

BOSHAM PARISH COUNCIL WATER BAILIFF

MONTHLY REPORT –OCTOBER 2008

Executive Summary

A total of 55.9mm fell this month with almost half of this falling in one day (4th). Traditionally this is the time of year that the falling leaves collect in ditches and watercourses and combine with debris already there to create a mixture that will effectively block pipes and cause all sorts of difficulties. My absence during October for a two week holiday to Jordan and Egypt (to examine the Dead Sea and Nile watercourses obviously!) was ably covered by the Flood Team.

It is with some satisfaction that I can report that the usual choke points have been avoided this year. With the help of Gavin Holder from the CDC and his official correspondence we have managed jointly to persuade some of the riparian owners to grasp the 'nettle' and arrange clearance of their respective stretches properly. The before and after pictures in the Appendix tell their own story. Hopefully next year will see this work carried out routinely without my successor having to threaten to open a vein to get it done!

I'm pleased to report that the new plastic outer flap has now been fitted to the Stumps End sluice by the Environment Agency contract engineers. Job well done – at last!! See before/after pictures in Appendix. Progress is now required at the Moreton Road leak site which is fairly minor by comparison.

The audible rush of water that could be heard beneath the manhole in the road at the junction of Crede Lane and Bosham Lane has now ceased. Judging by the repair work on the surface I am assuming that Southern Water have fixed the problem. I await the details.

The next issue on the list is the solution to the obstruction which I believe lies within the drainage pipe which lies underneath the Brinkmans Nursery property and is supposed to drain the Chequer Lane ditch system into the East Ditch watercourse. I hope to report a way forward before I hand over the reins at the end of the year.

Action Required/Requested

1) Moreton Road leak – request progress report.

ACTION - EA



David West
2nd November 2008

Copies, via e-mail, sent to:

Action, if required

Mr G Holder - Building Services, Chichester District Council
 Mr A Davison - Flood Defence Strategy, Environment Agency
 Mr M Ford - Environment Agency – Operations Delivery Tech Support
 Mr J Thomas - Wastewater Networks Western Area Manager, Southern Water
 Mrs V Treagust – Bosham Parish Council Clerk

Mr R Riley – Chichester District Council
 Mr B Killner – Environment Agency – Operations Field Team Leader
 Mr S Johnson - Highway Network Services (Western Area), WSCC
 Mr A Adams - Sewerage Policy Manager, Southern Water

Information

Mr J Hinton- Chairman, Bosham Association
 Mr P Price - Bosham Association
 Mr E Hinkley – Bosham Association

Mrs P West - Chairman, Bosham Parish Council
 Mr P Stern - Co-author Bosham Flood and Sewerage Report 2001
 Mr P Newman – Bosham Association

Abbreviations:

PP - Peter Price	PS - Peter Stern	DW - Dave West (Author)	EA - Environment Agency
HWYs - Highways	HW - High Water	BA - Bosham Association	CDC - Chichester District Council
PN - Peter Newman	JH - John Hinton	U/S - Unserviceable	

Date	Site/ Weather Situation	Observation	Action
Friday 3 rd	Shore Road, Trippett pipe	All clear	
Sunday 5 th	23.5mm in 24hrs Walton Lane grille East Ditch	OK Debris now collecting along the stretch Monitor
Tuesday 7 th	Delling Lane	Drain emptying by small sucker vehicle. CDC??	

Date	Site/ Weather Situation	Observation	Action
Tuesday 28 th	Delling Lane and Bosham Lane	CDC Road sweeper in operation	Thank you
Friday 31 st	Walton Lane – Forge Cottage, Crede Farm sections	Properly cleared (see pix)	CDC to send 'thank you' letters
	Chequer Lane – Brinkmans Nursery ditch	Properly cleared (see pix)	Progress required on obstruction in pipe.
	Shore Road, Trippett pipe	Full of cut grass and rock debris (see pix)	I cleared it out
	Millstream Hotel gauge	Showing 2.6m (at 1115hrs). Sailing Club main sluice open	

END OF REPORT

APPENDIX 1

Stumps End Outer Flap



BEFORE



AFTER

APPENDIX 2
WALTON LANE – FORGE COTTAGE



BEFORE



AFTER

APPENDIX 3
WALTON LANE – CREDE FARM



BEFORE



AFTER

APPENDIX 4

CHEQUER LANE - BRINKMANS DITCH



BEFORE



AFTER

APPENDIX 5

SHORE ROAD – TRIPPETT PIPE



BEFORE



AFTER