



Finance, Smart City and City Management Policy and Scrutiny Committee

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Report of:	Thames Water
Cabinet Member Portfolio	City Management
Wards Involved:	Abbey Road, Bayswater, Lancaster Gate, Little Venice, Maida Vale

1. Executive Summary

This report is an interim report following flooding events in north Westminster in July 2021. The review report is expected in early 2022.

2. Key Matters for the Committee's Consideration

Heavy rainfall on 12 and 25 July resulted in flash flooding. On 12 July, more than a month's worth of rain fell in an hour. On 25 July, a month's worth of rain fell in two hours. The Met Office reported that the 'return period' (the likelihood of such a storm happening) for the storms on 12 July was between once in 101 to 179 years.

Thames Water estimated that 138 properties in Westminster were flooded 12 July and 11 on 25 July (figures as at 9th September). Thames Water is working with Westminster City Council and the London Fire Brigade to identify whether any further properties were flooded.

APPENDIX:

Thames Water interim briefing report

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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