Has Poynton flooded before?

Yes, Poynton has previously experienced flooding several times in the past. Local newspapers reported flooding in 1844 when Poynton looked very different and there was less uncertainty about the climate. Poynton is very susceptible to flash flooding where there is a (usually) short burst of localised intense heavy rainfall. There is predicted to be an increase in this kind of rainfall event as a result of climate change and this is being experienced across the UK and Europe.