

The Land Drainage Advisory Group on 24 January 2006 recommended to Cabinet that,

- (a) no action be taken at Covell's Drain until after the study by the Environment Agency has been completed,
- (b) the Environment Agency be urged to fast-track the study of the Covell's Drain area,
- (c) the Environment Agency be urged to carry out the study based on the existing state of the flood defences and protection in the area (not just the immediate area of Covell's Drain),
- (d) the Environment Agency be urged to consult with all interested parties to ensure that local knowledge informs the study,
- (e) Members reconsider the work required to Covell's Drain once the study has been satisfactorily completed.

**Cabinet is requested to consider whether the recommendation should be referred to full Council.**