

Just before I start I would like to confirm that this statement is from all my surrounding neighbours.

Apologies, but it is a very emotional situation for me and my family, as we have been flooded twice (October 2001 and June 2007) and looted. During both times we were unable to live in our house for a year each time whilst drying and repair works were carried out.

A flood defence scheme has been constructed to cover the surrounding location but the area is still prone to flooding. As recently as 2nd July 2020 there was a foot of standing water on Helions Road for over two hours. We are still receiving regular flooding warnings telling us to take immediate action and be prepared to leave our property as flooding is imminent .

Flood warnings were issued on:

16/02/2020
15/01/2020
20/12/2019
13/12/2019
02/04/2019

The environment agency has previously confirmed that they class this application as flood zone one. This is based on the current flood models which. I have been informed by the same department in Environment Agency that they know the data used by flood model for this site is inaccurate . They have also confirmed that they are currently in the process of urgently updating the data to provide a correct model for the River Stour and this would likely change the flood zones in the future for this site.

The Environment Agency also confirmed they are concerned with the impact that the lowering of the ground levels may have on flood risk climate change for this site.

I have also attached a document dated the 28th September 2020 from the UK Gov website,
<https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/>,

that clearly shows that this planning site is in zone three and as such requires a flood risk assessment..

I am not against the development of the site but I and all my fellow residences expect that a full flood risk assessment is completed by the developer to ensure that the proposed development and surrounding area is not subject to an increased risk of flooding.

Flood map for planning

Your reference
4 Helions Roa

Location (easting/northing)
567458/240949

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Your selected location is in flood zone 3, an area with a high probability of flooding.

This means:

- you must complete a flood risk assessment for development in this area
- you should follow the Environment Agency's standing advice for carrying out a flood risk assessment (see www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-assessment-standing-advice)

Notes

The flood map for planning shows river and sea flooding data only. It doesn't include other sources of flooding. It is for use in development planning and flood risk assessments.

This information relates to the selected location and is not specific to any property within it. The map is updated regularly and is correct at the time of printing.

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Flood map for planning

Your reference
4 Helions Roa

Location (easting/northing)
567458/240949

Scale
1:2500

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-  Selected point
-  Flood zone 3
-  Flood zone 3: areas benefitting from flood defences
-  Flood zone 2
-  Flood zone 1
-  Flood defence
-  Main river
-  Flood storage area

