be a gateway project and it is hoped would enable future deculverting opportunities.
- 5.30 Additional information can be found at Appendix A

6 Health Inequalities Impact

- 6.1 On-going projects and NFM solutions are engaging with the community to support the Marmot principle of creating and developing healthy and sustainable places and communities.

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Communities and Neighbourhood Scrutiny Board (4)



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English Severn and Wye RFCC

Allesley : Flood Alleviation Scheme - Homes better protected : 42



River Flooding

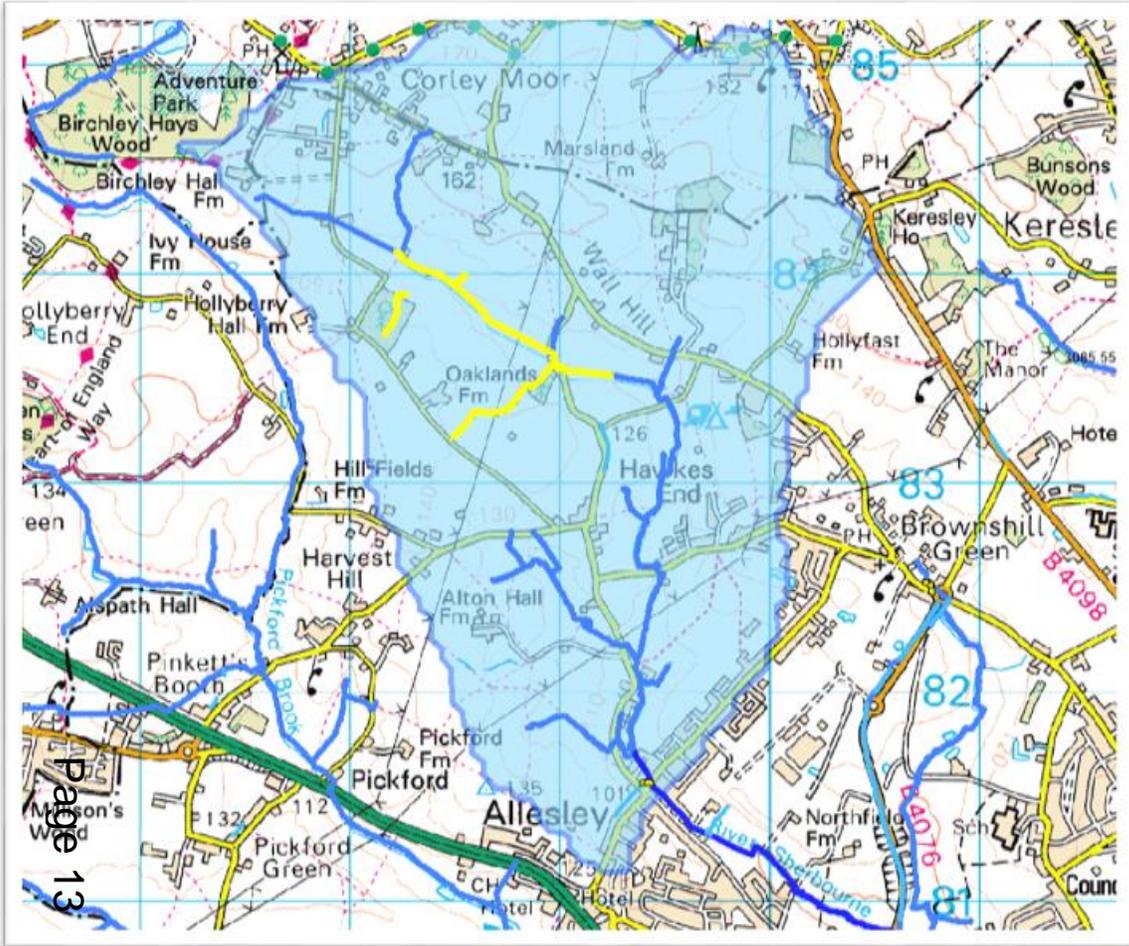


Rainfall Flooding



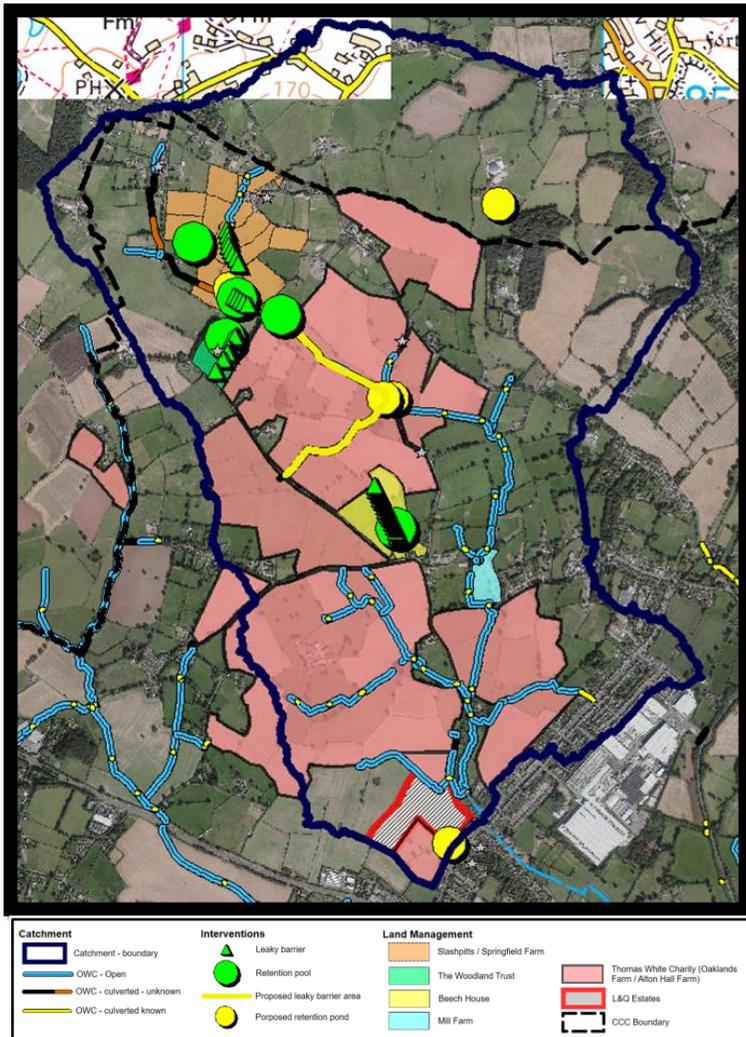
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Allesley : Natural Flood Management (NFM)



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River Sherbourne Natural Flood Management Strategy Report

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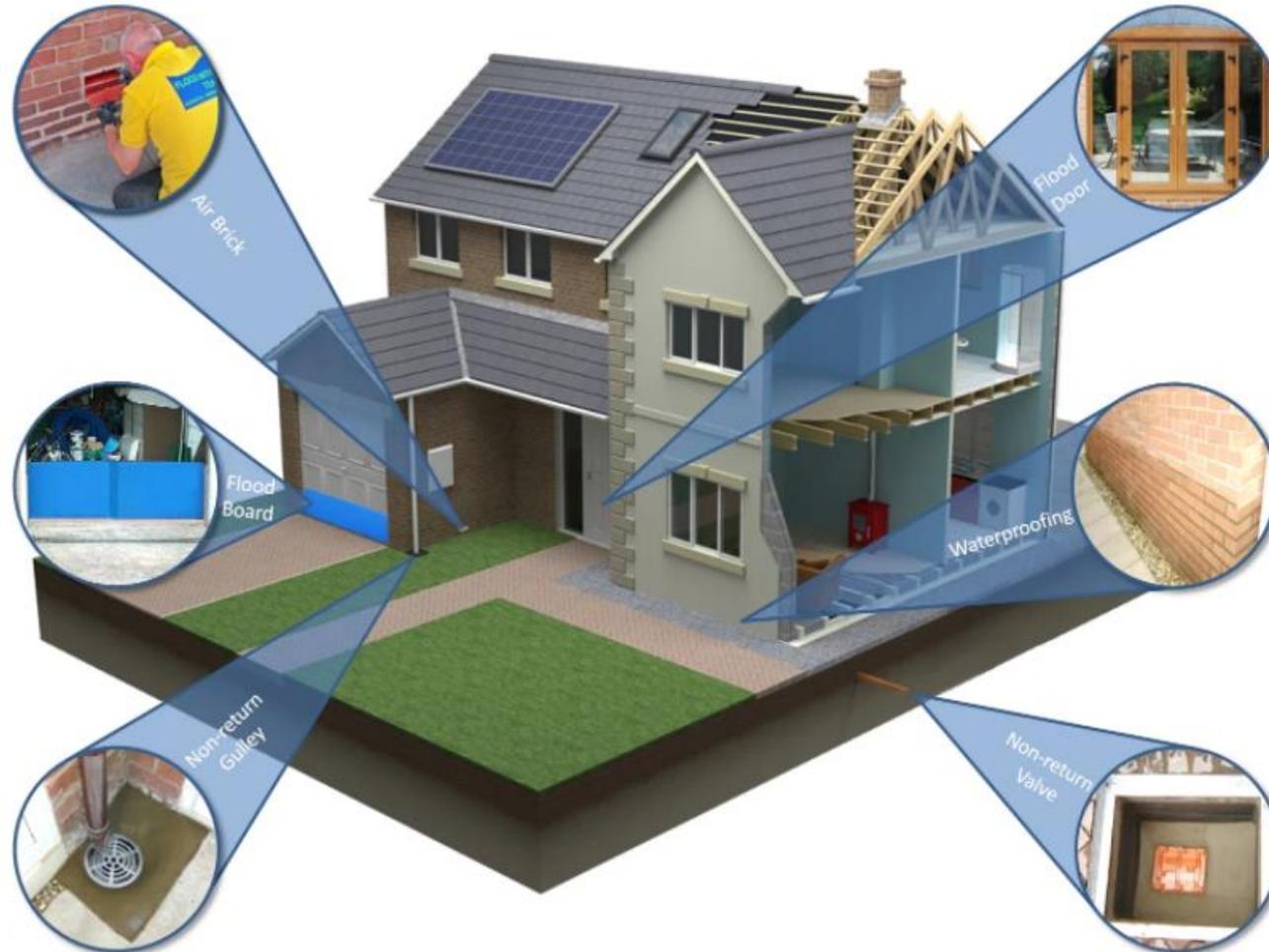
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Allesley : Property Flood Resilience (PFR)



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Allesley : Junction Improvement

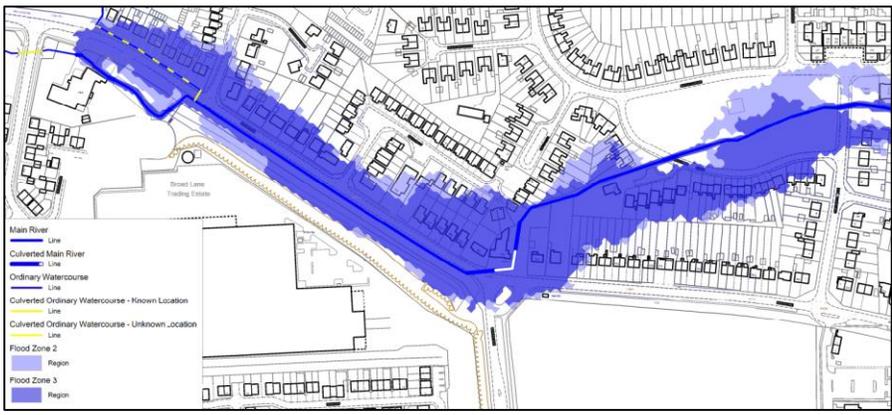


Washbrook Lane Flooding



Junction Aerial View

Brookstray, Broad Lane - Homes better protected : 25



River Flooding



Rainfall Flooding



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Brookstray, Broad Lane - Banner Lane Junction prior to roundabout scheme.

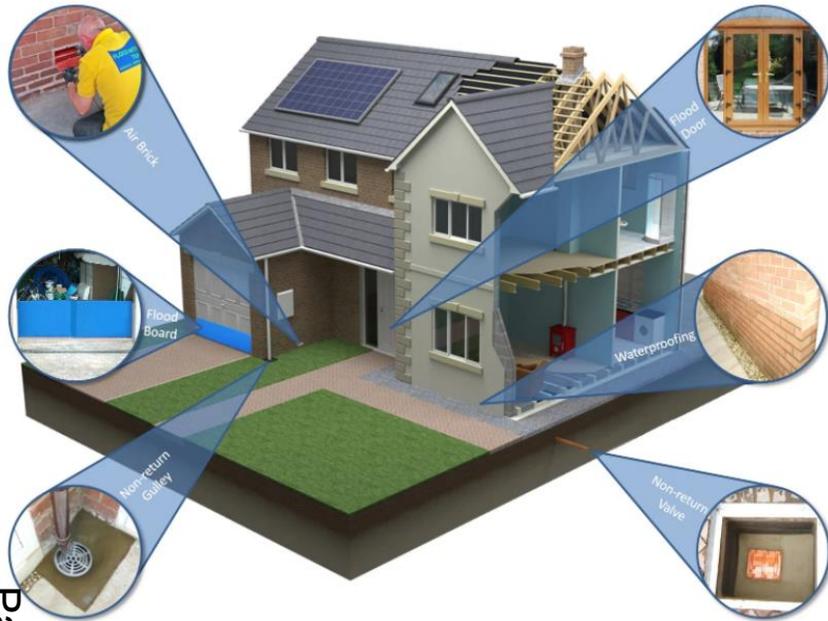


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Brookstray, Broad Lane – Suite of Measures

First Delivery Stage : PFR

Second Delivery Stage : NFM

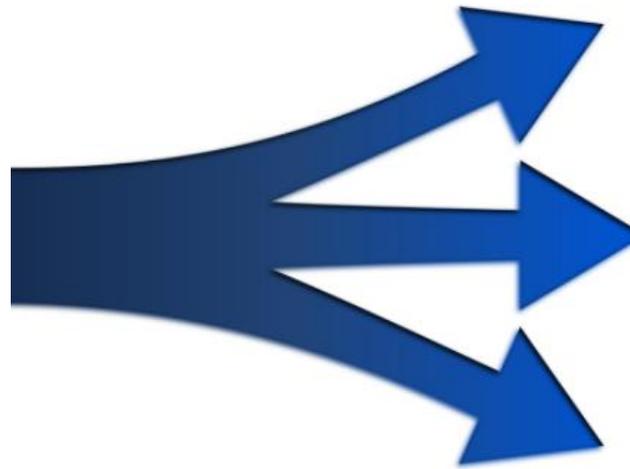


Drainage and Flood Risk Capital Works



**Flood Risk Management and Drainage.
Highway Operations and Development.**

One Coventry.



Investigation

Collaboration

Delivery

Drainage and Flood Risk Capital Works : 2020-21

Typical Minor Projects



Butts Junction



Canley Road

Drainage and Flood Risk Capital Works : 2020-21

Typical Minor Projects



Hockley Lane



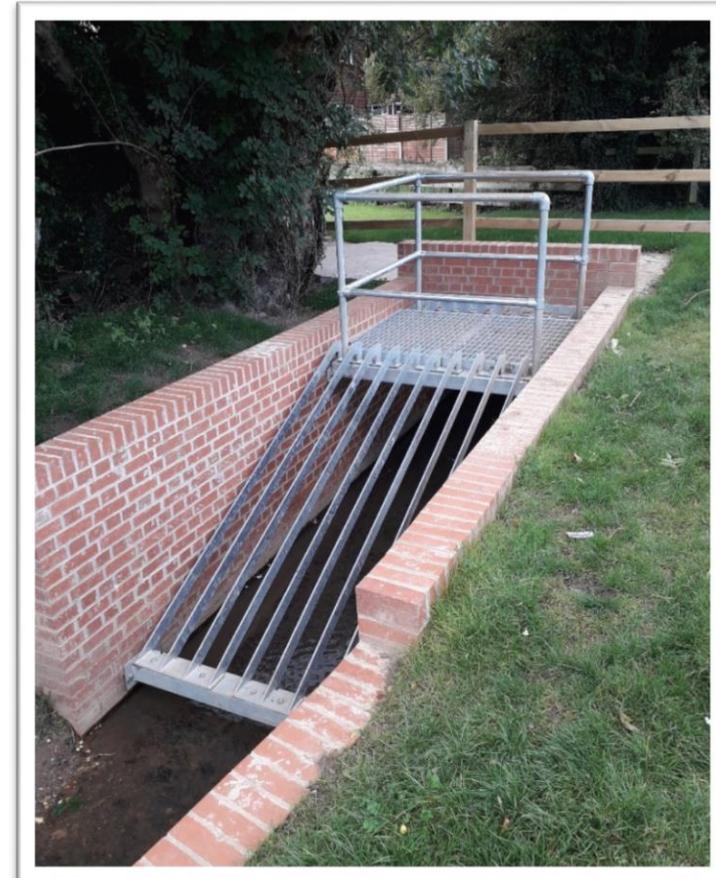
Old Church Road

Drainage and Flood Risk Capital Works : 2019-20

Canberra Road Trash Screen



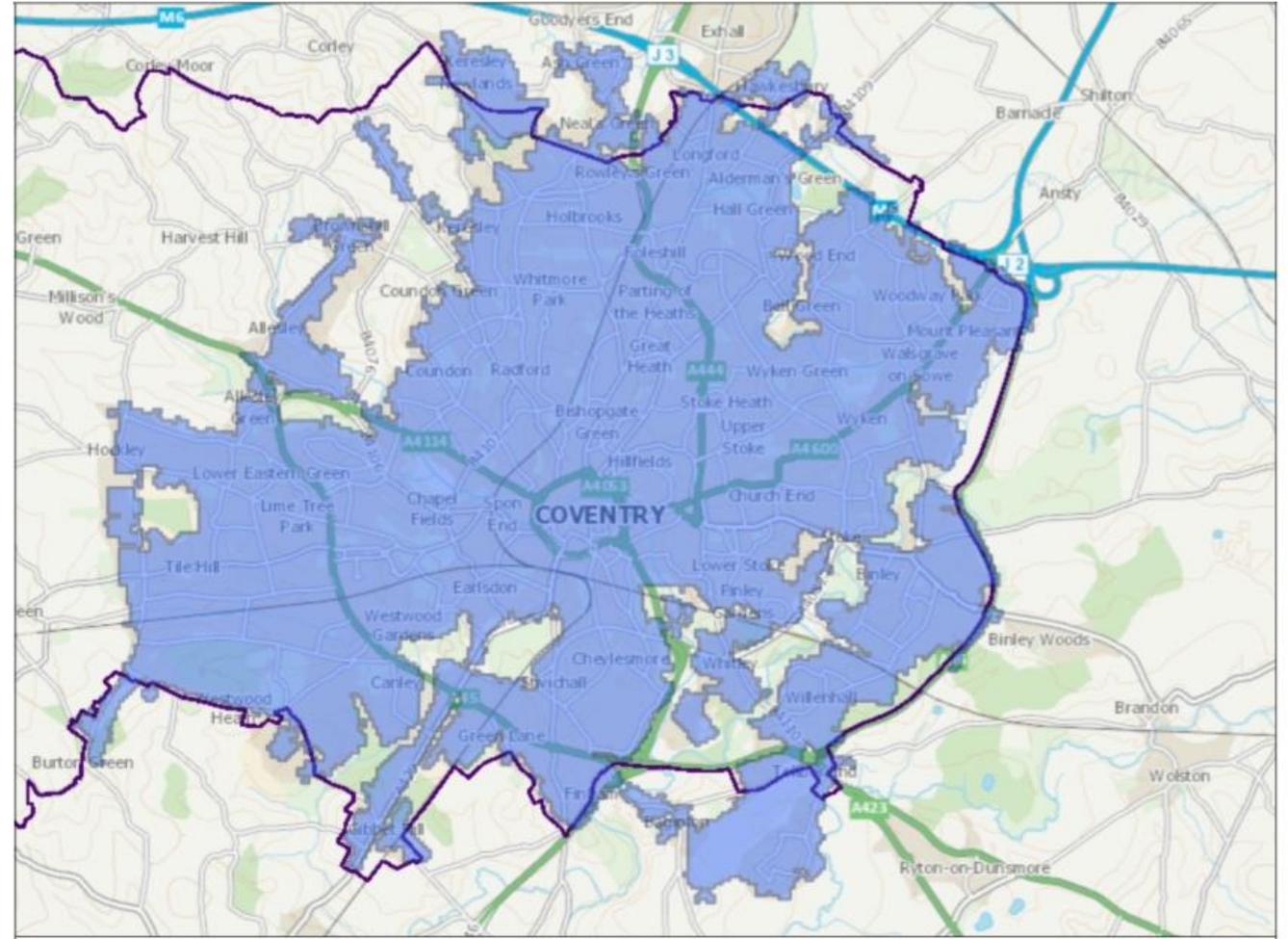
Before



After

Flood Risk Management Plans: Flood Risk Area

	Subject	Measure
1	Local Flood Risk Management Strategy	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to coordinate implementation of the current and updated version of the Coventry Local Flood Risk Management Strategy in Coventry to manage local flood risk in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
2	Surface Water Management Plan	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to implement strategic approaches and actions in the Coventry Surface Water Management Plan in Coventry to effectively manage local surface water flood risk in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
3	Records of Assets	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council and Severn Trent Water will continue to maintain and update records of surface water drainage assets in Coventry to inform asset maintenance, flood risk assessment, and flood alleviation works. in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
4	Understanding the impacts of climate change	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to update surface water and integrated flood risk modelling in high flood risk areas in Coventry to understand the impacts of climate change and inform adaptive measures in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
5	Working with developers	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to work with developers in Coventry to minimise on site flood risk and ensure opportunities are taken to reduce flood risk overall and improve water quality in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
6	Flood investigations	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to investigate all reports of flooding, assign responsibility and identify actions which reduce risk of reoccurrence in Coventry to reduce the risk of flooding in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
7	Natural flood management and SuDS	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to promote nature based solutions such as natural flood management and SuDS in Coventry to reduce flood risk and improve water quality in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
8	Cross-boundary flood risk management	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council and Warwickshire County Council, will continue to improve records of cross-boundary flood risk assets in Coventry and Warwickshire to improve cross-boundary flood risk management in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
9	Community engagement	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council and the Environment Agency will continue to engage with communities at high risk to raise awareness of their flood risk with advice and guidance including what they can do themselves in Coventry to reduce the impact of flooding in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
10	Informing infrastructure owners	By 2027, Coventry City Council will provide information and support infrastructure owners to help them assess their flood risk and take adaptive measures in Coventry to reduce the risks and impacts of flooding in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
11	Catchment management	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council will continue to promote integrated catchment planning in Coventry to encourage collaborative approaches between partner organisations, delivery of multiple benefits including reducing flood risk and enhancing biodiversity and amenity, and to assist management of the River Sherbourne and River Sowe in the Coventry.



Flood Risk Management Plans: Flood Risk Area

Example Measure : No 6

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Example Measure : No 9

9	Community engagement	Between 2021 and 2027, Coventry City Council and the Environment Agency will continue to engage with communities at high risk to raise awareness of their flood risk with advice and guidance including what they can do themselves in Coventry to reduce the impact of flooding in the Coventry, Severn Flood Risk Area.
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Appendix A Flood Risk Management Plans: LFRMS & SWMP Reviews

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Coventry Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

Flood Management

Environment Management

Sustainable Drainage

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Coventry Surface Water Management Plan

Coventry City Council

Severn Trent Water Community Fund



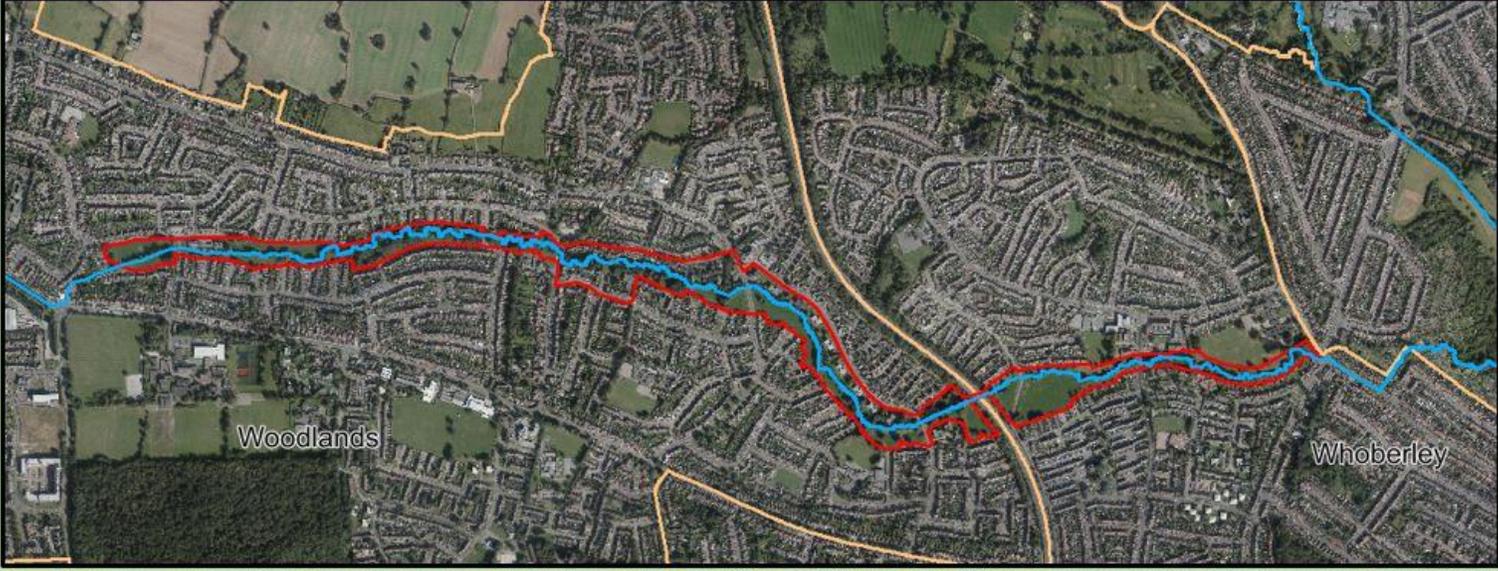
THE GUPHILL BROOKSTRAY PROJECT

KEY POINTS

- Community focused:** Responding to community desire for improvements to the river corridor
- Preparation:** concept development to be ready for funding opportunities, particularly the Severn Trent Water Community Fund
- One Coventry approach:** cross team development of ideas in response to community
- Catchment based approach:** Brookstray not currently included within Warwickshire Wildlife Trust River Sherbourne Living Landscapes project. Project compliments this wider catchment work.

KEY THEMES

1. **Access** – Improving and creating new footpath and cycle access to the river corridor.
2. **Amenity** – Improvements for all ages: play areas, recreational areas, landscape interpretation boards etc.
3. **River Restoration** – improving in channel and river corridor habitat; reducing flood risk. Addressing erosion issues

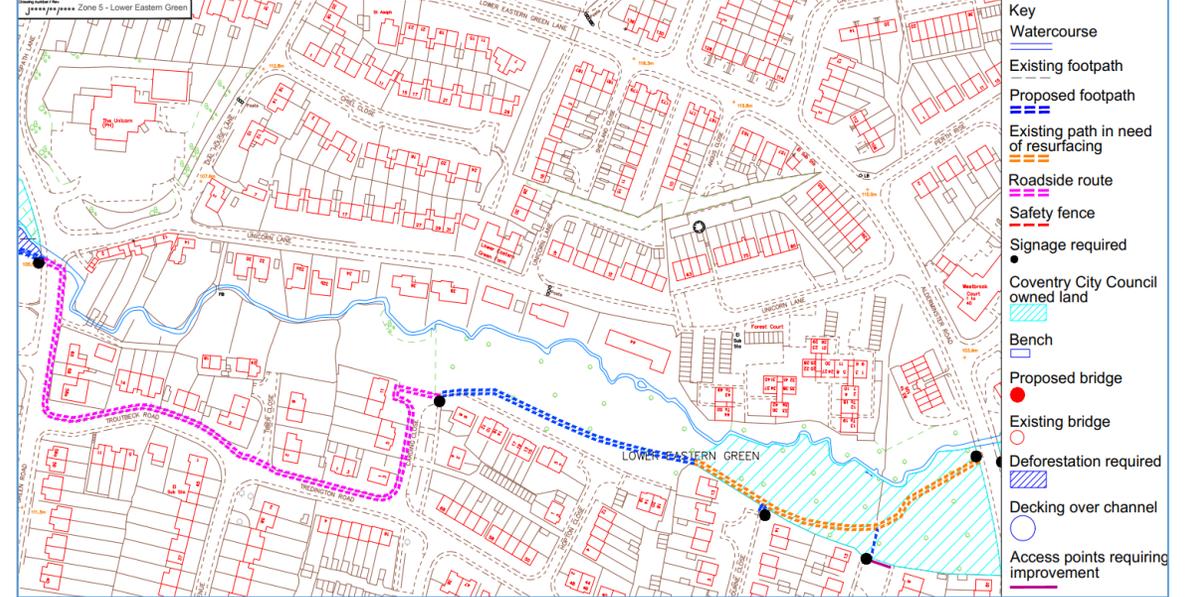
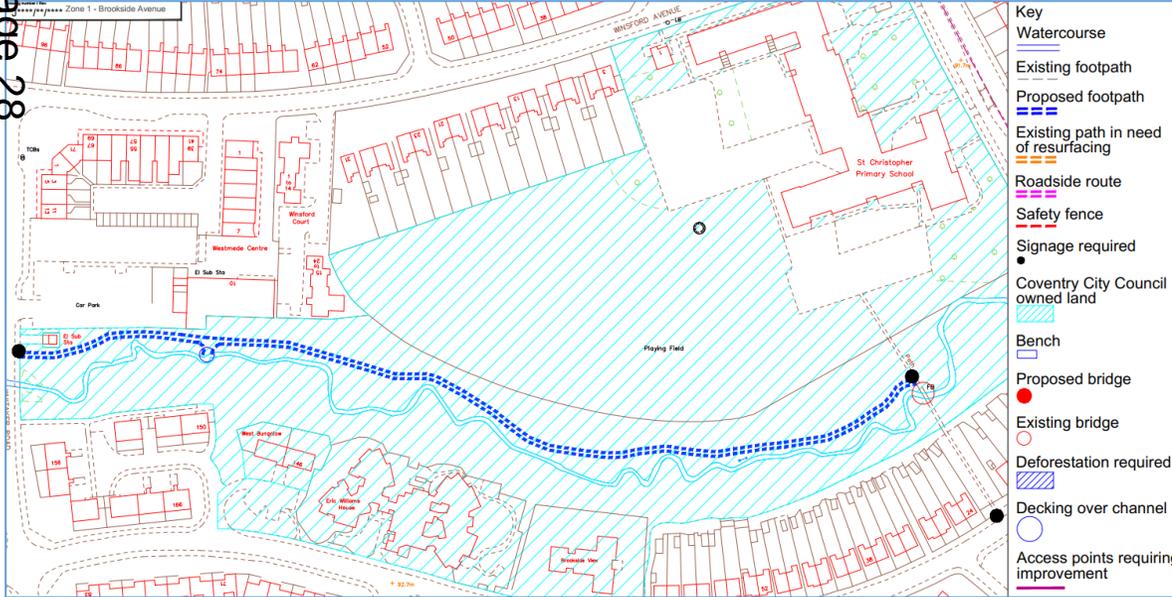


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Goldthorn Close to Eastern Green Road

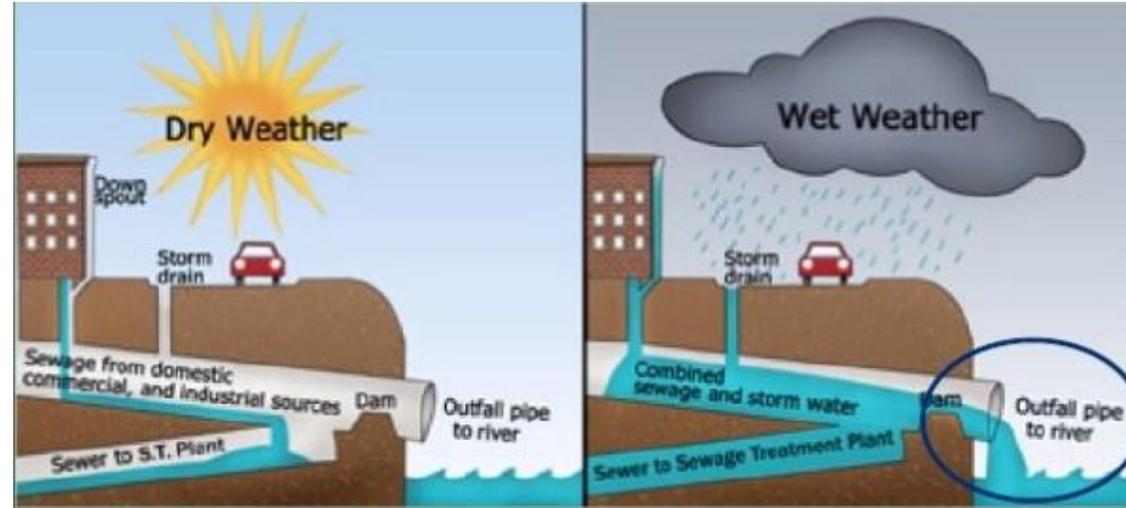
SECTION 2
Eastern Green Road to Dunchurch Highway

SECTION 3
Dunchurch Highway to Allesley Old Road

Severn Trent Water Community Fund



Severn Trent Water : Flow Separation Project

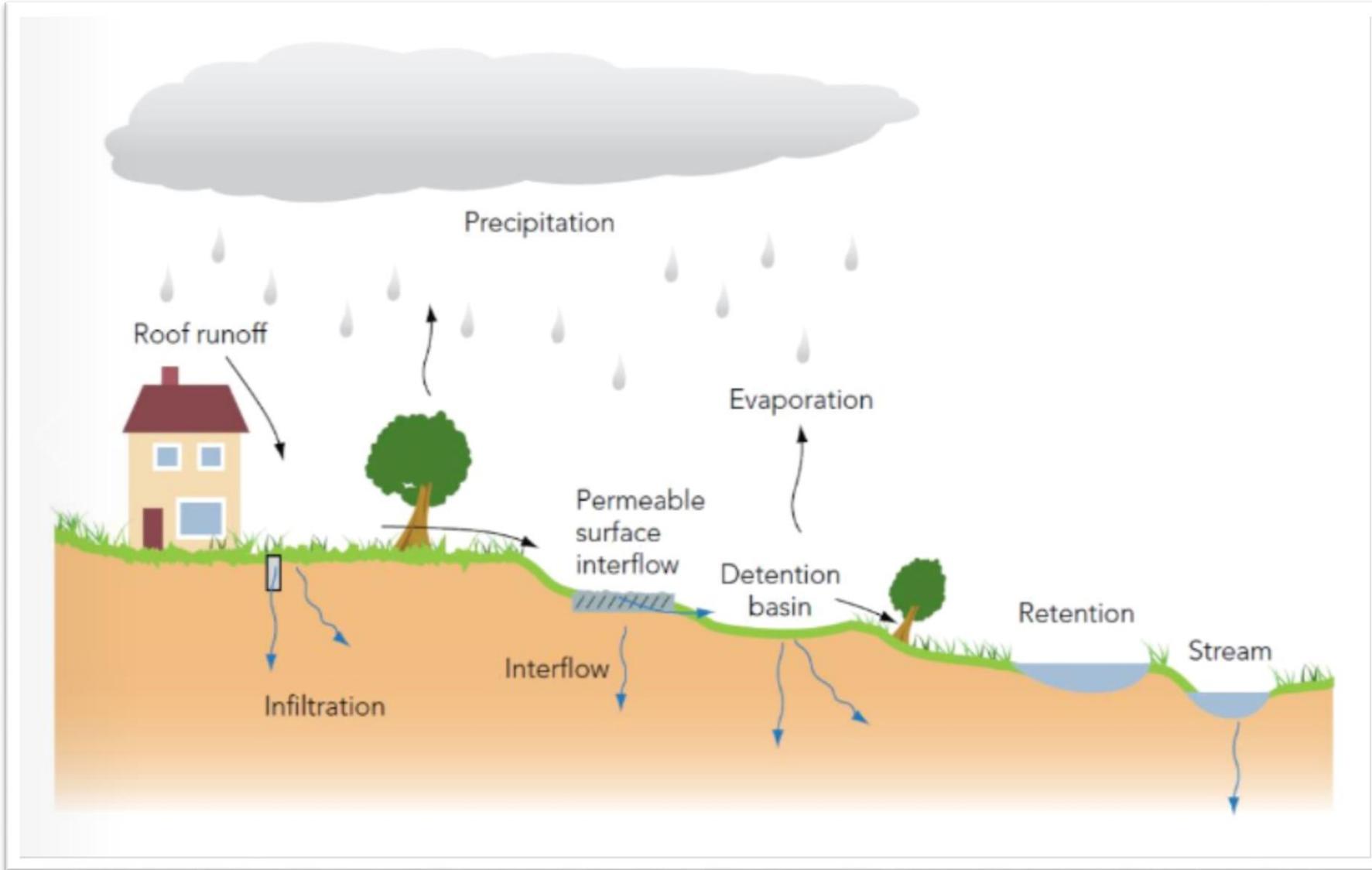


Highway - Public Realm

Council Green Spaces

Purpose Built

Sustainable Drainage : Influencing Developers



Sustainable Drainage : Commuted Sums = Income



Commuted Sums

- Attenuation Ponds
- Swales

'One-Stop' Shop: Drainage Advice to Developers.



**LEAD LOCAL FLOOD
AUTHORITY BESPOKE
ADVICE CHARGING SCHEME**

Adopted: July 2020
Reference: LLFA/2020/v4

Land to the East of Bennetts Road
FRMPA18001
Flood Risk Management and Drainage
Pre-Application Advice



February 2019
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**The Oaks, Westwood Way,
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Flood Risk Assessment



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Almond Tree Avenue,
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Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water
Drainage Strategy



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Land at Browns Lane
FRMPA19003
Flood Risk Management and Drainage
Pre-Application Advice



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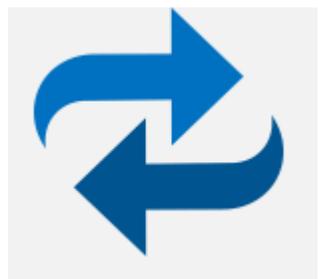


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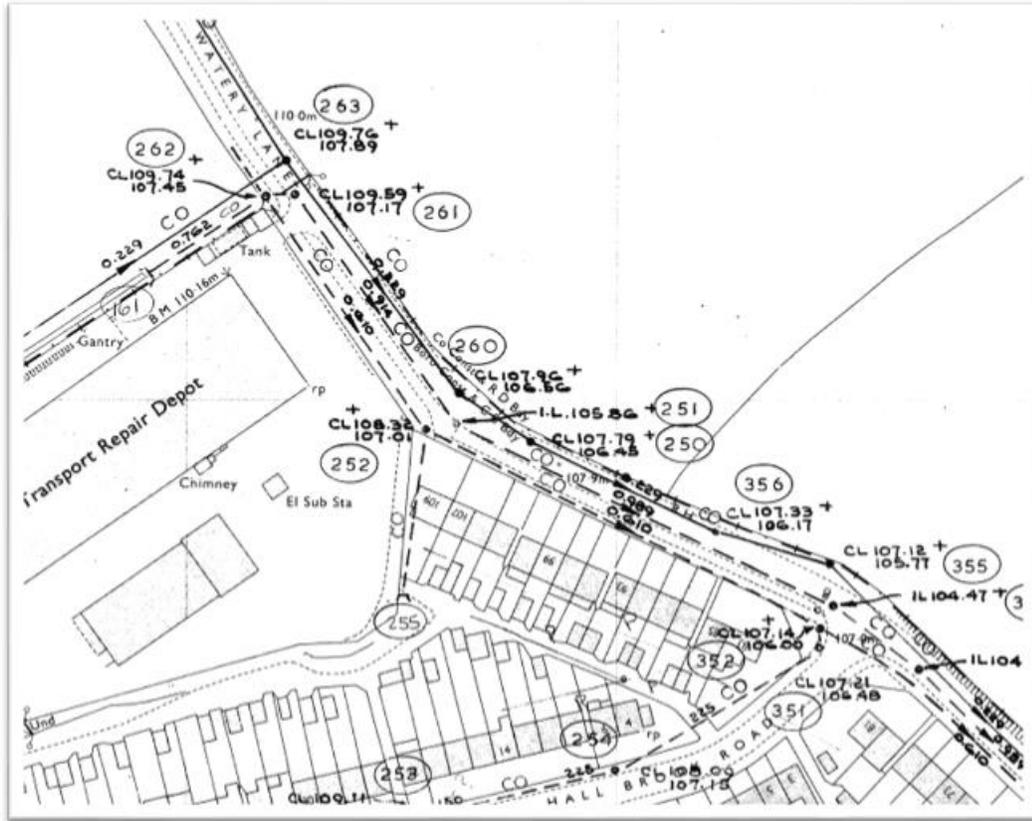
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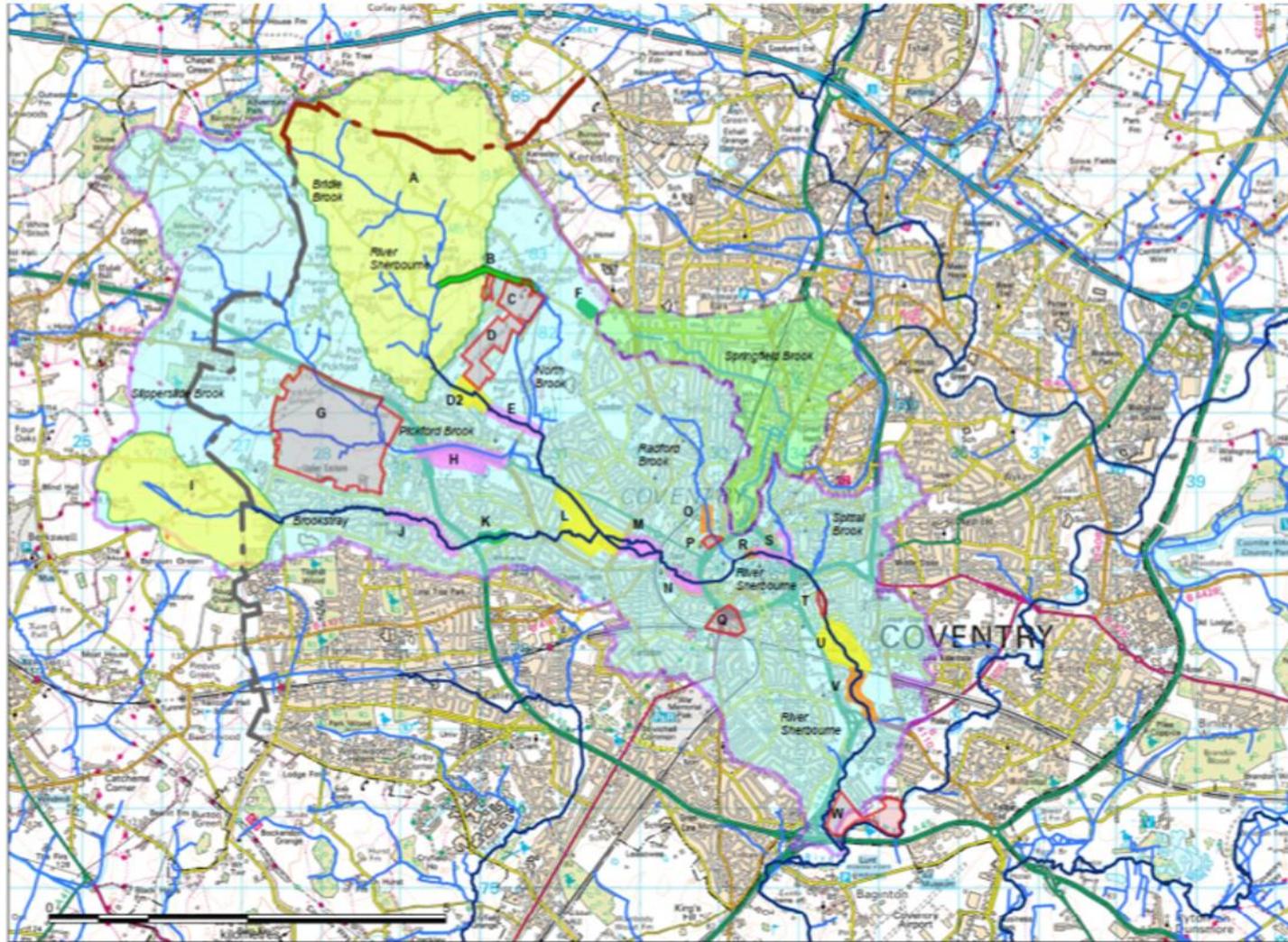
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Drainage Surveys : Asset Register & Records



Catchment Coordination : River Sherbourne and Sowe



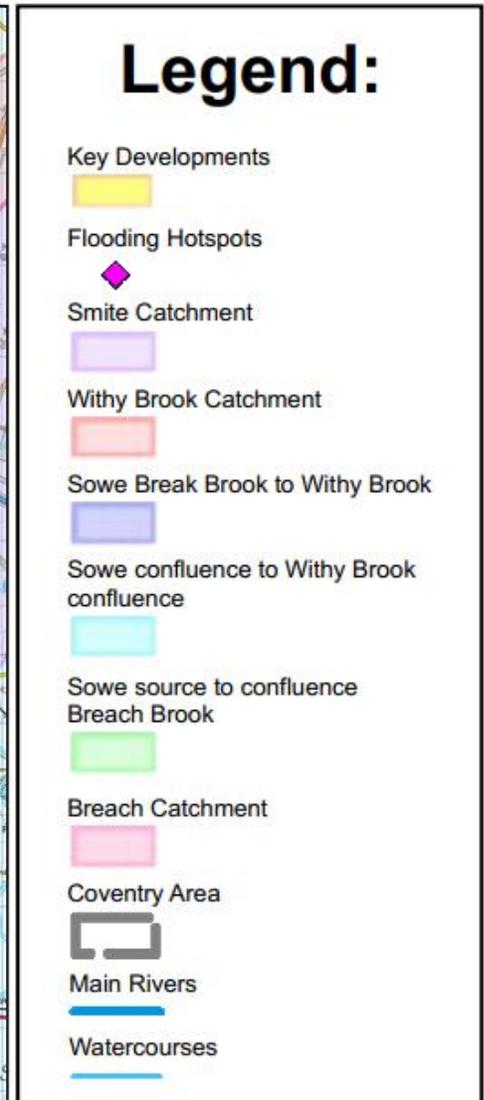
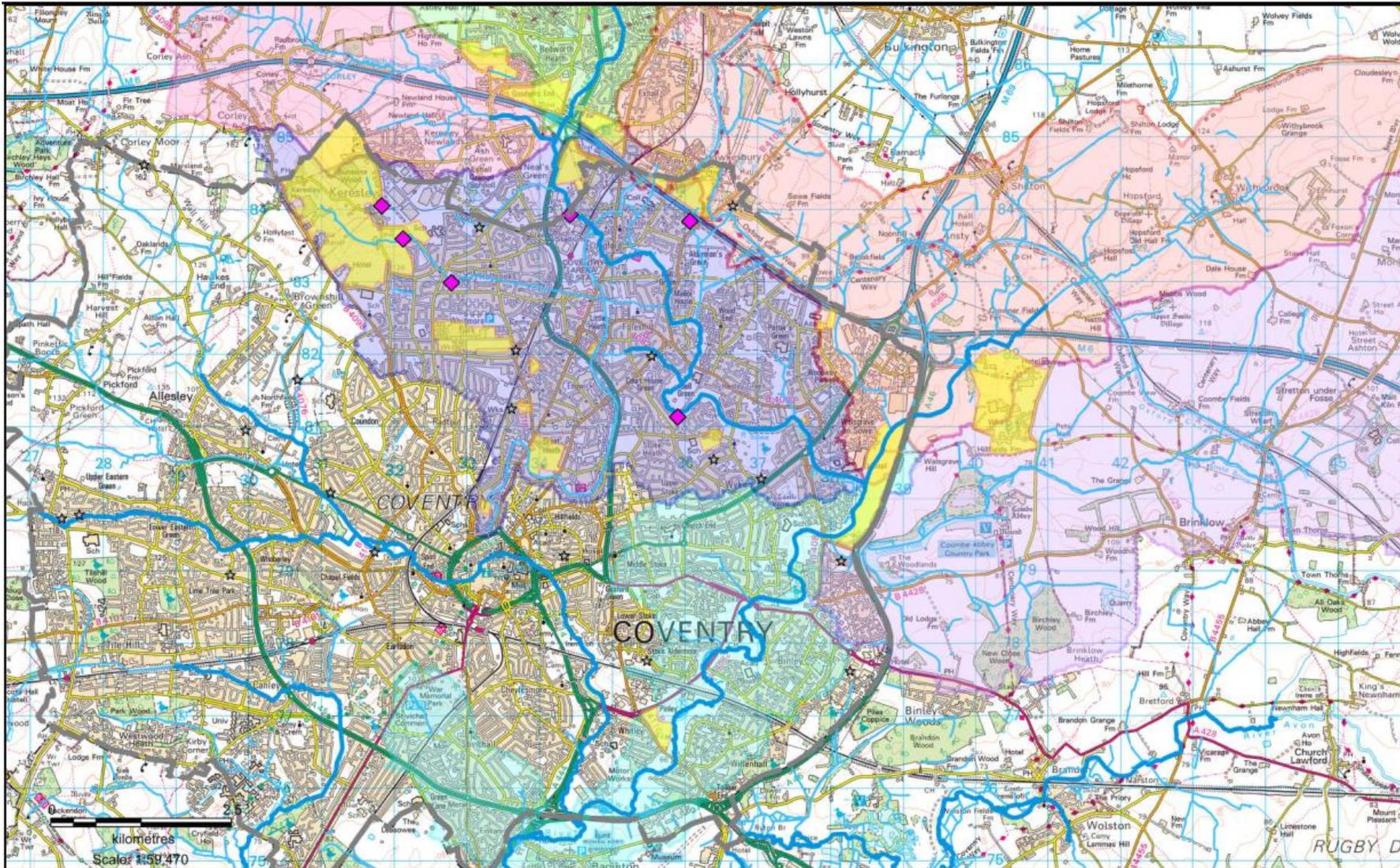
Legend :

-  NWBC & CCC boundary
-  SMBC & CCC boundary
-  Key Developments
-  Sherbourne WFD Water Body
-  Springfield Brook Extension of water body
-  Main River
-  Ordinary Watercourse
-  Schemes - Aspirational
-  Schemes - In development
-  Schemes - Delivery phase
-  Schemes - Completed
-  Schemes - Flood Risk Management
-  Severn Trent Water Sustainable Extraction NEP (recharging)

Catchment Coordination : River Sherbourne and Sowe

Ref	Sub-catchment	Project title	Sub-catchment	Designation	Lead partner(s)	Contact	Focus	Multiple benefits	Status	Notes	Approximate Investment	Projected delivery
***	Sherbourne	Sherbourne Valley Living Landscape (HLF)	All	Both	Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	Anna Squires	Heritage	FRM, WFD	In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development phase bid submitted to HLF 16th August 2018 for feasibility and stakeholder engagement. Should find out in December 2018 Multiple benefits across whole catchment. Potential for weir removal. Alignment with City of Culture 2021 		2019-2022
A	Sherbourne	Allesley Flood Alleviation Scheme	Sherbourne / Bridle Brook	Mainly ordinary watercourse	Environment Agency, Coventry City Council	Melanie Dinnis	FRM	WFD	In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catchment upstream of Butt Lane Likely to be flood storage and NFM. Large projected contribution from CCC FRM&D Capital Programme 	£1,700,000	2018-2021
B	Sherbourne & North Brook	River Sherbourne Sustainable Abstraction National Environment Programme (NEP)	Sherbourne / North Brook	Both	Severn Trent Water, North Midlands Construction	Maela Baker	WFD		In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recharging scheme to improve low flows on the North Brook and Sherbourne downstream of Hawkes Mill Lane during periods of low rainfall. Directly addresses Water Framework Directive Reason for Not Achieving Good Status (RNAG) 		Oct 2018 – Dec 2018
C	North Brook	Brownhill Green Local Plan Allocation	Sherbourne / North Brook	Ordinary watercourse	Developers, Local Planning Authority	LPA	Development		In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Plan Allocations H2:6 and H2:17. 555 dwellings in total. FRM provided consultation response on H2:17 in May 2018. Decision pending. 		2019 onwards
D	Sherbourne	Lyons Park Local Plan Allocation	Sherbourne	Main river	Developers, Local Planning Authority	LPA	Development		Current	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Plan Allocation JE2:2. 19ha employment land. Includes new Amazon distribution centre. 		
E	Sherbourne	Coundon Wedge Habitat Improvement	Sherbourne	Main river	Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	Tim Precious	WFD		Aspirational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential fencing to prevent poaching and 4-5m buffer strip. Earmarked as part of WWT Water Vole Project, closed in Feb 2018, and in Catchment Partnership Delivery Action Plan. Potential for delivery through Sherbourne HLF project. Biodiversity offsetting related to Amazon site further upstream 		By 2027
F	North Brook	Coundon Hall Park attenuation pond	North Brook	Ordinary watercourse	Coventry City Council	Neal Thomas / Mark Yates	FRM		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capturing surface water runoff to prevent localised flooding. 		2017
G	Pickford Brook	Eastern Green Sustainable Urban Extension	Pickford Brook	Mainly ordinary watercourse	Developers, Local Planning Authority	Hallam Land, LPA	Development	FRM, WFD	In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Plan Allocation. 2250 dwellings & 15ha Employment land. Public consultation on masterplan held July 2018. Planning application expected soon. FRM&D hoping for pre-app discussions. Local Plan policies DS4(Part D) and H2:2. "Creation of publicly accessible corridors along the Pickford Brook and its tributaries". Influencing Supplementary Planning Documents. 		2019 onwards
H	Pickford Brook	Pickford Brook River Restoration, Allesley Park	Pickford Brook	Ordinary watercourse	Coventry City Council / Environment Agency	TBC	WFD, FRM	Amenity	Aspirational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential realignment of the Pickford Brook from open concrete channel to naturalised channel in Allesley Park. Difficult due to levels. Identified by Environment Agency as high priority project for Water Framework Directive Good Ecological Potential for delivery by 2027 Feasibility study and stakeholder engagement required 		Up to 2027
I	Brookstray	Brookstray Flood Alleviation Scheme	Brookstray	Ordinary watercourse	Environment Agency, Coventry City Council	Lucy Sutton	FRM	WFD	In development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Likely to be Flood Storage and NFM Delivery in 2019/20? Large projected contribution from CCC FRM&D Capital Programme. 	£1,500,000	2019-2021
J	Brookstray	Brookstray at Lower Eastern Green	Brookstray	Main river	Warwickshire Wildlife Trust/ CCC Greenspaces	Tim Precious/ Mark Yates	WFD	FRM	Aspirational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential for more WFD improvements, including prevention of path erosion on CCC Green Spaces land. Improve access? Narrow river corridor is a limitation. 		By 2027
K	Brookstray	Guphill Brook (Brookstray) Riverine Enhancement	Brookstray	Main river	Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	Tim Precious	WFD	FRM	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 Catchment Partnership Action Fund Project. Part of WWT Water Vole Project. Creation of backwaters and meanders. Further information available on EU Riverwiki Page 	£24,500	2015

Catchment Coordination : River Sherbourne and Sowe



Transformational Scheme: Palmer Lane

PRECEDENTS CONTACT WITH WATER



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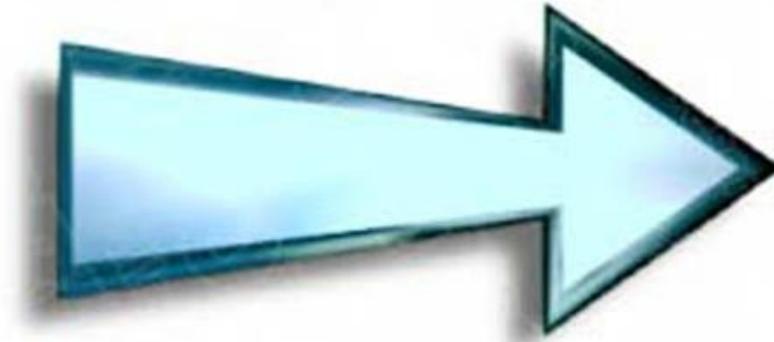


Transformational Scheme: Palmer Lane



Transformational Scheme: Palmer Lane

First Steps.....



BIGGER THINGS!



Transformational Vision: Whittle Arch & Fairfax Street



City Centre Vision



Current View



Deculverted View



Current View



Deculverted View



Any Questions and Feedback



Coventry City Council

Briefing note

To: Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4)

Date: 2nd December 2021

Subject: Update on Housing Licensing Schemes and Enforcement

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 To provide the Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) with an update on the progress of the services provided by the Property Licensing and Housing Enforcement Team and outputs relating to enforcement and the HMO licensing schemes that operate in Coventry.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) are requested to:
- 1) Note the information provided within this briefing and the presentation at Appendix 1; and
 - 2) Identify any further recommendations for the Cabinet Member

3 Background and Information

- 3.1 On the 4th May 2020 the Council agreed that the whole of Coventry would be subject to Additional Licensing. As part of the reporting process for the scheme Officers were asked to provide regular updates to Scrutiny on progress of the scheme. The slides attached at Appendix 1 provide the details relating to this update.

4 Health Inequalities Impact

- 4.1 The work of the Property Licensing and Housing Enforcement Team impacts directly on the health and wellbeing of all citizens, in particular those living in multi occupied properties and rented accommodation. Creating a sustainable and healthy, well managed private rented sector will contribute toward improving health inequalities and create a healthy standard of living for all.

Appendix 1 - Property Licensing and Housing Enforcement Update presentation

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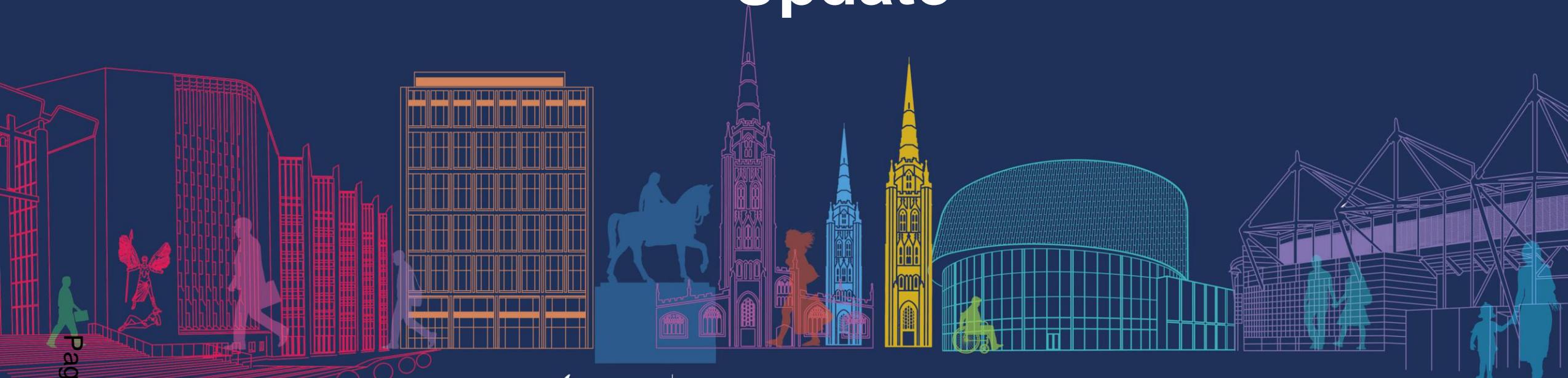
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Organisation – Regulatory Services

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Property Licensing and Housing Enforcement Update



What we do?

Housing Enforcement

- Non HMOs in the PRS
- Raising Standards
 - Improving living conditions
 - Energy Efficiency
- Landlord and Tenant
 - Illegal eviction/ harassment
 - Reducing homelessness and impact
- Empty Dwellings
 - New strategy 2021

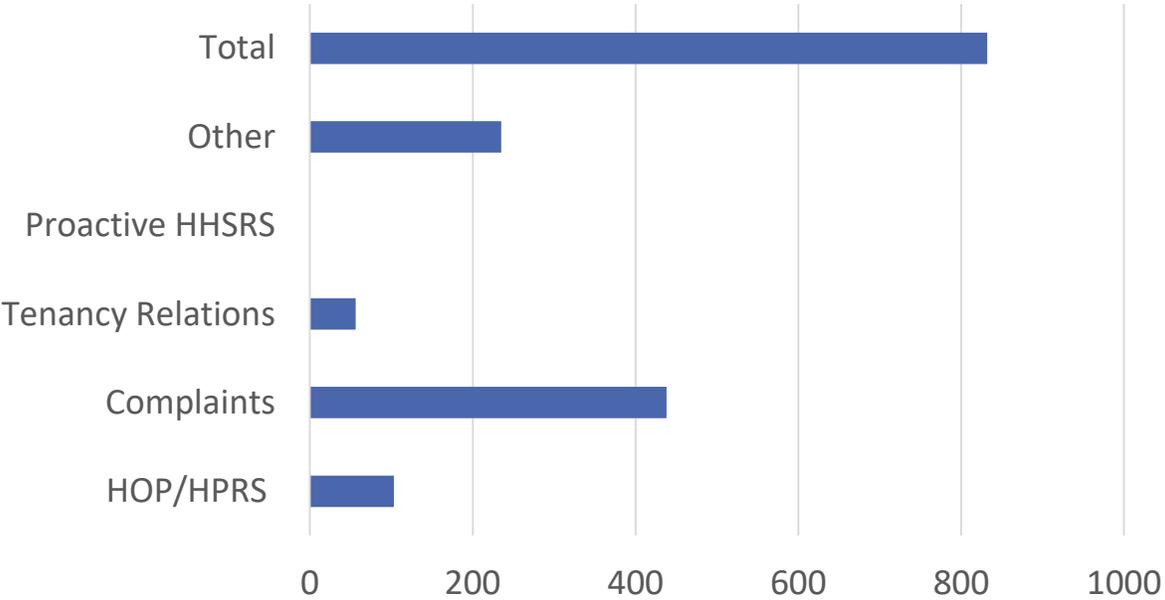
Property Licensing

- Operate two schemes
 - Mandatory – National Scheme for all Larger HMOs (5 or more occupants)
 - Additional – Discretionary scheme introduced Citywide in May 2020
- Two arms to the Team
 - Property Licensing – Administrative processes, accreditation and informal
 - Property Licensing enforcement – Technical support, inspections, enforcement activities
 - Performance data started in April 2021
- Multi Disciplinary approach
 - Enforcement pilot



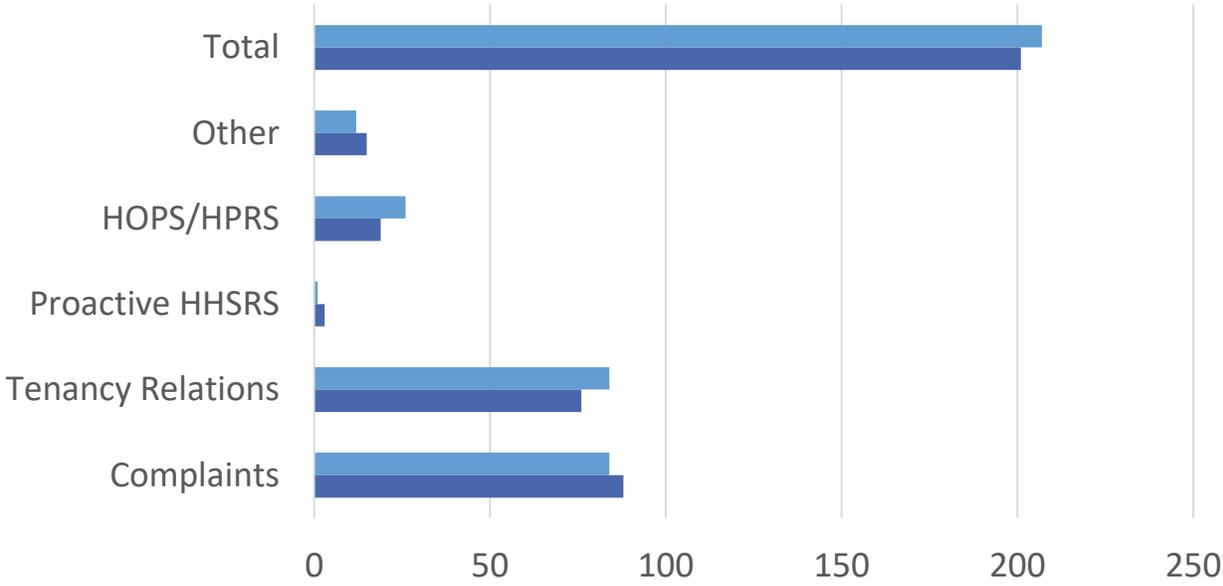
Housing Enforcement

Apr 20 to Mar 21



	HOP/HPRS	Complaints	Tenancy Relations	Proactive HHSRS	Other	Total
■ Total	103	438	56	0	235	832

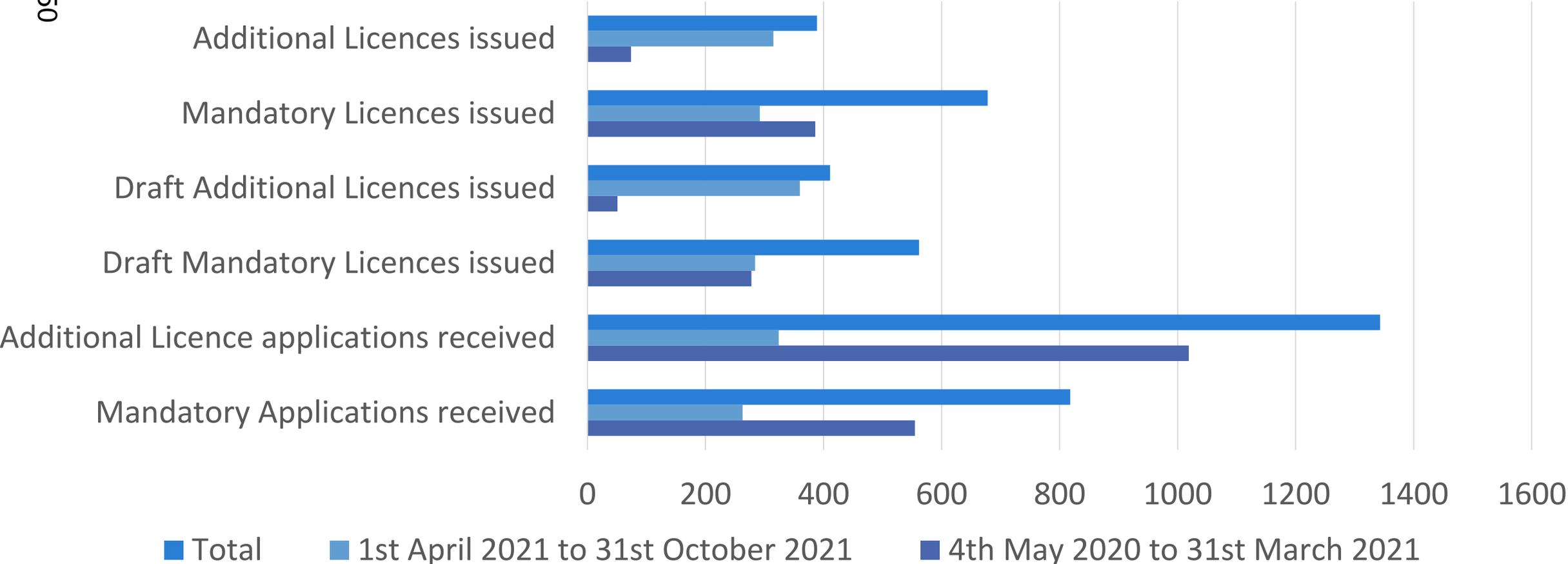
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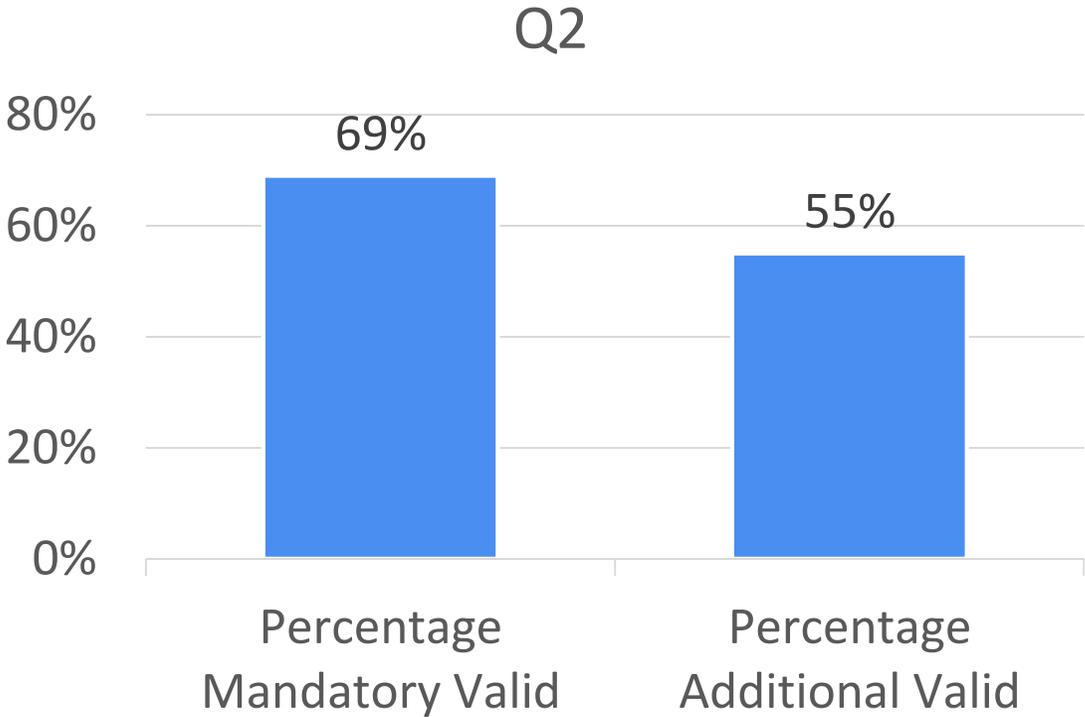
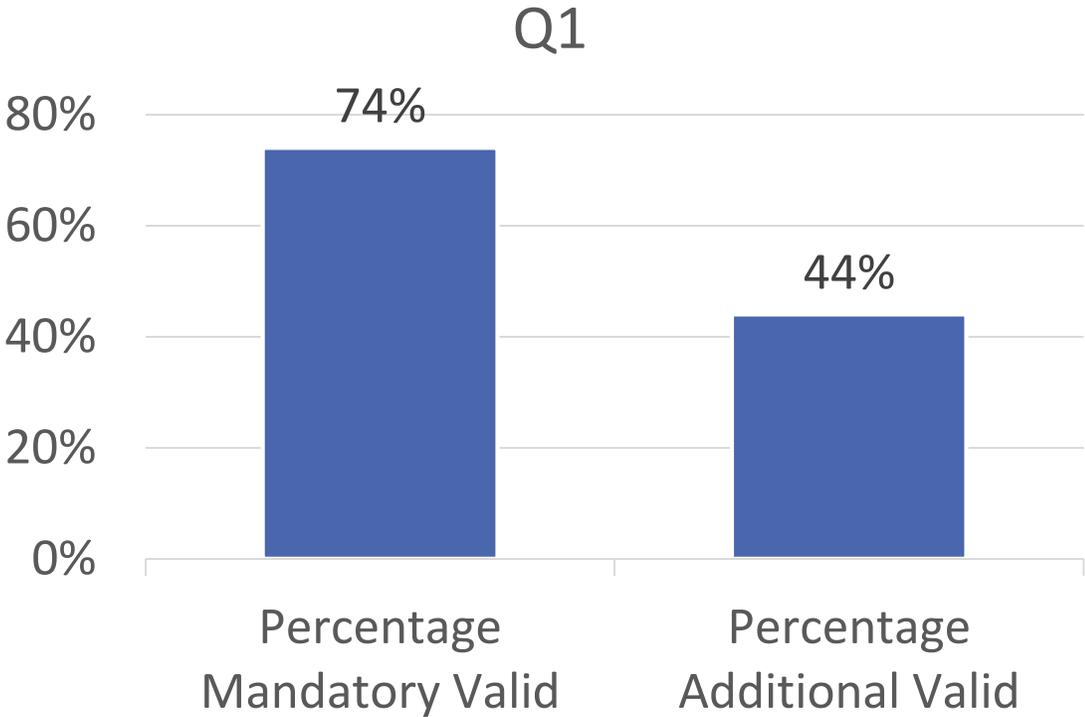
	Complaints	Tenancy Relations	Proactive HHSRS	HOPS/HPRS	Other	Total
■ Q2 2021	84	84	1	26	12	207
■ Q1 2021	88	76	3	19	15	201



Property Licensing Administration



Valid applications



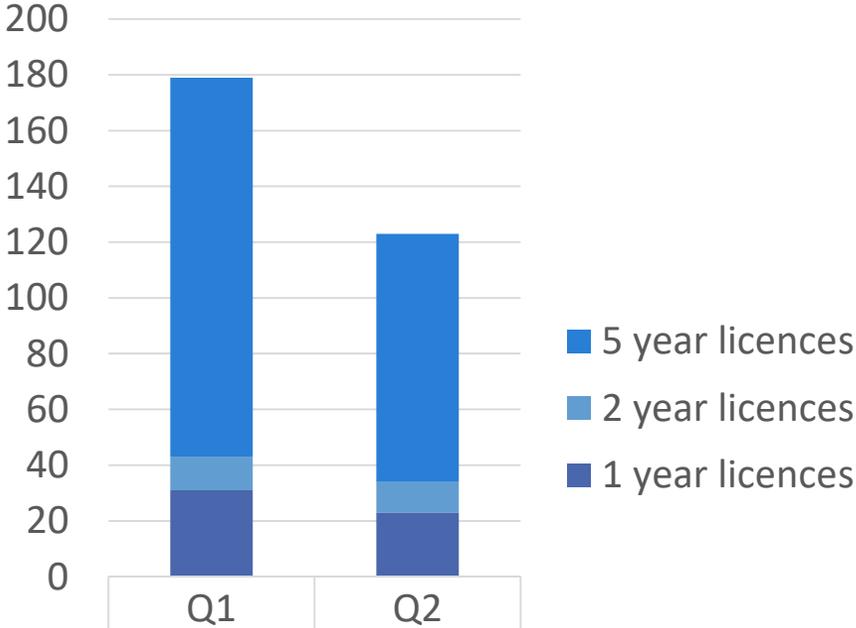
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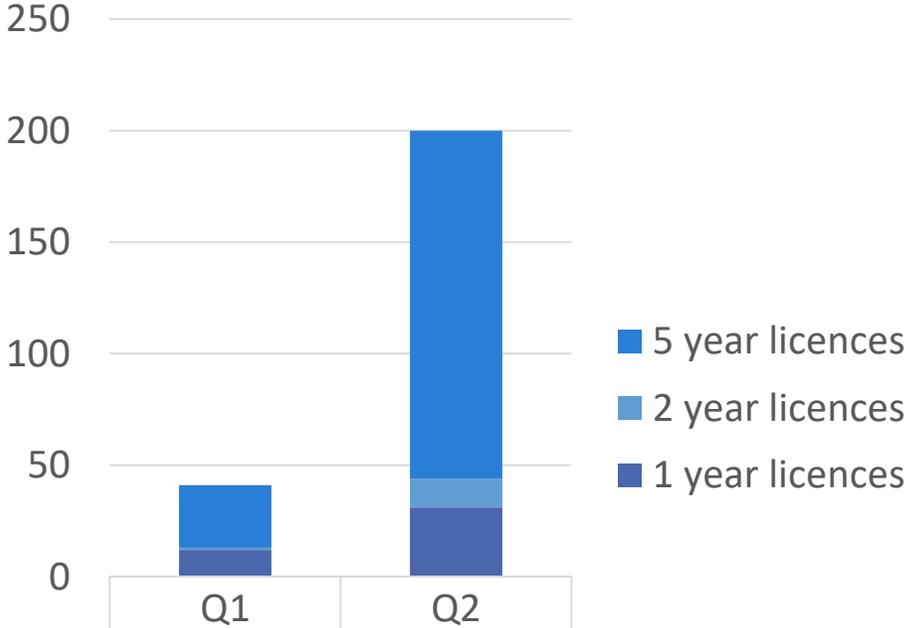
Length of Licences issued

Mandatory Licences Issued by Length



5 year licences	136	89
2 year licences	12	11
1 year licences	31	23

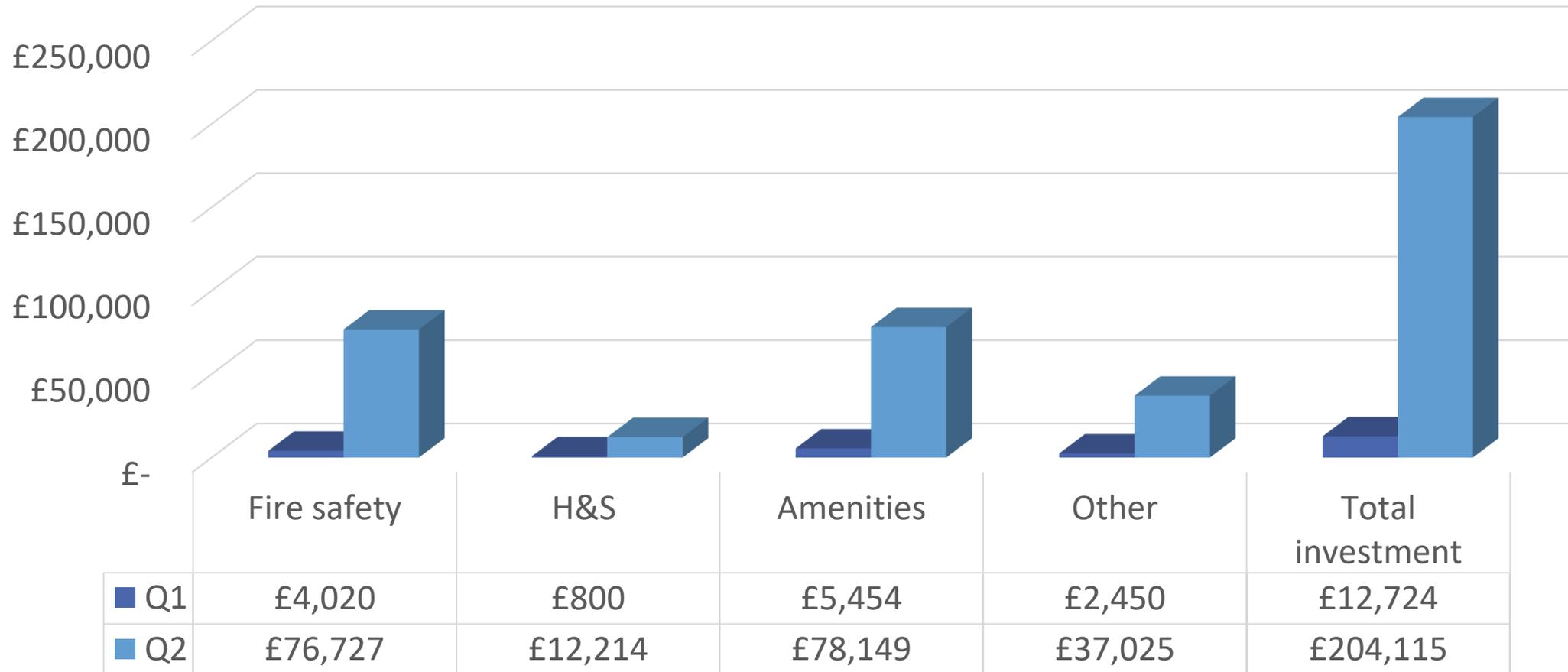
Additional Licences Issued by Length



5 year licences	28	156
2 year licences	1	13
1 year licences	12	31



Investment as a direct result of Licensing



Enforcement Activity

- Civil Penalties as alternative to prosecution
 - Ringfenced for PRS activity
- 161 Notices Issued
 - 10 Improvement notices
 - 6 Prohibitions
 - 1 Emergency Action
- 145 Proactive HMO Inspections
- 1362 licensing inspections since April 2021

Useful contacts

- Report a potential unlicensed or problematic HMO – HMO@coventry.gov.uk
- Housing Disrepair or problematic Empty Dwellings – housingenforcement@coventry.gov.uk

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Agenda Item 6

Communities and Neighbourhoods Work Programme 2021-22

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Please see page 2 onwards for background to items

Last updated 19/11/21

8th July 2021
Local Development Scheme Fly-tipping – Establishment of a Task and Finish Group
23rd September 2021
Postponed
4th November 2021
Housing and Homelessness Services Update i) Impact of Covid-19 ii) Supply of affordable accommodation
2nd December 2021
Flood risk management and drainage update report Update on Housing Licensing Schemes and Enforcement
Wednesday 15th December 2021
Supplementary Planning Documents i) Open Spaces ii) Affordable Housing iii) Energy
3rd February 2022
Hot Streets Pilot Review Fly-tipping Task and Finish Group Report
31st March 2022
-
Possible items for 2021-22
Housing Development Infrastructure Housing support for women experiencing multiple disadvantage Pavements and Pathways – Progress Report Residents Parking Scheme Traffic Lights in the City Electric Vehicle Charging City Centre Parking Impact of VLR on utilities under highways and footpaths Street Light PFI

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
8th July 2021	Local Development Scheme		David Butler Cllr Welsh
	Fly-tipping – Establishment of a Task and Finish Group	To include a further progress report following the meeting on 19 March 2021 – including use of wording on signage	Craig Hickin Cllr AS Khan
23rd September 2021	Postponed		
4th November 2021	Housing and Homelessness Services Update i) Impact of Covid-19 ii) Supply of affordable accommodation	To invite main social housing providers in to discuss plans for what is going to be developed and delivered over next 12-18 months. How it meets city's needs in terms of supply. To consider what impact Covid has had on housing – in terms of ASB, evictions and what can be done to support residents	Jim Crawshaw Cllr Welsh Housing Providers
2nd December 2021	Flood risk management and drainage update report	An annual update on the flood risk management programme	Cllr Hetherton Neal Thomas
	Update on Housing Licensing Schemes and Enforcement	To look in more detail on the implementation and enforcement of the HMO licensing scheme	Cllr Welsh/ Davina Blackburn/ Adrian Chowns
Wednesday 15th December 2021	Supplementary Planning Documents i) Open Spaces ii) Affordable Housing iii) Energy	For SB4 to contribute to the consultation	Cllr Welsh David Butler
3rd February 2022	Hot Streets Pilot Review	To consider the impact of the Hot Streets pilot.	Cllr Hetherton Craig Hickin
	Fly-tipping Task and Finish Group Report	To consider the recommendations from the T&F group on Fly-tipping	Cllr Hetherton, Cllr AS Khan Craig Hickin, Martin McHugh

Communities and Neighbourhoods Work Programme 2021-22

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
31st March 2022	-		
Possible items for 2021-22	Housing Development Infrastructure	To look at proposals for planned housing developments and infrastructure. Specifically, to look at the timetabling of these developments and associated roads and infrastructure which will be required to support population growth and movement. To seek assurances that infrastructure will be in place before homes are occupied.	Cllr Welsh Andrew Walster/ David Butler
	Housing support for women experiencing multiple disadvantage	To look at housing support for vulnerable women in the City with multiple complex needs.	Cllr Welsh Jim Crawshaw
	Pavements and Pathways – Progress Report	Using the Cabinet Report with additional detail on how the locations were identified.	Cllr Hetheron Neil Cowper
	Residents Parking Scheme	A report considering the changes suggested to meet the income target set in the MTFs. To look at the potential repercussions of introducing changes where there are none currently.	Cllr Hetheron Paul Bowman
	Traffic Lights in the City	To receive an update on the traffic light replacement programme, with a particular focus on the use of sensors to improve traffic flow. Including pedestrian priority on lights.	Cllr Hetheron Ben Gray
	Electric Vehicle Charging	A review of the installation and usage of electric vehicle charging points across the city, including for disability scooters.	Cllr O’Boyle/ Hetheron Colin Knight Shamala Evans
	City Centre Parking	To bring the Cabinet Report planned for Spring/Summer 2021 to SB4 to consider changes to city centre car parks	Cllr Hetheron Paul Bowman
	Impact of VLR on utilities under highways and footpaths	Members requested a report on how the installation of the VLR track would take account of utilities including fibre	Rachel Goodyer Nicola Small Cllr Hetheron

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
		beneath the highways and footpaths. To be considered once a route had been confirmed	
	Street Light PFI	A briefing note has been requested for circulation.	Cllr Hetherton/ Rachel Goodyear