

Broughton Community Flood Meeting

7.30 – 8.30PM

THURSDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 2021

Agenda

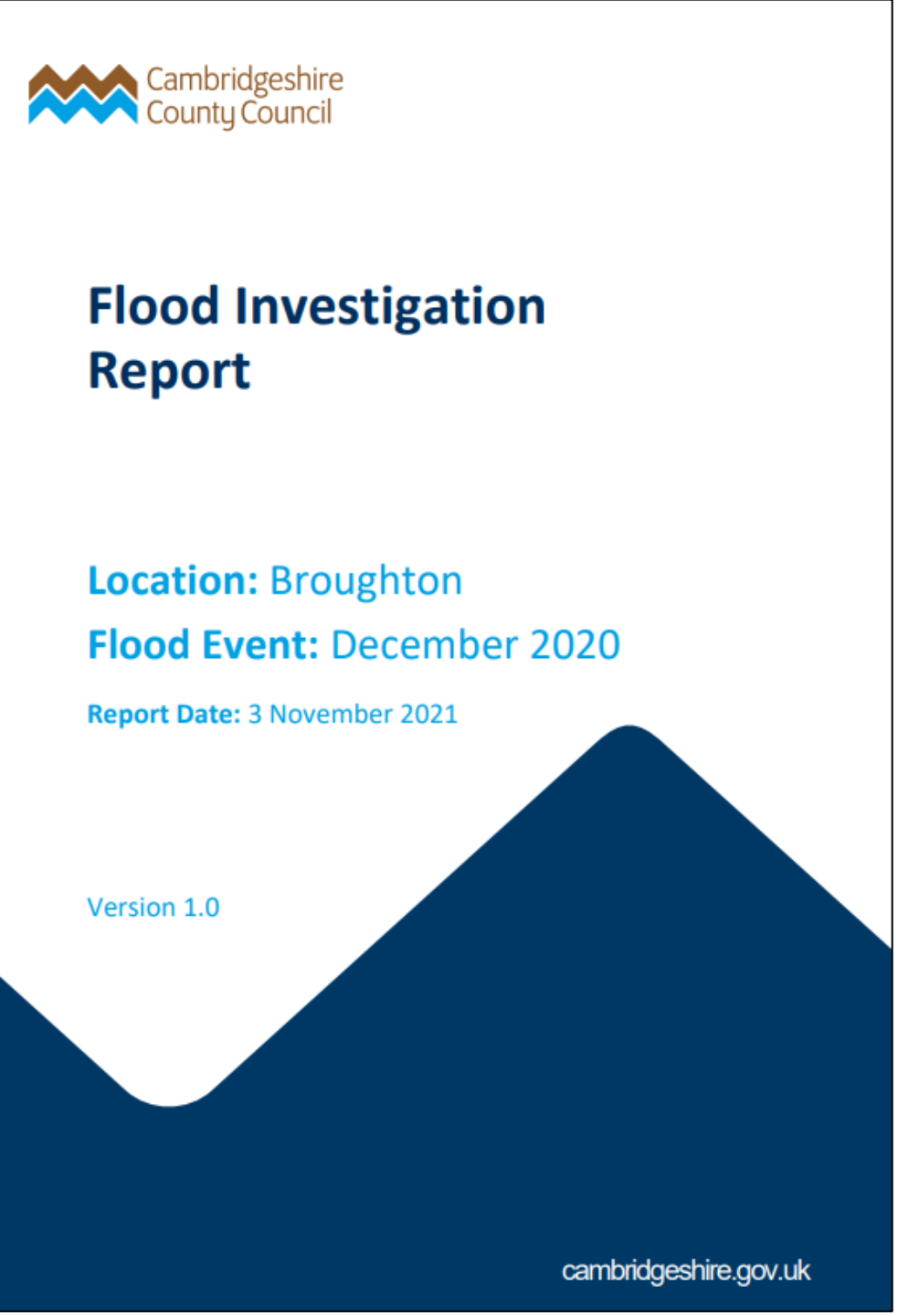
- Welcome
- Purpose of the Meeting
- December 2020 Flooding Report Update
- Broughton Flood Action Group
- Flood Action Plan
- Next Steps

Purpose of the Meeting



- Will cover:
  - Update on Dec 2020 flood report
  - Introduce Broughton Flood Action Group
  - Emerging Flood Plan
- Not here for:
  - Blaming authorities
  - Getting scared

➢ **We will build relationships with authorities to get help**
➢ **We can do a lot ourselves**



December 2020 Flooding Report Update

- Cambridge County Council have investigated flooding
- Identified what happened and actions to reduce future risk
- Process
  - Village walkover, collated information
  - Draft sent end Sept 2021
  - Shared with Parish Council and Flood Action Group
  - Responded mid October
  - Final published 17 November 2021

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Flood Investigation Report

Location: Broughton

Flood Event: December 2020

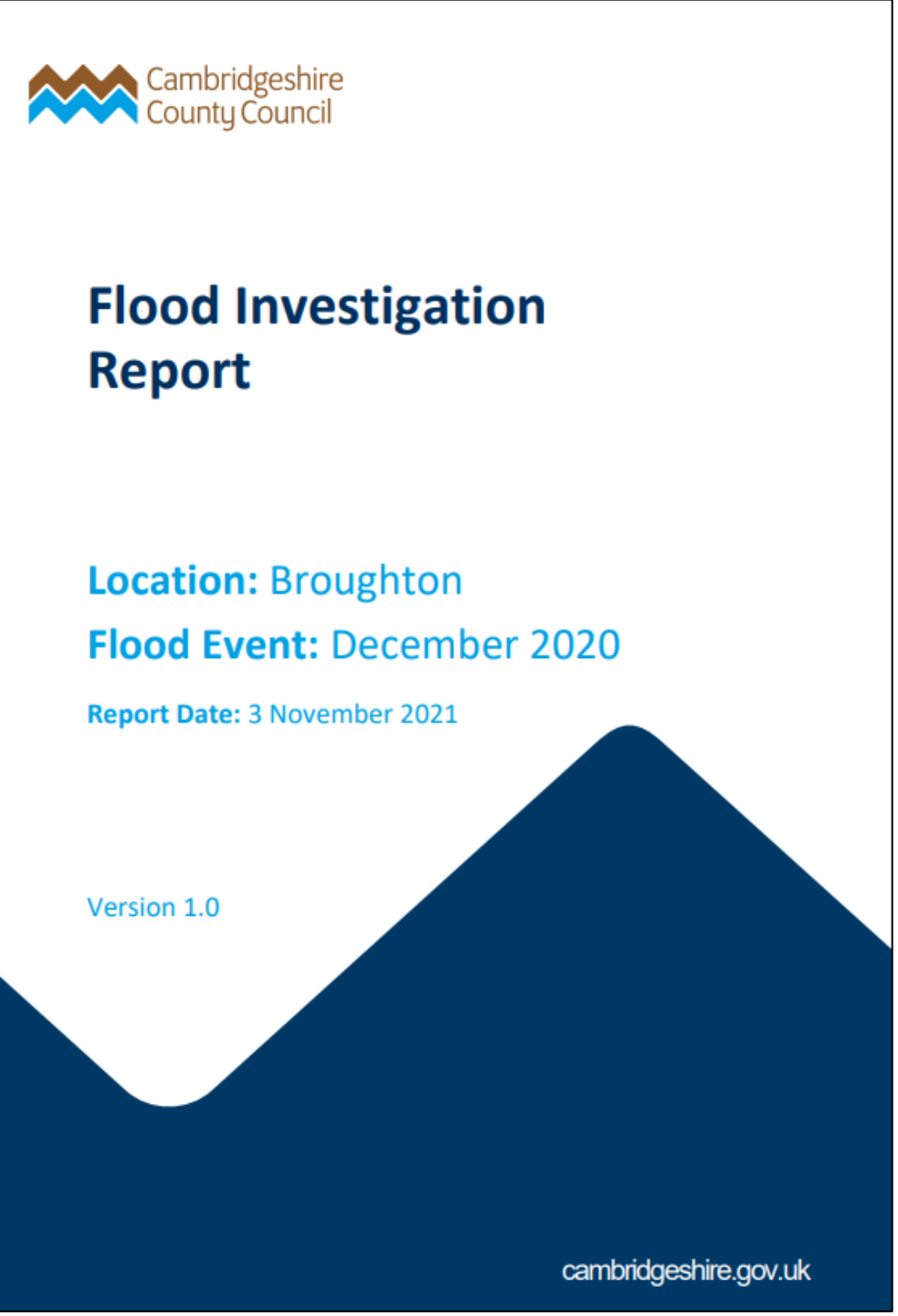
Report Date: 3 November 2021

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December 2020 Flooding Report Update

1. Flooding occurred *from* the Brook as well as from water unable to drain *into* the Brook ☑
2. Saturated ground, but operation of upstream ponds also likely contributed ☒
3. Volunteers cannot safely or effectively maintain the Brook ☑



December 2020 Flooding Report Update

- Oct – Dec 2020 rainfall was 1.5 times the average
- December 2020 rainfall was double the average
- 80% of the average Dec rainfall fell on 23rd Dec
- River levels at Kings Ripton rose 2.2m in 12 hours
- At least 16 internal flooded properties, more flooded outside and long period until could return
- Flooding was *from* the Brook as well as surface water unable to drain *to* the Brook

Key Actions

Action	Organisation and Status
Maintenance of Abbot's Ripton Estate pond/watercourse	CCC / Abbot's Ripton Estate / Urban & Civic – Completed
Maintenance of highway gullies and fitting non-return valves	CCC / Highways – Gullies cleansed and valves ongoing
Reinstate damaged gullies	Highways - ongoing
Earlier flood warning trigger	Environment Agency - ongoing
Review Brook maintenance & investigate feasibility of dredging	Environment Agency - ongoing

Questions?





Broughton Flood Action Group

- Volunteers representing the interests of Broughton in matters relating to flooding
  - Help prepare for, and provide assistance during and after a flood
  - Be alert to wider village issues related to flooding, and coordinate a response



Broughton Flood Action Group

- More coordinated approach, some offering and some receiving help
- Provides motivation to protect ourselves, gain useful knowledge
- Accountability, including links to Parish Council
- Access to funding, e.g. EA offering £1,500



Broughton Flood Action Group

- Anticipate 6-8 people, including two flood wardens
- Quarterly meetings
- Specific inputs as required

Flood Wardens

- Help you prepare a personal flood plan
- Pass on warnings and information
- Contact you if flooding is likely or occurs
- Organise assistance as required
- Collect important information



Questions?





Broughton Flood Action Plan

VERSION 1

DECEMBER 2021

About this Flood Action Plan

Purpose

- Better understand flood risk
- Help you prepare for flooding
- Understand assistance available

Contents

1. Get information
2. Important contacts
3. Maps
4. Checklists
5. Broughton Flood Action Group

Get Environment Agency Flood Warnings



FLOOD ALERT

PREPARE

- Prepare a bag that includes medicines and insurance documents
- Visit **www.gov.uk/check-flooding**



FLOOD WARNING

ACT

- Turn off gas, water and electricity
- Move things upstairs or to safety
- Move family, pets and car to safety



SEVERE FLOOD WARNING

SURVIVE

- Call 999 if in immediate danger
- Follow advice from emergency services
- Keep yourself and your family safe

Visit **check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/plan-ahead-for-flooding** **#PrepareActSurvive**

Get Local Updates



Broughton (Cambridgeshire) Village Community



Broughton Flood Action Group



Phone



Door-to-door



Local radio

Important Contacts

Only call 999 if your life is in danger

Flood Wardens	Villagers Offering Assistance	Your Service Providers	Authorities
Lead: Dave Cobby Agapanthas, School Rd 07493 011907	Friend/relative:	Electricity: Gas: Water: Telephone:	Environment Agency: 0345 988 1188
Bridge Road:		Insurance (buildings): Insurance (contents): Insurance (car):	Huntingdon DC: 01480 388388 / 434167
Causeway Road:			Power Cut: 105 Gas Leak: 0800 111 999 Water Leak: 0800 771 881

Flood wardens will never put themselves at risk (including entering flood water) but can call the appropriate organisation

Flood extent

- Extent of possible flooding

Flood Warden Areas

- Bridge Road
- Causeway Road

Roads

- Roads at risk of flooding

River

- Bury Brook

Notable buildings

- Crown Inn PH
- Church
- Village Hall
- Broughton Village Hall
- Church of All Saints

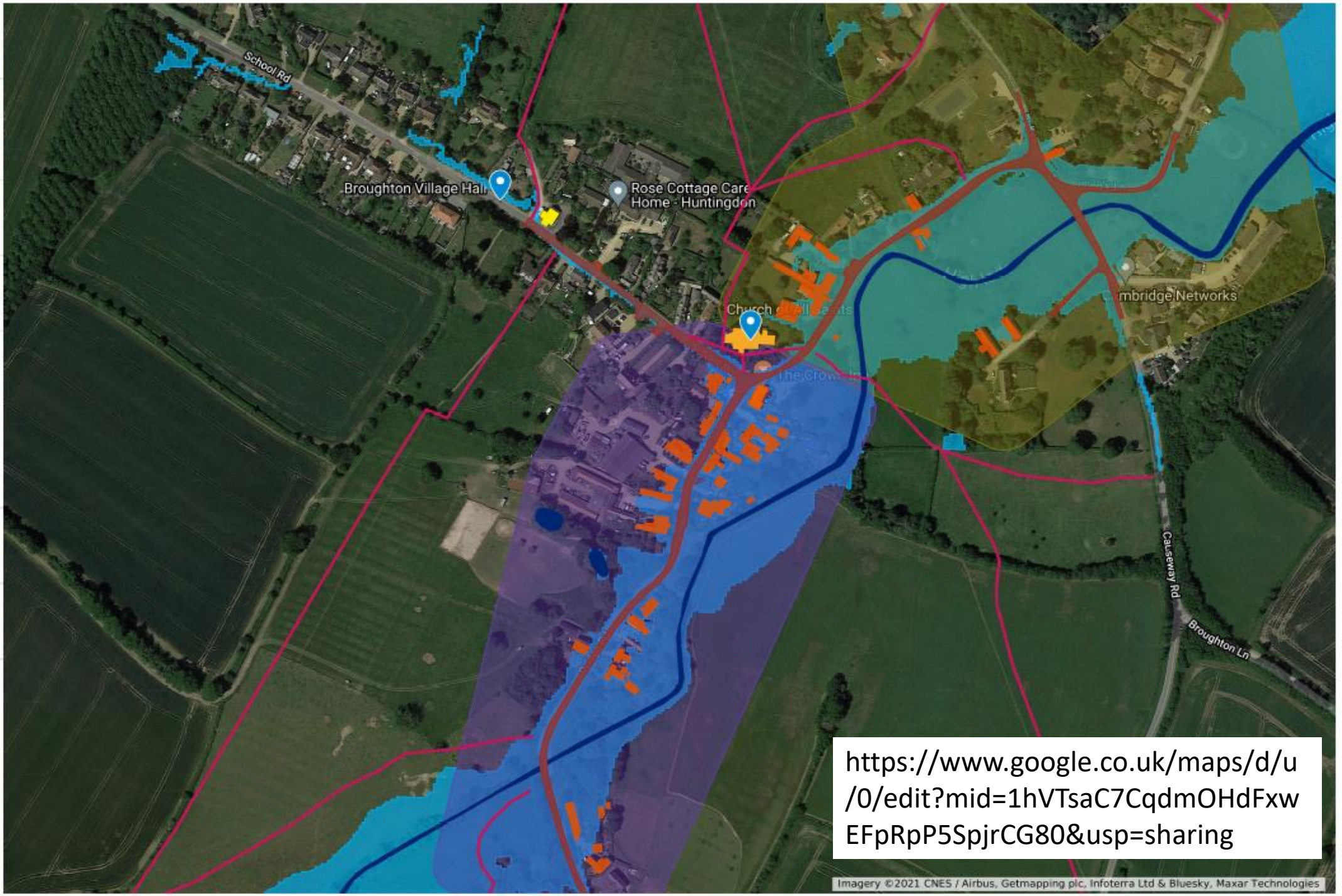
Rights of way

- Footpath

Buildings

- Buildings at risk of flooding

To aid preparation for a flood event in the village



Evacuation Centre: Village Hall



- If you need to leave your house:
  - Plan A: Go to friends/family
  - Plan B: Go to village hall
- Will be opened if severe flooding likely
- Designated meeting place
- Heating, hot drinks, toilets
- Pets allowed
- No mats or bedding provided

Checklist: Before a Flood



Action	Information	Action	Information
Sign up for flood warnings and understand codes		Check flood protection measures ready to deploy	
Sign up for local flood information		Where do I turn off electricity?	
Prepare flood emergency kit		Where do I turn off gas?	
Check insurance cover		Where do I turn off water?	
Consider flood survey to better protect house		Plan where to move car and outside belongings/pets to	
		Plan to raise furniture and white goods off floor	(e.g. bricks)

Checklist: During a Flood

Never enter deep or fast flowing water. Six inches of fast-flowing water can knock over an adult and two feet of water can move a car.

Be prepared to act quickly		If you have time and is safe to do so	
✓	Get flood emergency kit	✓	Fill containers with clean water
✓	Move items of personal value upstairs	✓	Turn off electricity (not if standing in flood water)
✓	Raise furniture and white goods off floor	✓	Turn off gas
✓	Deploy flood protection measures	✓	Turn off water
✓	Move car and outside belongings/pets to higher ground		

Checklist: After a Flood

- Don’t turn on electricity until its been checked
- Take photos of everything damaged, inside and outside
- Take photos of tide marks showing maximum water level
- Call insurer and note claim number
- Check with insurer what you can throw out before they have assessed damage
- Take electricity meter reading – clean up costs can be claimed

About Broughton Flood Action Group

PURPOSE

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WHO WE ARE

- Dave Cobby (Lead)
- Roger Clark (Link to Parish Council)
- Richard Probyn (Development Issues)
- (Flood Warden for Bridge Road)
- (Flood Warden for Causeway Road)

Questions?




Photo courtesy of Mike Mayson

Summary

- Dec 2020 flood investigation published
- Flood Action Group now recruiting
- Flood Action Plan being drafted

Next Steps



1. Recruit volunteers
   - Could you offer assistance?
2. Flood Wardens
   - Could you be one?
   - Do you want to be on their list?
3. Draft Flood Plan
   - What information would you find helpful?
4. Visit to Alconbury site to see drainage ponds?
   - Aim for January
   - Let us know if you're interested

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Thank you