Deadline 4 Post Hearing Submission. Personal Views

Anita Anderson

Dear Mr Singleton,

Just a few additional points from my own personal observations: Flow of water back to the local water courses from the development -following very heavy rainfall, the River Penk often floods, in several places in low level land areas which consequently affects local land, roads and properties. Please see the current warnings in place below.

GOV.UK

Flood information service



Flood warning in force now

River Penk at Penkridge

Flooding is expected - immediate action required

River levels are forecast to continue rising at the Penkridge river gauge as a result of heavy rainfall overnight and as water travels down the river. Consequently, flooding of properties, roads and farmland is possible later this afternoon 13/06/2019. This is currently issued as a precaution based on the forecast. Flooding will affect properties around Tedesley Road and Pinfold Lane. Further heavy rainfall is forecast over the next 12 hours. We expect river levels to remain high for the rest of today. We are closely monitoring the situation. Our incident response staff are actively checking river levels and the weather forecast. Please avoid using low lying footpaths and bridges near local watercourses and plan driving routes to avoid low lying roads near rivers, which may be flooded. This message will be updated this evening, 13/06/19, or as the situation changes.



This information was last updated at 3:56pm Thursday 13 June 2019

Cheslyn hay linear walkway a bit flooded this morning — at Cheslyn Hay Linear Walkway





In respect of tourism and leisure in our local area:



Circular Walks in South Staffordshire

12 Circular Walks Around Codsall & Brewood

Cyclists brave weather to take on Brewood Cycle Challenge for scouts with pictures

By Thomas Parkes | South Staffordshire | News | Published: Jun 10, 2019

Cyclists jumped on their bikes in the pouring rain to take on an annual cycling challenge in Staffordshire.

More than 300 cyclists braved the bad weather for the Brewood Cycle Challenge, which raises money for the 2nd Brewood Scout Group.

People had the option of taking on the 50km or the 100km circular route – both of which took them through the Staffordshire and Shropshire countryside.

With continual HGV's on our roads, how safe will these cyclists be? This is an annual event that takes place in our local area. Please note the **Staffordshire countryside**.

Unaccompanied Site Inspection A5 west of Gailey

In respect of your unaccompanied site inspection along the A5 west of Gailey, firstly thank you for undertaking that particular journey and secondly, you may have noted the damaged drains that have been marked out for repair along this stretch. The surface dressing is very poor along here and the drains are often damaged from the heavy traffic on the road currently.

Trying to turn onto the A5 from the narrow lanes is extremely dangerous especially as the council do not cut back the grass verges enough to give clear vision. It is complete guesswork hence the couple of very nasty collisions that have occurred here recently (Horsebrook Lane junction).

<u>Chaos on M6 14th June 2019 (2 accidents am and pm between J12 & 13) Lorries involved. Massive delays also through Stafford.</u>



Ecology examples demonstrates local passion to protect our wildlife.

Cages were set to capture badgers in the Brewood area during the last cull. We shall be publicising other areas whose farmers killed badgers over the coming months.



Network Rail

Yahoo News 13-6-1

A report released in 2017 claimed managing trees and shrubs not a high priority for Government-owned Network Rail, which overseas Britain's railway lines,

In 2017-18 almost 19,000 incidents of falling trees and branches on the line were recorded compared with almost 11,500 in 2009-10.

In 2017 more than 1,750 trains were cancelled because of falling trees. Separate figures show that leaves on the line, caused 3,261 hours of delays in 2017 - a 70 per cent rise from the last decade.

The DfT and government's technology agency Innovate UK announced on Thursday that up to £7.8 million is being invested in 24 trials of projects to boost performance on the railway.

Just a few more things to take into account when considering the impact of this development on our local area.

Thank you.