

Rushcliffe Borough Council – Scrutiny Request

Councillor Request for Scrutiny		
Councillor Tina Combellack		
Proposed topic of scrutiny ...	Rushcliffe Flood Risk Update	
<p>I would like to explore ...</p> <p>It is helpful to include why you feel this topic requires scrutiny, what concerns you, what concerns are being raised with you, and how scrutiny will lead to better outcomes or services to residents.</p>	<p>Since the last flooding scrutiny report in October 2020 a number of further adverse weather and flooding incidents have occurred and I would like to understand if Rushcliffe's overall flood risk has increased over this period, where the latest areas of concern are and what action could be taken to reduce their risk and by whom. I am aware that considerable flood mitigation work was done in a number of locations as a result of Ruth Edwards MP Flood Action plan in 2021 however from my own ward experience there still appears to be shortcoming in terms of the maintenance of key infrastructure resulting in floods occurring. This in turn puts pressure on RBC's scarce resources when they have to respond to flooding incidents with sandbags etc when these events occur.</p> <p>In addition to better understanding the current flood risk across the borough the scrutiny process will also provide a timely reminder to local cllrs and residents of the other agencies roles in flooding including the County Council as lead flood authority, STWA, TVIDB, and EA.</p> <p>Flooding is only going to get worse and we need to evaluate the risk and be prepared.</p>	
I think this topic should be scrutinised because ... (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> *	Poor Performance Identified
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in Legislation or Local Policy
	<input type="checkbox"/> *	Resident Concern or Interest
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cabinet Recommendation
	<input type="checkbox"/> *	Links to the Corporate Strategy
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please state reason) Risk assessment and preparation

<p>What outcomes are you seeking from this scrutiny?</p>	<p>A better understanding of the overall flood risk in the borough and the areas of concern where residents need to be aware to take appropriate precautions.</p> <p>Public reassurance of any work that can be undertaken and by whom to better protect residents and their property and that we have raised awareness with the other outside bodies and authority.</p> <p>An improvement in performance and integration between responsible authorities in areas of greater flood risk to either take appropriate mitigating actions or to support homes and businesses in these areas to improve their flood resilience.</p>
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Collaboration

Matrix developed in conjunction with officers?

Yes

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Officer Request for Scrutiny

Catherine Evans, Head of Economic Growth and Property

Proposed topic of scrutiny ...

East Midlands Freeport (EMF)

I would like to explore ...

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EMF has been established since March 2023, it incorporates 3 sites one of which is Ratcliffe on Soar Powerstation.

Councillors would like to understand:

- Overview of Freeports and their role and incentives etc for businesses
- EMF vision for Freeport sites as a whole and then specifically the ROS site

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified plan for the delivery of the vision and timeline to achieve this • How EMF are working with partners e.g. EMCCA, Uniper to support delivery of the vision • How EMF are and plan to engage local communities • How RBC can support to ensure we maximise the benefits of the site for the local community e.g. jobs and skills. • Risks and issues
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What outcomes are you seeking from this scrutiny?	Greater understanding of the Freeport and its governance structure, impact of the development locally and timescales.

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