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Dear Ms Zammett

INFRASTRUCTURE FLOOD RISK FROM RIVER RODING, WANSTEAD

Thank you for your letter of 19 December regarding my previous correspondence with Harry Cohen MP which you also received.

I can assure you that we take flood risk very seriously. The overall emergency planning and response to an incident is a joint effort between the members of the Local Resilience Forum. It is necessary to direct enquiries to the appropriate forum member to ensure the best response and in this instance, your enquiry is most relevant to the local authority. Therefore unfortunately I can only be of limited assistance in this particular matter.

You may be interested to contact the Redbridge Flood Action Group which was set up by residents affected by flooding in 2000. They aim to represent the concerns of all the residents affected by the River Roding in your area and give help and advice to people before and after a flood. The chair of the group is Mr Richard Cooper and can be contacted on 020 8989 1054 or redbridge_allots@yahoo.com.

I have enclosed a map of the area at risk of flooding from the River Roding in your locality as requested. The area shaded on the map labelled *Flood Zone 2* has a probability of 0.1% of flooding in any given year. This flood extent was built using the best information that is currently available and is indicative of a worst case scenario. There is no information or mapping available for surface water flooding (highway drainage) but it is something we're working on with the local authority.

Our involvement in managing flood risk is confined to the areas at risk from the River Roding (Flood Zone 2). We are currently working on a strategy to develop and implement short and long term flood risk management options for the whole catchment. The options include structural measures in the first five years and maintenance and management over the 100 year strategy period. The Redbridge Flood Forum have been consulted on the strategy and have provided some detailed responses.

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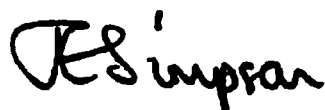
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We continue to work closely with London Borough of Redbridge and the other members of the Local Resilience Forum to ensure the response to a flooding incident is managed effectively.

I hope this information is satisfactory and addresses the comments raised in your letter. and please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely

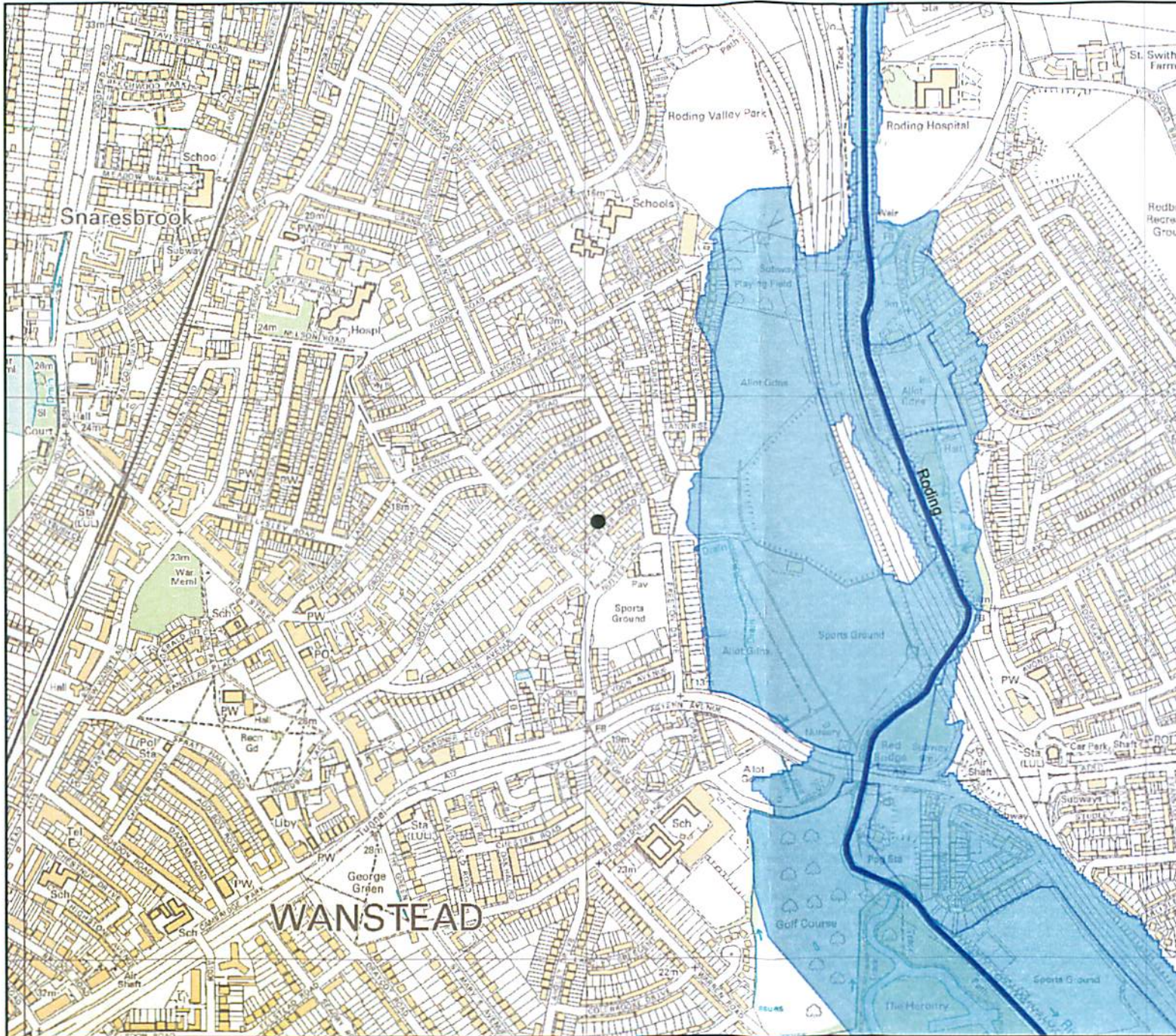
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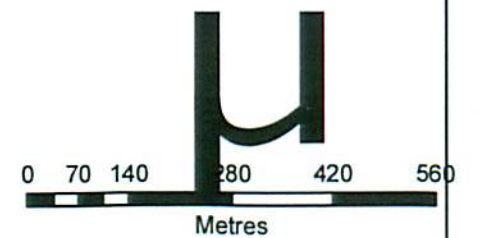
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Legend

-  Main Rivers
-  Flood Zone 2



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