Chetwynd Parish Council

Extract from email from Telford & Wrekin Council re flooding in Sambrook received 17 November 2020

I believe the landowner has done some temporary works adjacent to 9 Sambrook but we also have a short term proposal to upgrade the gully to the east side of 9 Holly Cottage. While this will help the gully to cope better under high flows, it will not stop the flooding or address the source of the water.

We have also secured some additional funding to investigate the private drainage systems in Sambrook and understand how the village and adjacent land drains away, as well as engaging with the landowners. This will include identifying the capacity of the downstream land drainage (understood to take drainage from the village, highways and surrounding land) to work out if this has been a contributing factor to the flooding, alongside high levels of agricultural runoff and overwhelmed drainage.

Once we understand the capacity of the drainage system outfall, we will be looking at options for the wider drainage network, as addressing the flooding is not something we are able to do by just looking at the highways in isolation. This is not something we currently have budget for, so we will then need to look into securing budget for any physical works.

For information, the highway gullies were also cleaned last week as part of their scheduled cleansing.