

62687 Drainage and Flooding Issues Around Whitehouse Road / School Brae

Who has responsibility for Whitehouse Road (at School Brae junction) where the flooding occurs when there is heavy rain? Is this managed by City of Edinburgh Council) or Scottish Water? This incorporates sewage/storm drains and road surface drains. Who owns the infrastructure?

Whitehouse Road is adopted and the road gullies and the connecting pipe to the main sewer are therefore maintained by the Council; the combined sewer the gullies connect into are shown as being maintained by Scottish Water. School Brae is a private road, and the Council does not normally maintain private roads. However, following a report being submitted and agreed at Council Committee in September 1998, there is an agreement in place that the Council would undertake some repairs at the time and would keep this road free of significant defects. This agreement, however, does not include the maintenance of the road gullies and they are therefore not maintained by the Council.

Any information relating to the cause of the storm drains on Whitehouse Road overflowing e.g. due to being blocked, undersized, or poorly maintained.

We do not have any records of gullies having issues here and we do not hold any information on the main sewer. Flood Management have no records of flooding at this location.

How often have the gullies been cleared on School Brae over the last 5 years and how does this compare to the average in Cramond as a whole?

We do not maintain the gullies on School Brae.

Is there a maintenance schedule for gullies in Edinburgh? If so, please send the schedule for School Brae and Whitehouse Road for the next 12 months.

There is a cyclic cleaning program in place covering some 65,000 gullies on adopted roads throughout the city. It takes around 24 months to complete all the routes in this programme. Whitehouse Road is on route West 046 and was last run on 24/01/26. As School Brae is a private road, it is not included in this programme.