

Report for Council Meeting 15 March 2022 (Rev A)

Bridgnorth Flood Action Group (BTC Working Group)

Information on progress to date following initial Public 'come and meet and talk to us meeting', back in November 21, and the follow up meeting of 2nd December 21.

Contact has been made and maintained with the NFF and a ZOOM meeting was held with them and local residents on 24 January 22.

A 'walk the course' meeting held with NFF on 2nd Feb 22 , where Cllrs Nicky Cooper and Ian Wellings gave 3 members of the NFF a guided tour of the areas vulnerable to flooding.

A 'let us know your problems and concerns' meeting was organized by the NFF on 9 Feb. 22, at the BLCC . 7 members of the public, 3 NFF; Cllrs Nicky Cooper, Liz Rochelle and Ian Wellings attended. The poor public attendance was disappointing.

A further meeting organized by the NFF was held on 16 Feb 22, at the BLCC , as a follow up meeting to the ' Let us know your problems Meeting'

BTC attendance was not required nor at any future NFF and Residents Flood Action Group Meetings.

The working group is now very much a 'background role' with the establishment of the Residents led Flood Action Group mentored by the National Flood Forum. The Phase 1 outstanding items are 'temporary' road signs and establishing contacts for Sand Bag delivery.

Phase 2 Flood prevention measures is the next task for the Group if considered worthwhile.

Severe flooding over the weekend 19 & 20 Feb, Continued Mon 21 , Tues 22, Wed 23 .

Excellent and appreciated help by Karen Sawbridge, Ian George and Chris Aked who collected Sandbags from Stanley Lane and delivered to Severn Terrace. James Gittins volunteered his services on Monday/Tuesday and helped out with further sandbag distribution.

'Flood Permits' made available FOC for Severn Park and Innage Lane Car Parks , Shropshire Councillor Kirstie Hurst Knight instigated.

The WhatsApp media proved invaluable in keeping in touch with everyone.

Maybe Sandbags should be stored adjacent to areas that require them in a hurry? (like the sand and grit box system for snow and icy conditions)

Sandbag supply turned into a problem needs sorting, Storage similar to Salt/Grit stockpile.

Thanks and appreciation for support and help to Cllrs Sarah Barlow, Karen Sawbridge, Nicky Cooper. Liz Rochelle, Julia Buckley, Chris Aked and Luke Neal.

Cllr Ian Wellings FAGDoc 21 02 2022. (Rev A)