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Examination of Site Allocations Three Rivers District Council Local Development Document

Housing Site Allocation Wednesday 30th October - 59 to 99 Ebury Road

The Rickmansworth and District Residents Association (The Association) strongly objects to the proposed inclusion of the former allotment garden site to the Housing Site list.

The land, former private allotments – see attached plan 1 – lies to the rear gardens of 59 to 99 Ebury Road and to the south by the Town Ditch and to the east by garages of the Goral Mead estate. The Environment Agency have categorised the whole area – see attached plan 2 – as subject to significant risk of flooding.

The Association grounds for objection are that:

1. The land be retained either for allotment use and or open space as its development would significantly increase the extent of flooding to adjacent properties
2. Any development could impact on the Town Ditch's fundamental purpose to provide drainage to central Rickmansworth. The impact of a reduced flow would be a danger to properties bounded by Ebury Road, Riverside Drive, Batchworth roundabout and the River Chess. – see attached plan.
3. The only access to the site, and indeed the public allotments is by footpath, which cannot not be upgraded for vehicular access.

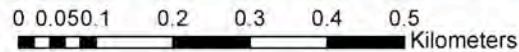
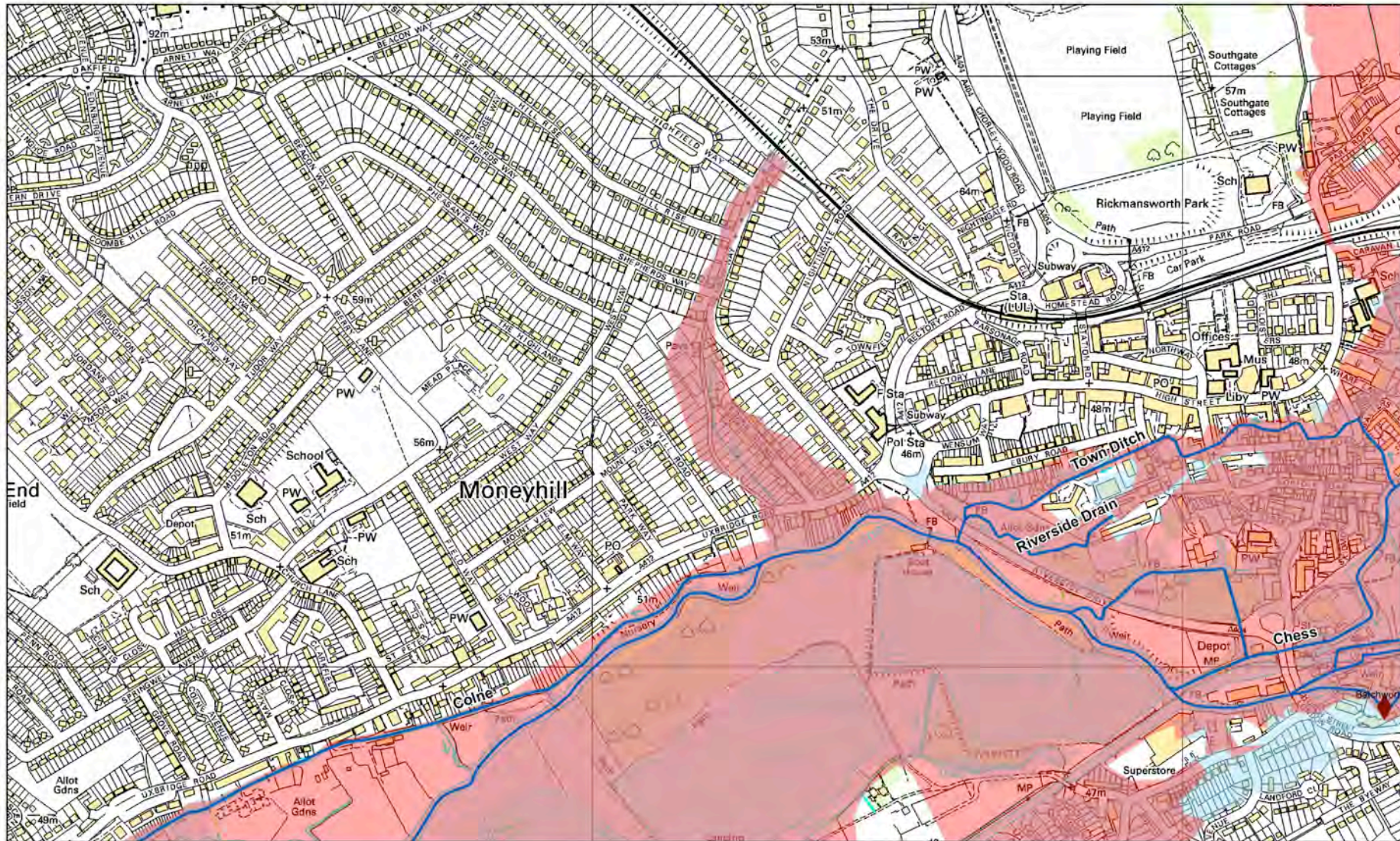
Yours faithfully

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Are YOU at Risk of Flooding? Map 3



- Key**
- Telemetry_Sites
 - Main rivers
 - FWAs
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 - Areas at risk of flooding (1 in 1000year probability)



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