WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE THURSDAY 20 JULY 2017

THAMES WATER FLOOD PREVENTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR

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(The decisions on this matter will be resolutions)

I. PURPOSE

To receive information from representatives of Thames Water on flood prevention and infrastructure issues and the manner in which the company assesses applications for planning permission.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the information provided be noted.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. At its meeting held on 30 March the Committee agreed that representatives of Thames Water be invited to attend its next meeting to discuss flood prevention and infrastructure issues and also the manner in which the company assesses applications for planning permission and, in particular, what account is taken of the potential cumulative impact of developments in particular locations.
- 3.2. Thames Water's Planning Team for Oxfordshire was unable to attend the last meeting owing to a prior commitment but Mr Huw Thomas and colleagues from the team will be present at this meeting to provide information on these matters.
- 3.3. In addition, either the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing or the Development Manager, depending upon progress with the Local Plan Hearings, will be on hand to respond to Members' questions.
- 3.4. Members of the Committee who have any specific issues they wish to raise are requested to notify Committee Services prior to the meeting.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

Not applicable

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

6. REASONS

To enable the Council to address its priority to protect the environment.

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