

## **Exhibition 2015 Feedback Flooding**

25 comments were received. These were analysed into 3 themes which are listed in the tables below. All the comments received are listed at the end.

- 9 comments related to flood prevention on new developments and the need for proper design and plans to be included in the development design
- 6 comments were concerned about the maintenance of ditches, or lack of maintenance.
- 8 other comments were received on other flood issues.

Ref No           = cross reference to feedback card

Threads         = colour highlights common threads

If no comment was made the card was omitted from the analysis hence missing ref numbers

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## Comments Catalogued into Principle Themes

Ref No	Response	Thread
801	[Suggested policies adequately cover the issues] BUT should reference to drainage from hard standing be explicit -	Ditches, drains etc
812	Suggest Highways maintain existing drainage infrastructure and roadways – they are obviously not doing so.	
816	Please don't drain ditches, streams etc or pipe them. Incorporate existing ones in the village design. Could a new wood be planted to take up water planted with woodland flowers for villagers.	
826	Drain clearance took place at the road opposite the Cinnamon Tree this week and cones were in place not to park. Yet people still did. Area needs to be enforced to allow drain clearance to reduce flooding risk at the station.	
840	Maintenance of existing drainage ditches and channels and road drains/sewers would help prevent issues = we should secure funding/provision of this as part of the NDP.	
851	Ditches in the village often appear to be neglected. Inspection by the relevant authorities would be advisable and action taken. Removal of debris and rubbish would make the passage of water faster and cut down the risk of flooding.	
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804	One single development would have more impact than many sites	
808	SuDS systems are standard EA requirements and ground in Mortimer needs better than this. Longer bunded flood area needed at Tun Bridge	
817	Why even suggest allocated housing sites with even the faintest chance of a flood risk?	
819	Water management needs to be part of any development proposals	
832	Avoid developments near flood plains/areas that have flooded.	
835	In addition to the normal SUDS measures new development should have a pond feature which does not drain at all, but can be evaporated or stored until drought conditions occur.	
842	Any development must provide sufficient drainage not to exacerbate existing flood risks.	
849	Reduction in concreting over. i.e. use of porous materials, planting of vegetation, anything that can allow water to seep into the ground rather than run off.	
835	Discussion should be held with Thames Water and the Environment Agency with a view to implementing a solution of pumping to storage in known areas of existing flooding. The capital cost of this and some of the running costs could be covered by "infrastructure	Other

	finance gain"	
830	Fairground drainage	
836	Drainage South of the Avenue needs to be considered.	
837	The map showing the flood plain is inaccurate & too small to decipher. The field opposite Foudry House and The Cinnamon Tree has a considerable recent history of flooding. The water has come up as far as the dividing fence which is 2/3 of the way up the field towards St Mary's church	
838	Please do not forget that the field opposite the Cinnamon Tree floods each year. Please reinforce that the site is off limits for building etc. since it floods yearly???	
847	The Foudry Brook will need cleaning the whole length to allow uninhibited flow.	Station Flooding
803	Stop the flooding near the station	
808	Longer bunded flood area needed at Tun Bridge	

## All Comments

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820	You can't stop climate change – why not work with it? Wet land areas with board walks for recreation. Ponds, reed beds, bird boxes and nesting sites/ Plant blackthorn, hawthorn. Attract nightjars, nightingales/
825	Sort the larger car park at the station, clear drains in The Street = less flooding at the station.
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831	There needs to be a designated route in & out of the village so escape is possible Recent floods indicated need for properly maintained emergency route from village to A33
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842	Any development must provide sufficient drainage not to exacerbate existing flood risks.
843	But where will schools and Dr's be built?
845	Maintenance of ditches and streams vital.
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