

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015

THAMES WATER DRAINAGE STRATEGY
REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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(The report is for information)

1. PURPOSE

To receive information regarding the draft Witney (Brize Norton) Drainage Strategy, prepared by Thames Water in respect of delivering long term outcomes for drainage issues in Brize Norton.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee considers the draft strategy document in light of the information provided at the meeting and makes any comments/observations it considers appropriate at this stage.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. At the last meeting Thames Water's draft Witney (Brize Norton) Drainage Strategy, produced as part of the preparation of a business plan for the period 2015-2020 and describing the process proposed to undertake to deliver long term drainage solutions in Brize Norton, was submitted to the Committee. The strategy document is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 3.2. At the meeting Members found the document a little 'high level', lacking the detail and timescales that they had hoped to see, and resolved that representatives of Thames Water be invited to attend the next meeting of the Committee to outline the strategy and to respond to any questions from Members and representatives of the relevant local councils.
- 3.3. Mr Huw Thomas, Thames Water's Local / Regional liaison, has agreed to attend this meeting and representatives from Carterton Town and Brize Norton Parish Councils have also been invited to attend.
- 3.4. Members are requested to give notice of any specific issues they wished to raise through the Council's Democratic Services section.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

None

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

6. RISKS

None

7. REASONS

Drainage and flooding issues accord with the corporate aim to protect and enhance the environment of West Oxfordshire and maintain the district as a clean, beautiful place with low levels of crime and nuisance.

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Background Papers:
None