

Cogges Link Road **does not deliver on** **FLOODING**

1. Be under no misapprehension, this is a **MAJOR** concern for the residents of Witney. Look at the picture titled 'Witney Meadows Country Park' and see that this is, without doubt, a **FLOODPLAIN that FLOODS.**
2. The CD that accompanies this Fact File is entitled '**What really did happen downstream of Bridge Street, Witney, during the July 2007 floods.**' We strongly recommend that this short, but powerful presentation is viewed and understood.
3. On January 13rd **2009** the Environment Agency wrote to Oxfordshire County Council identifying where, **even at this late stage,** flood risk and drainage levels were **still not fully mitigated** and therefore would not be granted EA approval.

Quote from EA letter to OCC dated 13th January 2009, copy included in this report.

Condition

"The development permitted by this planning permission shall only be carried out in accordance with a revised flood risk assessment which shall include the following:

The content of the Flood Risk Assessment B0834600/Doc/PA/CLR/08 dated October 2008 and Mitigation Proposals B0834600 'Impact of CLR on Floods Rev 1 January 2009', and;
Additional detail of compensatory flood storage on the site to a 1% plus climate change standard."

Reason

"To prevent the increased risk of flooding to property by ensuring that compensatory storage of flood water is provided, in accordance with PPS25, Oxfordshire Structure plan Policy EN9 and West Oxfordshire Local Plan Policy NE9."

As at February 2nd these documents (underlined) were still not available to view on-line.

There is an alternative – the Shores Green 4-way junction

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