

# Information sheet

## Upton upon Severn – update on cracks in road

### Background

During site investigation works on Monday 14 June for the flood alleviation scheme, work was stopped due to cracks appearing in the road along the waterside in Upton upon Severn.

Worcestershire County Council Highways, Malvern Hills District Council, Severn Trent Water and the Environment Agency co-ordinated an immediate investigation into the cause. The road was officially closed by the Highway Authority under their emergency powers due to public safety concerns.

Severn Trent Water have completed the repairs to the sewer. Worcestershire Highways have sealed the road and filled the surface cracks in order to prevent the situation from worsening in the event of rain.

A pedestrian walkway has been created along Waterside outside The Swan public house to allow access to the building and Waterside area, however a short stretch of road has not been re-opened to traffic.

### Update on situation as of 24 August

- All partners are working together to ensure the situation is addressed as quickly as possible to minimise disruption and impact to the town.
- Monitoring of the road is continuing to check for any movement.
- Worcestershire County Council are currently working on measures required to stabilise the road and continuing to gather data.
- An engineering assessment has been made and all partners have agreed a revised method of deploying the temporary flood barriers along Waterside. A section of flood barrier will be manually erected. There will be additional monitoring of Waterside during deployment that will continue after river levels have subsided.

### For further information

Worcestershire Hub Contact Centre on 01905 765765 (Monday to Friday 8am - 8pm, Saturday 9am - 5pm).

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