

Meeting	Full Council
Date	24 th February 2026
Report Title	Charlock Path / Rushmere Underpass
Agenda Reference	14
Author	Councillor L Jackson

Recommendations to Full Council

To note the update.

Background

Cllr Leigh Jackson has raised ongoing concerns regarding the Rushmere Path underpass. The blocked drain and flooding were first reported on 11th November 2025, and the underpass remains in an unacceptable and unsafe condition. Although some water has receded, indicating possible partial works, no formal updates have been received from Swindon Borough Council since Cllr Stanka Wilson's Facebook post on 22 January 2026, which stated repairs and safety measures would be completed by 30th January 2026.

Current issues include:

- Barriers being easily moved by pedestrians
- Lack of proper signage or additional safety measures
- Hazardous conditions due to mud, debris, and exposed drainage

Councillor L Jackson requests that:

1. A clear update be provided on repair works—completed and scheduled.
2. Immediate actions are taken to fully secure the underpass with robust barriers and signage.
3. Ward Councillor Stanka Wilson respond with an update at the Full Council meeting on 24th February 2026.