



Belper Town Council Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022

<b>Agenda</b>	Item 12
<b>Submitted by</b>	Cllr Monkman
<b>Approval</b>	To formally recognise the Belper Flood Watch Scheme Working Group
<b>Purpose of the Report</b>	To obtain FC approval for a formal working group.
<b>Background Information</b>	<p>Since 2019 Belper has seen 3 significant flood incidents. We are never far away from the next and as such the Belper Flood Watch Scheme was created and recognised as a Belper Town Council initiative.</p> <p>It is necessary to formalise the current working group of Councillors, within that scheme.</p>
<b>Legislation</b>	N/A
<b>Accessibility Implications</b>	I seek to ensure our activities are accessible and inclusive.
<b>Climate Emergency Implications</b>	<p>This work will not accelerate our changing climate.</p> <p>It is needed as a response to it, not a cause of it.</p>
<b>Financial Implications</b>	N/A
<b>Recommendation(s)</b>	<p>That a formal Flood Project Working Group be approved and that the members of the Working Group are Councillors Emma Monkman, Fay Atkinson and Ben Bellamy.</p> <p>We have been working together on flooding since 2019, have attended every training course offered to us (DCC, EA and Communities Prepared) and are the current coordinators for our 4 flooding hotspots (Cllr B Bellamy covers 2). Last year our efforts significantly reduced the number of private dwellings with flood water encroachment, and we continue to work on our flood planning, response, and mitigation (The Flood Project).</p> <p>As Lead Flood Warden I will ensure we create a full report of our work so far (there are 3 main facets to the Flood Project) by the November FC – this work is in constant development as we regularly attend meetings.</p>
<b>Reasons for recommendation(s)</b>	Our Clerk requested that our activities be recognised as a formal working group within the Council.