



community flood plan

Parishes and communities working together

Contents

1. **Flood roles & contacts**
 - 1A- Roles & contact
 - 1B- Flood volunteers
2. **Flood zones**
 - 2A - Winterborne St Martin CP flood zone map
 - 2B – South Winterborne detailed flood management maps
3. **Actions to be taken before a flood**
 - 3A – Issues to consider for resolution before a flood
 - 2B - Locations at higher risk of flooding
4. **Actions to be taken during a flood**
 - A - Local flood volunteer actions

Community	Winterborne St Martin Parish Council
Address	clerk@winterbornestmartin-pc.gov.uk 07359 243559
Plan history	10 December 2019 27 Jan 2020 minor revision November 2020 no revision necessary November 2021 revision postponed until diversion flood risk resolved 27 Jan 2021 minor revisions 26 Feb 2023 Update of Council personnel

Local flood alert trigger: High water (clearance less than 150mm): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• under bridge east of Parish Office• under bridge at allotment/small holding west of Brewers Arms

EA flood alert registration: South Winterborne ground water, measured at Kingston Russell borehole.
--

<p>The purpose of this plan is to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. document the watercourse risk in residential areas;2. identify actions and sources of assistance in the event of a flood, and3. maintain a free and unimpeded watercourse with due regard for the environment. <p>It's intended audience is primarily the Parish Council, riparian owners and flood volunteers. It is a dynamic document that is updated annually prior to the November meeting of the Parish Council.</p>

1A – Roles and Contacts during a flood: Important telephone numbers

Organisation	Telephone (office hours)	Telephone (out of hours)	Role, website etc
Floodline	0345 988 1188	0345 9881188	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flooding-from-groundwater https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings
Environment Agency	Local Blandford office 0370 8506506	0800 807060	<p>Issues groundwater information and flood alerts. Receives and records details of all flooding incidents, monitors the situation and advises other organisations, responds to pollution incidents, advises householders on protection measures. Licenses alterations to main river banks and advises on current legislation regarding river management. Visit the EA website for flood information, guidance & warnings in local areas but DC are responsible for managing flood risk</p> <p>www.environment-agency.gov.uk https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/warnings</p> <p>DC hold responsibility for the South Winterbourne as it is a watercourse and no longer classed as a main river. The EA will only be interested in pollution or similar events, plus reporting.</p>
Dorset Council	01305 221000 Advice on flooding issues: 01305 225424 / 221837 Sandbags 01305 252479		<p>www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</p> <p>Lead Flood Authority for South Winterbourne.</p> <p>Brian Richards, Flood Risk Manager, Assets & Property Dorset Council</p> <p>DC are responsible for the South Winterbourne as it is classed as a watercourse rather than a river. They are responsible for the watercourse flood risk management and have permissive powers to enforce the laws relating to watercourses.</p> <p>Relevant legislation : The Public Health Act 1936. • The Land Drainage Acts of 1991 and 1994. • Water Resources Act 1991. • Environment Agency Land Drainage Byelaws 1981</p>
Dorset Council Highways	01305 221000.		<p>https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-gully--drain-or-flooding-issue</p> <p>Maintains safe conditions on the roads; puts flood warning signs on the highway and organises road closures/traffic diversions; clears blockages on highway drainage systems and culverts; and may take action to protect property from flooding by water from the highway where there is a failure of the highway drainage system.</p>

			<p>Martinstown – (east approach) – flood sign stored with sandbags at east end of parish office. Sign to be erected on grass area to east of parish office near turning to Ewe Leaze Farm</p> <p>Martinstown - (west approach) – flood sign stored as above. Sandbags at Brewers Arms. Sign to be erected on south side of road opposite new bridge to Church Farm about 15 metres from speed sign.</p>
Contractors	<p>Jon Buddle Tree Surgery</p> <p>01305 889982</p> <p>07775806488</p>		<p>Removal of tree limbs overhanging or fallen into stream. No contractual arrangements for stream clearance but may be able to provide chargeable service in an emergency</p>
Parish Council	07359 243559	07359 243559	<p>The Parish Council receives reports from the volunteer flood groups and any residents It maintains stocks of sandbags and emergency road signs provided by DC.</p> <p>Chair Mark Pemberton mvpcowleaze@gmail.com</p> <p>Clerk Marion Baird clerk@winterbornestmartin-pc.gov.uk</p>
Riparian Owners			<p>If a property is adjacent to, or borders a watercourse, or a watercourse runs through land privately owned, the owner of that property is known as a riparian owner. As a riparian owner, one assumes both rights and responsibilities upheld by legislation, laws and byelaws which govern activities within 8 metres from either bank, above or below the watercourse. Detailed information is set out in a booklet published by the Environment Agency (EA) called 'Living on the edge' which can be downloaded free of charge, or see https://www.gov.uk/guidance/owning-a-watercourse. Failing to abide by the contained in this booklet and web site could lead to legal action being taken against the riparian owner</p> <p>The EA expectations are summarised below:</p> <p>Riparian Owners should enable unimpeded flow of water through their property by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensuring vegetation and trees are kept under control (particularly highly invasive species Himalayan Balsam, Giant Hogweed, Ragwort, Fools water-cress, Common Reed, Willow herb) • maintaining existing trees, and not allowing new trees or shrubs on the banks without permission from EA; • not allowing branches or other debris to obstruct the watercourse • not allowing object matter, vegetation, fallen branches to drift along the watercourse; • accepting flood flows through your land; • keeping banks, culverts, trash screens/traps etc. clear of debris; • maintain the quality and quantity of water flowing onwards

Adjacent Town/Parish Councils	Winterbourne Abbas/Steepleton Group 01305 889411	clerk@winterbourneabbassteepleton-pc.gov.uk	https://www.winterbourneabbassteepleton-pc.gov.uk/ Clerk - Mr S Slade Chair - Richard Crumblehome
	Winterbourne Farrington Group 01305 534661	winterbornefarrington@dors-et-aptc.gov.uk	https://www.dt3web.co.uk/wfpc Clerk Mr A Harrison Chair Ms Jenny Webster. Vice Chair Mr Charles Norman
	Dorset Councillor 01305 62359 07543288636		http://moderngov.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=437 cllrroland.tarr@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
Animals	RSPCA Weymouth 01305 259672		www.westdorsetrspca.org
Elderly	AGE UK Dorchester 01305 269444		www.ageuk.org
Hospital	01305 251150		www.dch.org
Magna Housing	01305 214027		magna.org.uk
Stress/Anxiety	Freephone 116123		www.samaritans.org
South Winterbourne Community Flood Action Group			swcfag@gmail.com https://sites.google.com/site/swcfag/ Chair: Richard Crumblehome Following intervention by WSMPC is no longer considered part of SWCFAG
Water Company	Wessex Water Water Supply 0345 6004600		Removal of ground water from sewer system Clearance of blockages in public drains

	Drainage & Sewerage 0345 8505959		Wessex Water have not extracted water from the aquifer under the valley since 2014 The EA usually advise WW to cease water addition when ground water levels rise at the Kingston Russell bore hole.
Electricity Company	National Grid Electricity Infrastructure only 0800 404090 National Grid Power cuts 103		https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity-transmission/network-and-infrastructure/electricity-emergencies-and-safety-advice https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity-transmission/contact-us/power-cuts
Gas Company	Southern Gas Networks (SGN) Emergency 0800 111999		Gas infrastructure only
Telecommunications Company	BT Openreach 0800 023 2023 (option 1)		Responsible for telecoms infrastructure only. Subscriber services are the responsibility of individual resident contracts.
Fire & Rescue Service	999 for emergencies 0306 7990019 for non- emergencies		
Police	999 for emergencies 101 for non- emergencies		
Ambulance Service	999 for emergencies		

1B – Local flood volunteers

Volunteers should be registered on the Environment Agency's Flood Line Warnings Direct service so they receive the advance flood alerts. It is best to have volunteers who are not riparian owners as they may be distracted by their own issues. Volunteers must not put their own safety at risk.

Flood volunteers have no statutory responsibility; they are simply community helpers that are attached a particularly area of the watercourse. They will, help with flood warning dissemination; have access to appropriate signs which will be deployed as necessary; liaise with the Parish Council, monitor blockages within the river system and provide information where required; provide help and advice where needed; help to provide assistance to vulnerable people where possible.

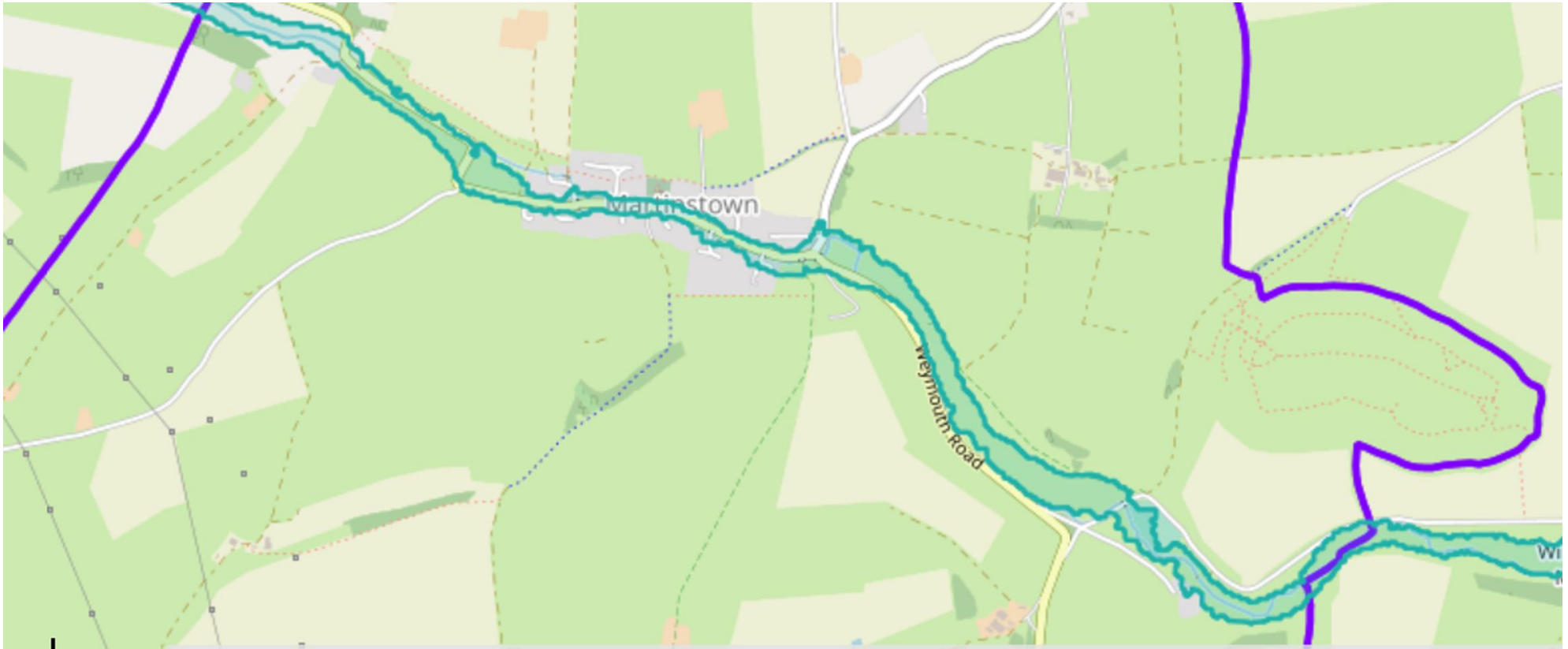
Name	Address	Telephone / Mobile	Email	Role
Karen Delafield	Washing Pool House DT2 9LD	01305 889301/07796838416	kdelafield@winterbornestmartin-pc.gov.uk	Parish Council Rep & contact
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 8 Rew Manor West
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 9 Rew Manor East Stream junction only
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 10 West
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 11 Centre West
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 12 Centre East
Volunteer				Flood Vol, Area 13 East

2A - Winterborne St Martin CP flood zone: Map showing direction of flooding

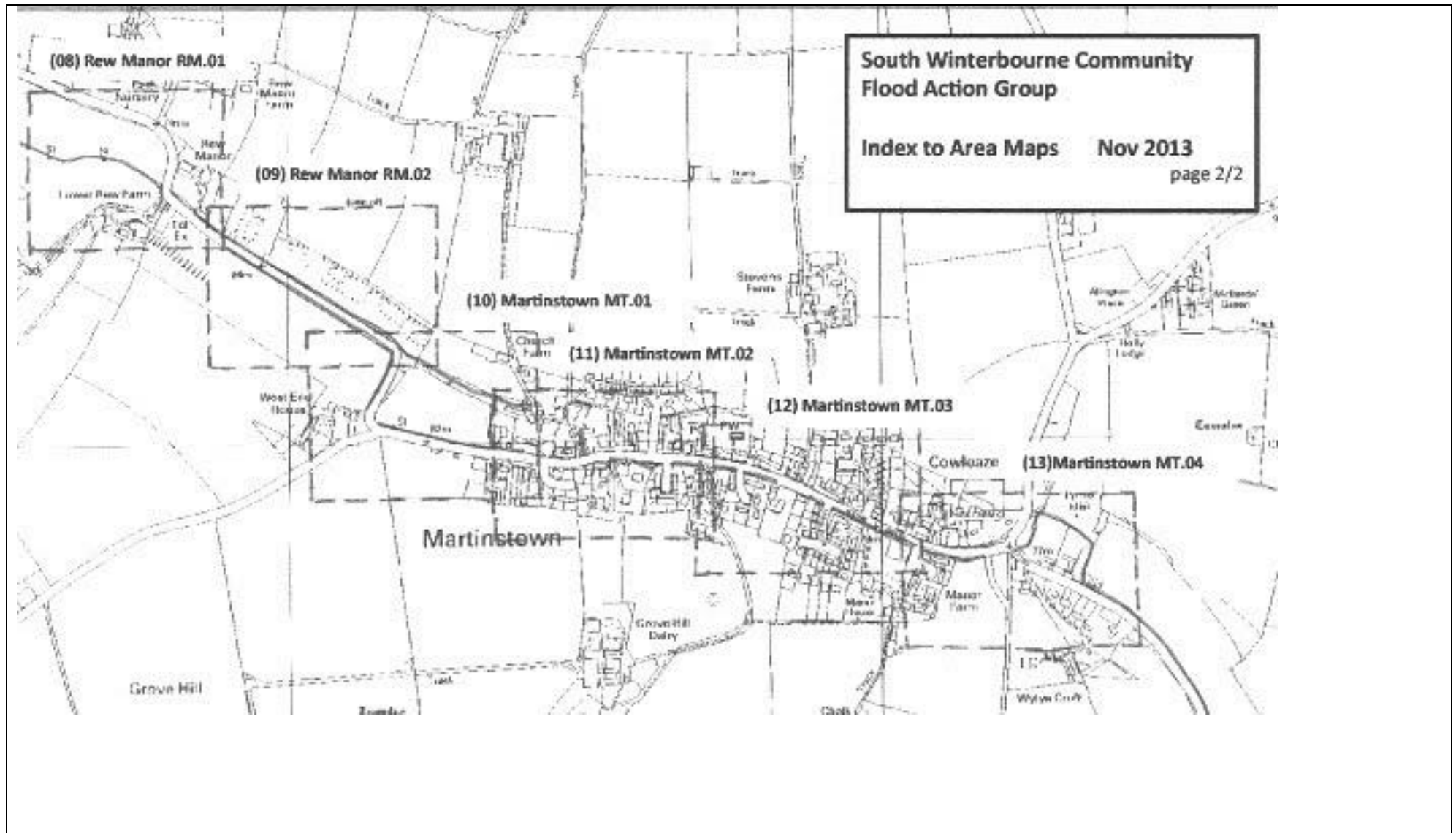
Areas officially prone to flooding – blue

Winterborne St Martin CP boundaries – purple

South Winterbourne flows North West to South West



2B – Winterborne St Martin CP detailed flood management maps





Rew Manor West 08



Rew Manor east 09



Martinstown west 10



Martinstown centre west 11



Martinstown centre east 12

Martinstown east 13



3A – Issues to consider for resolution before a flood: Locations at risk of flooding / source of flooding

Area number	Location at risk	Source of flooding	Direction of flooding
Area 08 Rew Manor West	Junction of North Rew Lane Below Rew Manor	Surface water run-off from lane discharges into B3159 road and gullies This section of road is low & floods as there is little height above the watercourse levels	South
Area 09 Rew Manor East	None identified	Piped run-off to and overflow to roadside watercourse; disused sluice Flow to WP and road-side stream needs documented monitoring and adjustment to ensure proper balance and minimise flood risk to either channel.	On to B3159 or excess flow to WP
Area 10 Martinstown West	At northernmost watercourse bend	Stream bifurcation with 225mm diameter corrugated plastic pipe (without a gully) presumed to discharge downstream of culvert? Prone to frequent blockages causing road flooding. Pipe direct water from west east flow to roadside. West east channel overflow to roadside. North South watercourse by new Church farm access road shown on map has now been diverted into plastic pipe. Very low bridge leading to allotments/smallholding	South
Area 11 Martinstown Centre West	Grove Hill road bridge Rectory bridge Brewers Arms bridge under B3159 Washing Pool watercourse	Low bridges restricting flow Gulleys under B3159 get blocked with silt Narrow channels leading to WP with heavy silting due to agricultural land run off	NSEW
Area 12 Martinstown Centre East	Manor House access bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage B3159 either side of Manor Grove, camber prevents surface water draining	Low bridge restricting flow Poor road drainage	NSEW
Area 13 Martinstown East	Turnpike House Rear of Parish Office Ewe Leaze Farm access road – low bridge	Low banks which overflow Agricultural land with excess run-off forming seasonal ponds Low bridge restricting flow	North

	DC owned land around the Pump House not maintained	Debris in watercourse	
--	--	-----------------------	--

3B – Locations at higher risk of flooding

Area number	Location of risk	Trigger level	Actions
Area 08 Rew Manor West	Identified by SWCFAG survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junction of North Rew Lane – surface water run-off from lane discharges into B3159 road and gullies Below Rew Manor -This section of road is low & floods as there is little height above the watercourse levels. Possible solution is to increase the height of the road surface, this was suggested to DCC when the bridge was reconstructed in 2013 	Water on B3159	Alert Dorset Council as LFA Alert Dorset Council Highways
Area 09 Rew Manor East	None identified by SWCFAG or DC survey	Excess water on road or excess flow to Washing Pool	Adjust informal overflow to balance flow
Area 10 Martinstown West	Only partially surveyed by SWCFAG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At northernmost watercourse bend - 225mm diameter corrugated plastic pipe (without a gully) presumed to discharge downstream of culvert? Prone to frequent blockages causing road flooding. DC survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purbeck House bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage Other Narrow channels leading to WP	Water on B3159	Alert Dorset Council as LFA Alert Dorset Council Highways Alert riparian owners
Area 11 Martinstown Centre West	Not surveyed by SWCFAG Identified by DC survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grove Hill Road bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage Rectory bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage Brewers Arms bridge under B3159 has restricted flow and risk of blockage Other Under road gullies by Brewers Arms frequent sand/silt build up	Water backing up by a bridge	Alert riparian owners Alert Dorset Council as LFA Alert Dorset Council Highways Alert adjacent residents Erect Flood Warning road signs Martinstown – (east approach) – flood sign stored with sandbags at east end of parish office. Sign to

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broken sewer pipes allow ground water ingress and overflow 	Water seeping from manhole covers in road	<p>be erected on grass area to east of parish office near turning to Ewe Leaze Farm</p> <p>Martinstown - (west approach) – flood sign stored as above. Sign to be erected on south side of road opposite new bridge to Church Farm about 15 metres from speed sign.</p> <p>Alert Wessex Water, obtain incident report number</p>
Area 12 Martinstown Centre East	<p>Not surveyed by SWCFAG</p> <p>Identified by DC survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manor House access bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage B3159 either side of Manor Grove, camber prevents surface water draining <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broken sewer pipes allow ground water ingress and overflow 	<p>Water backing up by bridge</p> <p>Water pooling on B3159</p> <p>Water seeping from manhole covers in road</p>	<p>Alert Dorset Council as LFA</p> <p>Alert Dorset Council Highways</p> <p>Alert adjacent residents</p> <p>Erect Flood Warning road signs</p> <p>Martinstown – (east approach) – flood sign stored with sandbags at east end of parish office. Sign to be erected on grass area to east of parish office near turning to Ewe Leaze Farm</p> <p>Martinstown - (west approach) – flood sign stored as above. Sign to be erected on south side of road opposite new bridge to Church Farm about 15 metres from speed sign.</p> <p>Alert Wessex Water, obtain incident report number</p>
Area 13 Martinstown East	<p>Not surveyed by SWCFAG</p> <p>Identified by DC survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turnpike House – low banks which overflow Rear of Parish Office – agricultural land excess run-off forms pools 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ewe Leaze Farm access road – low bridge restricting waterflow <p>Other indicators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> East Lodge junction (C53/B3159) – ditches at capacity with flowing water on C53 east side, surface water flowing down road from Batts Lane Parish Office. Very large ponds of water formed in agricultural land at rear Park Farm House pumping water from its basement 	<p>Water backing up by bridge</p>	<p>Alert Dorset Council as LFA Alert Dorset Council Highways Alert adjacent residents</p> <p>Erect Flood Warning road signs</p> <p>Martinstown – (east approach) – flood sign stored with sandbags at east end of parish office. Sign to be erected on grass area to east of parish office near turning to Ewe Leaze Farm</p> <p>Martinstown - (west approach) – flood sign stored as above. Sign to be erected on south side of road opposite new bridge to Church Farm about 15 metres from speed sign.</p>
--	---	-----------------------------------	---

3C – Actions to be taken during a flood: local flood actions

Area number	Location at risk	Action / trigger	Local action	Equipment required	Time required
Area 08 Rew Manor West	Junction of North Rew Lane Below Rew Manor	Water on B3159	Alert Dorset Council Erect Flood Warning road signs	Martinstown - (west approach) – flood sign stored as above. Sandbags at Brewers Arms. Sign to be erected on south side of road opposite new bridge to Church Farm about 15 metres from speed sign.	1 hour
Area 09 Rew Manor East	Stream junction	Water on B3159 Flooding in water meadow or excess water in Washing Pool channels	Alert Dorset Council Erect Flood Warning road signs	Alert FVs and rebalance flow at informal weir. A log of inspection visits and changes to be maintained,	1-2 hours
Area 10 Martinstown West	At northernmost watercourse bend	Water on B3159	Erect Flood Warning road signs Alert Dorset Council	As above	1 hour
Area 11 Martinstown Centre West	Grove Hill road bridge Rectory bridge Brewers Arms bridge under B3159	Water backing up by a bridge	Erect Flood Warning road signs Alert Dorset Council	As above	1 hour
Area 12 Martinstown Centre East	Manor House access bridge has restricted flow and risk of blockage B3159 either side of Manor Grove, camber prevents surface water draining	Water backing up by bridge Water pooling on B3159	Erect Flood Warning road signs Alert Dorset Council	Martinstown – (east approach) – flood sign stored with sandbags at east end of parish office. Sign to be erected on grass area to east of parish office near turning to Ewe Leaze Farm	1 hour
Area 13 Martinstown East	Turnpike House Rear of Parish Office Ewe Leaze Farm access road – low bridge Pump House	Water backing up by bridge Water failing to exit village	Erect Flood Warning road signs Alert Dorset Council	As above	