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Dear Resident

### **Sanway-Byfleet Flood Alleviation Scheme update**

We would like to update you on progress on the Sanway-Byfleet scheme.

As you know, we ran a public engagement event in March 2021. We received lots of useful comments and have continued to develop the project taking this feedback into account.

We have been carrying out various surveys to fine tune the design of the scheme. For example, in the area behind 55 to 101 Fullerton Road, our habitats survey revealed bats roosting in some large trees on the route of the proposed flood defence embankment. There are also some other large trees that we want to protect. We have developed alternative flood defence proposals for the directly-affected residents to consider and this has caused a delay to the proposed autumn engagement. In addition, we are also improving our overall scheme proposals to take account of other issues that have emerged over the last couple of months.

Once we have feedback from our discussions with Fullerton Road residents and have developed the overall scheme proposals a bit further, we will run a wider engagement event with the whole community and other stakeholders. In the meantime, we will keep you informed about project progress.

It remains the case that for the scheme to be delivered, it must be fully approved and with the correct planning permission. The partnership funding must also be in place, where currently there is a shortfall. The Environment Agency is working with other partners, including Woking Borough Council and Surrey County Council, to seek this additional funding.

We will continue to keep you updated on progress and hope to meet you all soon, whether virtually or in person.

In the meantime, the website for further information and the scheme email address are:

[https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/thames/sanway-byfleet-flood-alleviation-scheme/  
thm.schemes@environment-agency.gov.uk](https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/thames/sanway-byfleet-flood-alleviation-scheme/thm.schemes@environment-agency.gov.uk)

Yours faithfully



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