

QUESTION NO 10

**By Councillor Mowat for answer by
the Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 10 February 2022**

The Convener may be aware of the story published 30th December by the Edinburgh Evening News covering the flooding of Newhaven Road.

Question (1) Would she agree this was an extremely stressful incident for residents fearful that their homes be flooded, while also making walking along the pavement a damp affair, cycling along the road impossible and driving a challenge?

Answer (1)

Question (2) The story quotes Scottish Water in these terms: "*Our inspector checked the road gullies which appeared to be choked and not allowing any surface water to drain away.*" Can the Convener confirm if the Place Directorate dispute the analysis of Scottish Water?

Answer (2)

Question (3) At the time of this flood, there were outstanding cases of flooding gullies within the flooded area dating back to 4 July 2021. Can the Convener explain why no action would seem to have been recorded to clear the "*gullies which appeared to be choked*" between the beginning of July and the end of December 2021, almost 6 months later?

Answer (3)

Question (4) Can the Convener confirm how many other cases relating to gully issues remain open as of 21 January 2022?

Answer (4)

Question (5) Can the Convener indicate how long it will take to institute a recovery plan to clear any backlog of gully issues, with the resulting increased risk of flooding, as identified by Scottish Water?

Answer (5)

