

Amenities Committee 23 September 26

Contamination of Riverside Meadows

Report

During Riverside Fest in August, concerns were raised that the kebab van located on the Bridge Garage forecourt may be disposing of used cooking oil over the boundary of the property and onto Riverside Meadows, where it appears to be entering a stream that feeds into the River Stour.

There is also a concern that water from the car wash may be draining onto the meadows.

The matter has been reported to the Dorset Council Rangers, who manage the site on behalf of the Town Council. The Rangers have advised that they will report the matter to the Environment Agency.

The Clerk has also reported the concerns directly to the Environment Agency and to Dorset Council Environmental Health.

Committee consideration

Members are asked to consider whether the Committee wishes to take any further action at this stage, or whether it is satisfied that the matter has been referred to the relevant authorities for investigation.