

Q. Why does Poynton flood?

A. The geography of Higher Poynton/Lower Poynton at the edge of Peak District means water will drain quickly downhill. A very heavy rainfall event, where the natural and urban drainage systems can't cope, means surface water gathers and flows along the course of least resistance and pools in low lying places. This might be across fields, along roads, through gardens and sometimes through houses. The main river, Poynton Brook, ultimately receives all the surface water and can become swollen, bursting its banks at a pinch point (bottleneck).