



**KEY POINTS AND ACTIONS ARISING FROM BOURNE SUB CATCHMENT
MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING
10th September 2012.**

HELD AT THE BOURNE VALLEY INN, ST MARY BOURNE.

PRESENT:	Pete Shaw (Chair)	PS	-	University of Southampton
	Steve Rothwell	SDR	-	Vitacress Salads
	Tim Nevard	TN	-	VCT
	Alison Graham-Smith	AGS	-	Natural England
	Peter Evans	PE	-	Advisor to SMB Parish Council
	William Daniel	WD	-	Famous Fishing
	Matthew Simpson Trust	MS	-	WWT [Wildfowl & Wetlands (Consulting) Ltd]
	Beatriz Lopez	BL	-	Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust (Consulting) Ltd
	Gwen Isaacs (Minutes)	GI	-	University of Southampton

1. APOLOGIES:	Gail Taylor	GT	-	University of Southampton
	Rue Ekins	RE	-	Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust
	Paul Barry-Walsh	PBW	-	Fredericks Foundation
	Sarah Lynes	SL	-	Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust.
	Shirley Medgett	SM	-	Environmental Agency
	Michael Malyon	MM	-	Riparian Owner
	Henry du Val de Beaulieu	HVB	-	Apsley Farms
	Serena Leadlay	SL	-	Natural England
	Bridget Culley	BC	-	SMB Parish Council (SMPC)
	Bob Wellard	BW	-	Piscatorial Society

2. 'HABITAT ENHANCEMENT ON THE BOURNE' – WWT PRESENTATION.

BL presented the WWT presentation 'Pre-feasibility study for a wetland on the Bourne Rivulet'.

[ACTION Gwen Isaacs \(GI\) - to circulate WWT's report to the BRI group.](#)

Note: This presentation plus WWT's final report were emailed to the BRI group on 13/9/12 by GI.

The meeting discussed the presentation. PE and WD said they hadn't been included in the consultation, however, BL said an email had been sent to all BRI members. BL advised the WWT concluded a wetland would be a desirable feature below the viaduct. PE felt upstream could help local recharge and address a short term discontinuity of flow as the Bourne dries each year. WD felt this could be of value to trout migrating down stream as it dried. TN concerned it was not sustainable to pump to a wetland . SDR suggested a down stream wetland could accommodate a screened overflow from the SW pumping station when overwhelmed. WD felt Southern Water was responsible for preventing ground water entry to sewer in first place..

The meeting agreed that a Hydrogeological Survey would be useful in determining whether location of proposed wetland should be upstream or downstream. MS from WWT said that they use a hydrogeological organisation to carry out surveys. His contact was Alastair Morris.

[ACTION William Daniel \(WD\) and Alastair Morris - to make contact to discuss carrying out a hydrogeological survey.](#)

The meeting suggested that SDR should write a strongly worded letter, in conjunction with the Parish Council to Southern Water.

[ACTION Steve Rothwell \(SDR\) - to lobby Southern Water into action re sewage treatment.](#)

The Bright Water group was thought to be a very useful local forum and should also lobby Southern Water.

3. ROAD DRAIN AND SILT TRAP

This was discussed at the last meeting and concerned the road drain at the bottom of the Harrow Way at Chapmansford (taking the runoff from the HGV/traffic erosion of verges on the road towards Andover/Amesbury). AGS said that the Highways Authority will clear the drain and silt trap if a member of the public requests this. It should be done within 8 weeks from the request being received. The meeting agreed that Michael Malyon (MM) was the best person to make this request.

[ACTION SDR to ask Michael Malyon \(MM\) - to make request to the Highways Authority to clear drains and silt trap . See <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/roads/all-forms>](#)

[ACTION Gwen Isaacs \(GI\) - to circulate the email from Serena Leadlay who could not attend the meeting.](#)

Note: This was done on the 12th and 13th Sept.

4. UPDATE ON ELECTRO FISHING

PS circulated his latest Electro fishing report. Surveys were done in April this year when the water levels were low. Next batch of surveys will be done the week after next.

WD suggested that he could inform rods that it would be useful if they fed back statistics on fish caught. PS specified key measurements.

PS will liaise with WD re carrying out surveys on his rivers.

5. BOURNE OIL SPILL

SDR summarised the events which led up to the oil spill into the Bourne. As a result of the spill, new procedures have been drawn up. Furthermore an independent environmental consultant, Rob Murdoch has carried out a review of all chemical storage and handling procedures on site and across all Vitacress UK businesses. There was discussion on whether the generator oil tank was double bunded.

6. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR HYDROGEOLOGICAL SURVEY/ AQUATERRA REPORT

PS said that the critique from him and Derek Clark would be included in the report. PE asked for the report to be circulated.

[ACTION Pete Shaw \(PS\) - to circulate the critique to the BRI group](#)

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion took place on which website would be better to put information about the phosphate work. The Bright Water website was thought to be a better site than the university hosted BRI one.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

[ACTION Gwen Isaacs \(GI\) - to arrange date for the next BRI meeting.](#)