

Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	Castle Combe Parish Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	07.01.12

Headlines/Key Issues

- Overnight on 24th/25th November twelve houses in Castle Combe were flooded, the majority through the river overflowing but in some cases through water rising through the floor due to the saturated high water table. A Flood Group Working Party has been formed by residents and includes members of the Parish Council. The Working Party is in contact with the Environment Agency which will be undertaking a Problem Identification Study in January, the results of which will be debated by the Working Party with the Unitary Council in its statutory responsible capacity as Lead Local Flood Authority, regarding measures to (1) Understand the causes and timelines (2) Action the Environment Agency and/or the Unitary Council to prepare a Flood Prevention Plan (3) Establish emergency cross-parish early warning procedures and communications (4) Implement preventative measures as soon as possible.

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- A Community Issue has been raised requesting urgent installation of a footpath on the B4039 between Whitegates and the village car park due to the danger to pedestrians, including children, along this busy highway. We have offered to host a site meeting as soon as possible with the Chippenham Area Transport Group and Highways.

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- We have arranged to take part once again in the next Emergency Planning Exercise.
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