## BATTLESBRIDGE

# Report on flooding issues for the Flood Forum following a site visit on 16/6/2021.

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#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

In the absence of detailed information, this area was removed from the Flood Forum agenda. Since then, I have been in contact with a local farmer with details of the flooding problems and he has provided a diagram of the drainage systems associated with Chelmsford Road and Beeches Road junction (attached to this report). I also gained further information from meeting with the resident of 1 Timber Wharf Cottages.

#### 2 TIMBER WHARF COTTAGES

The resident indicated that there was a pipe running across the open area in front of the property, in to pipes and a ditch running to the side of the house and discharging into the marshy area behind the cottages. This does not accord with the information shown on the map and I suspect is a separate drainage system. The pipes I saw were of small diameter and unlikely to be of a suitable capacity for the road drainage.

The resident said he had noticed a reluctance for the marsh area to drain since the development of the Goat Farm (Essex Boer Goat Herd, Rainbows End, Beeches Road, Rawreth, Wickford, SS11 8TG).

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SULS BRITILES BRIDGE KEY TO MAP OPEN DITCHS . PIPED DRAINS 0 OPEN GULLEYS. DIRECTION OF FLOW PAPE RUNNING UNDER RUNINS GOOSE COTTAGES BROKEN AND BLOCKED, CONTINUES UNDER CHELTLS FORD ROAD TO GPEN DITCH (a) . 2) ARED BY ECC (50YRS?) BY PERMISSION OF LAND OWNER TO HEADWALL (CANNOT FIND OUTLET) BLOCKED GULLEY UNDER ROAD- BUTLET BELOW LEVEL OF DITCH (6) (4) SILTED BRICK ARCH GULLEY UNDER ROAD BELOW LEVEL OF DITCH (6) 5 FIELD FLOODED EVERY WINTER BECAUSE GULLEYS AND DITCH SILTED AND BLOCKED, 6) DITCH SILTED BECAUSE GULLEY UNDER TIMBERWHART IS POSSIBLY TOO HIGH ?? . 3 DITCH SILTED WITH OVERGROWN VEGETATION . APE UNDER GARDENS SILTING WATER BACKING OF CAUSING SILTING AT (2) & AND FLOODING GARDON AT NO. 1 TI TBERWHARF FLOW INTERUPTED AT GOAT FARM CAUSING ABOUE BORROW DITCH WAS PIPED SO RESTRICTING FLOW. Ingionally there was an open wile borrow ditch aining the area aroud to the culvert rear Barn in SE corner of marsh. SILTATION OF OUT FALLINTO MAIN RIVER