



**HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE**

**QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER STANDING ORDER 34**

**Question asked by Cllr Chris Stubbs regarding Flooding in Stoney Stanton**

Within the village of Stoney Stanton there is an underground culvert of 300mm that runs across Station Road and is now terminated to a 4" underground pipe. This pipe was originally installed as flood mitigation to the Mountsorrel Cottage between 1988 and 1992 and the pipe took water from the rear of the properties and the road drainage system across the road that subsequently flowed openly into the field. The works to terminate this pipework was completed by Bellway Homes subcontractors, and is not in conjunction with the plans, flood / water calculations nor authorised works that are published by the planning authority.

I have personally toured multiple representatives from LCC, most recently Jon Vann so there is awareness of the issue.

The knock on effect of this is that whilst the water from the road surface has been diverted from this system with the implementation of the new roadway drainage. All of the water from the rear of the properties now flows into a non maintained system that has no capacity that is effectively terminated.

Given that LCC are aware of these works, what actions against the companies responsible for these terminations are taking place and what is being done to reinstate the system that is needed to relieve the rear of these properties in a high water flow even back to original implementation standard?

**Reply by the Chairman**

The proposed scheme will catch the majority of the flow upstream instead, which is a far more efficient approach than it continuing to flow overland to the rear of the cottages, the stream flood into gardens then picking up the flow locally in gullies. However, during detailed design a need to give further consideration to local surface water is required, because some pipework may be needed to address localised standing water.

The development of a flood alleviation scheme works in stages and the conversation with residents will be ongoing. The Council has submitted the outline proposal to the Environment Agency, and if the funding bid is successful, there will be opportunity

during the next stage, detailed design, to address remaining factors which are of concern to residents.