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To who it may concern:

I have read with deep concern the Council's proposal to redefine the flood plain to include Eel Pie Island.

Eel Pie Island is a unique historical and cultural icon of Twickenham which I know has implemented many flood defence schemes which has allowed the island to thrive as a home for business and residential homes. The inclusion of the island in a so called functional flood plain will most likely have a devastating impact on the life of the island.

Obtaining insurance for both businesses and residents will become an immediate problem as will obtaining mortgages on homes. Employment opportunities will suffer and eventually you will see Eel Pie Island fade into an empty derelict island similar to other islands nearby in the Thames.

There seems to have been no public consultation and I would ask that the Council reconsider their decision and at least put it out for public consultation.

Regards

Robert Tucker

Concerned Twickenham resident