

From: June Avery  
Sent: 07 January 2016 18:13  
To: Programme Officer  
Subject: Flooding in Maghull and Lydiate on Boxing Day

Dear Carmel,

Please see the attached photographs of recent flooding in Maghull and Lydiate. Although the amount of rainfall here and in other parts of the north west was exceptional it has led to a broader national discussion about flood defences, the consequences of building homes on flood plains and whether flooding on this scale should still be referred to as a "1 in 100" year event.

I know drainage issues relating to specific sites have already been addressed by Mr Pike during the examination process. However given these exceptional circumstances I would respectfully request that time is allocated on Friday 15th January under any other matters to discuss the cumulative impact of building so many homes in Maghull and Lydiate when evidence suggests that the current drainage system would struggle to cope with additional pressures.

Another consideration must be a press report in the Maghull Champion dated 6th January. The Environment Agency plans to turn off the Alt / Crossens flood- prevention pumps in 2017 due to a lack of funding. The National Farmers Union is warning that without an alternative solution areas between Hesketh Bank and Great Altcar will be at risk of flooding. They are calling on the Local Authority to support their proposal to set up an Internal Drainage Board. Is Sefton Council in a position to commit funding to this proposal?

June Avery  
on behalf of the Maghull and Lydiate Action Group

## Maghull and Lydiate floods Boxing day 2015



Sefton lane maghull



A59 liverpool rd South / Dover road

Sefton Lane Maghull



Pedestrian bridge over Dovers    Dovers Brook in full flood looking north from Sefton Lane Brook became a river itself



Dovers Brook where Sefton Lane becomes Bridges Lane – The houses were about to be inundated



Cop car goes for a paddle at The Meadows



Lambshear Lane, Lydiate



Moss Lane, Lydiate



Hall Lane, Maghull



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A raging Whinney Brook at Ormonde Drive, Maghull





Coppull Road Lydiate