

## Eastern Area Committee Meeting September 2024 – Matters arising

No.	Item	Background	Progress on actions
1.	Flooding in the Eastern Area	<p>Members noted the tracking report on flooding issues in the Eastern area, compiled by Councillor Charles Gibson, the Area Committee Member lead on flooding. Councillor Gibson advised that he had been in touch with Southern Water (SW) to see what they could do to assist with the issues raised and he hoped to bring a fuller update to the next Area Committee meeting.</p> <p>Members were asked to continue to provide updates and information for the tracking report.</p> <p>It was agreed to invite SW to a future Eastern Area Committee meeting.</p> <p>Monitoring of the Faversham Recreation Ground/Whitstable Road works, carried out by KCC and SBC, continue.</p>	This matter will be discussed under Agenda Item 8.
2.	Earth bunds at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School	A resident said he was concerned that the earth bunds at the Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Faversham, could alter the hydrology of the area.	An update has been given to the resident who raised this matter.

<p>3.</p>	<p>Conservation Area Reviews</p>	<p>The Conservation &amp; Design Team report progress on Conservation Area Reviews to the Area Committees.</p>	<p><b>Faversham - Preston Next Conservation Area</b>  The Conservation Area appraisal was presented to the Policy &amp; Resources Committee on the 7th of February 2024, where in it was unanimously agreed to adopt the proposed document along with the proposed Boundary changes. Next step is to finalise the document with the proposed changes and send notifications to the properties within the conservation area and to London Gazette. It is envisaged that the final adopted document will be updated on the Swale Borough Council (SBC) website by Autumn of 2024.</p> <p><b>Faversham- Town Conservation Area</b>  The Conservation Area appraisal was presented to the Policy &amp; Resources Committee on the 20th of March 2024, where in it was unanimously agreed to adopt the proposed document along with the proposed Boundary changes. Next step is to finalise the document with the proposed changes and send notifications to the properties within the conservation area and to London Gazette. It is envisaged that the final adopted document will be updated on the SBC website by Autumn of 2024.</p> <p><b>Cellar Hill &amp; Greenstreet Conservation Area</b>  On Historic England's advice, the proposed new conservation area along London Road which falls between Station Road and Lynsted Lane to the west of the existing conservation</p>
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			<p>area, is being included in the current Cellar Hill &amp; Greenstreet Conservation Area. The new revised document is out for public consultation since 24<sup>th</sup> July scheduled to finish by 18<sup>th</sup> September. So far 2 responses have been received. The Conservation Area review is scheduled to be presented to October 2024 Policy &amp; Resources Committee.</p>
4.	Household Support Fund	<p>Members noted that the scheme had been successful but ceased at the end of March 2024 and no alternative funding had been identified so far. There were concerns about how people would cope once the Household Support Fund came to an end</p>	<p>It was announced at the Spring Budget that the Household Support Fund would be extended by six-months.</p>