

Flood Group Report March 2025

1. Flood barriers

An application has been submitted to buy some Flood Barriers. A sum of £837 has to be raised by the flood Group. This may be done by donation to the Parish Council reference Flood Group.

2. Access Chamber on Culvert

A tender document has been sent out to 5 companies with a return date of the 22nd April. The original tender had to be revised to take account the Environment Agency requirements and culvert ownership. Following the receipt of tenders and application is to be made to Somerset Rivers Authority for grant funding. Again donations are likely to be needed to complete the work.

3. Attenuation pond

Discussions are in progress to purchase the field on the bends by the A371. No value has been determined.

4. Drains

The drains on Church Street and Old Street lane have been cleared by SCC. The approach to the drains in Old Street Lane have been cleared by volunteers – thanks go to the small group that helped. Volunteers have agreed to check and clear the surface of the drains in Old Street Lane and Thrupe Lane.

5. Boulder Traps

The provision of boulder traps was not supported by the Environment Agency because they were concerned that silt would build up behind the 16mm bar (in an upturned U).

6. Communications

A reply from Alistaire Carmichael is still outstanding concerning the responsibility for improving the throughput of the culvert - more open channel? A similar query is with our MP Tessa Munt.

7. The survey of the culvert to determine the riparian owners was scheduled for March and a new date is awaited.

8. A meeting of Wardens was arranged by John Owen the Wardens were appraised of the procedures and visited the equipment stores.

Paul Hodge

Chair of Croscombe Flood Group