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# **Meeting Papers**

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# 1. Governance

#### **Recommendations:**

- Note the information contained in this report
- Approve Minute of Meeting (Item 1.3)
- Acknowledgement of Board KPI's (Item 1.6)

## 1.1 Clerk opens the meeting

### 1.1.1 Election of Chairman

### 1.1.2 Election of Vice-Chairman

### 1.1.3 Local Authority nominees

The Board welcomes new ERYC appointees Cllr D Jeffreys, Cllr B Jeffreys, Cllr N Coultish, Cllr A Handley and Cllr L Sargeantson to the Board.

## 1.2 Apologies for Absence

## **1.3 Declaration of Interest**

## 1.4 Minutes of the Meeting held 22 May 2019

Member	11. 2.1 6	24. 3.1 6	23. 6.1 6	1.0 9.1 6	1.1 1.1 6	8.0 2.1 7	16.6. 17	14.1 1.17	31.0 1.18	23. 5.1 8	13. 11. 18	12. 2.1 9	22. 5.1 9
Mrs Rosemary J Webster (Chair)	•	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	*	~	~	V	V
Mr John Richard Fawbert	~	~	A	A	~	~	-	~	A	✓	~	•	V
Mr Graham W Martinson	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	V
Mrs Rita Brough													V
Mr Mally Boatman													V
Mr Keith Moore													V
East Riding o	f York	shire											
Cllr Brent Huntington	А	А	~	✓	~	~	✓	✓	✓	~	А	~	A

#### In attendance on behalf of JBA Consulting, Clerk, Engineer and Environmental Officer:

lan Benn (Clerk)	CI.
Craig Benson (Finance Officer)	FO
Roger Smith (Engineer)	Eng.
Alison Briggs (Environment & Administration)	EO



#### GOVERNANCE.

**2019.37** Chairman's Announcement – Meeting commenced 17:10. The Chairman requested management advise on the Board's present position. The EO reported the Local Elections had impacted on Board business as several of ERYC previously appointed nominees were not yet reappointed to the Board. Messrs Boatman, Moore and Mrs Brough who had arrived to take part in the meeting were effectively members of the public until re-nominated by ERYC and unable to vote or take part in discussions. As of that time however, the Board was not quorate, there being two elected members present whereas the Standing Orders require a quorum is 3 Members. The EO advised it was understood ERYC Committee would convene to appoint to outside bodies within the next two weeks and the Board would need to call another meeting to approve the year end accounts and approve for signature Parts 1 and 2 of the AGAR.

#### 17:20 GM attended.

The Board was now quorate; discussions continued.

A brief discussion followed regarding potential loss to the Board of ERYC representatives whose membership had been of high value to the Board during their term of office and the possibility of their not being re-nominated. Mr Boatman advised ERYC experienced difficulty in finding people to sit on an IDB and was therefore confident Mr Huntington and Mrs Brough would be nominated as willing parties. EO advised Mrs Head had already confirmed she would be advising ERYC of her willingness to take a seat again.

RF questioned the procedure for co-opting onto the Board and whether that co-optee was required to be an agricultural ratepayer. It was confirmed not; the Board may co-opt any person it considers appropriate to be a Board Member. That co-optee would have the same voting powers as a full Member until the date of the next election.

The views of Messrs Boatman, Moore were sought as to whether they wished to remain on the Board. Both confirmed their willingness to represent the Board until the November election. Questions were raised on the Board's confidence of Mrs Brough and Mr Huntington being renominated by ERYC. EO advised she had spoken with Mr Huntington who was keen to remain on the Board. The Chairman proposed Messrs Boatman, Moore and Mrs Brough be coopted to the Board with immediate effect, seconded by GM, supported by RF. Members considered the same process for Mr Huntington but considered it inappropriate to co-opt in his absence.

- 2019.38 Apologies for absence BH
- 2019.39 Declaration of Interest none.
- 2019.40 Minutes of Meeting 12 February 2019 RW proposed Minutes be signed as true record, seconded RB, all in agreement.
- **2019.41** Matters arising not discussed elsewhere on Agenda none other than detailed in papers.
- 2019.42 Complaints none.
- 2019.43 KPI Members noted.

#### **CLERKS REPORT**

- **2019.44** Legislation Members noted progress of the draft Rivers Authority and Land Drainage Bill through parliament which would allow the creation of new IDBs, extending IDB Catchments and the creation of new Rivers Authorities where supported by local communities and Councils.
- **2019.45** Humber FRMS Comprehensive Review Clerk advised on current progress, the Strategy Review was likely to be completed by 2021.
- **2019.46** Good Governance for IDBs A short presentation would be given to Members on Good Governance at the end of the meeting.
- 2019.47 Election Year Members were required to confirm the appointment of JBA Consulting as returning officer and approve the electoral register. KM proposed appointment of JBA Consulting as Returning officer and approved the Electoral Register, RF seconded all in agreement.



#### FINANCIAL REPORT

- **2019.48** Rating Report 44% of drainage rates and 50% special levy had been collected for 2019/20 financial year.
- 2019.49 List of Payments Members considered List of all Payments noting total of £40,287.21.
  Other payments direct from bank account totalled £8856.49. KM moved payments be approved for signature by Chairman, all in agreement.
- 2019.50 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 – Members reviewed and approved Section 1 of the AGAR for signature by the Chairman. KM proposed Section 1 of the AGAR be approved for signature by Chairman and Clerk, seconded RF, all in agreement.
- **2019.51** Accounts for y/e 31 March 2019 and budget comparison for y/e 31 March 2019 FO took Members through all accounts. Reserves balance now increased, placing Board in good position for known expenditure such as District modelling.
- 2019.52 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) Section 2 Financial Statements 2018/1 Members reviewed and approved Section 2 of the AGAR for signature by the Chairman. KM proposed Section 2 of the AGAR be approved for signature, RB seconded, all in agreement
- **2019.53** 5-year budget estimate Members reviewed the estimates. MB raised question on movement of monies into new bank accounts as previously agreed. A small amount of additional interest had been earned and monies being invested through Lloyds was working well.

#### ENGINEER'S REPORT

- 2019.54 Asset Management Clerk advised on Asset Management position as asset rich organisation. Management had produced template for appropriate Asset Management documentation. Members discussed the appropriateness of a Corporate Plan, Asset Management Policy and Strategic Asset Management Plan. Environment Agency keen for Boards to follow route of BS55001 which would assist greatly in GiA submissions. Members supportive of document production.
- **2019.55** Pump Stations Members discussed Board future requirements including reducing capital costs, extending asset life, running pumps over extended periods at slower speeds helps to build up meaningful operational data, start and stop philosophies i.e. ramping up speed after initial 'slow start' to flush out the system, and review of current Telemetry provision with which MEICA team were experiencing problems.
- **2019.56** Hydraulic Model successfully received 100% grant funding, gone through tender process, tender submissions marked by EA and report to be sent to Chairman in due course.
- **2019.57** FCRM Funding A meeting has been held with the EA discussing Board long-term plans on pump station refurbishments.
- **2019.58** Ordinary Watercourses Members noted work required to Township Drain to pull back slips in the proximity of Elite Furnishings
- **2019.59** Planning, pre-application advice and consents Members noted out of 77 planning applications reviewed by the Engineer, 5 applications had received comments from the Board. Coniston Way development has resurfaced, meeting arranged with ERYC Planners regarding that development and Board associated by consents and byelaws. Chairman approved attendance under Specialist Services.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

- **2019.60** Legislation-Habitats Regs The EO had been asked to join Humber Nature Partnership as a Director which works closely with the Humber Estuaries Relevant Authorities Group (HERAG) in association with the Habitats Regulations which affects this Board.
- **2019.61** BAP Actions Members noted the extent of recent surveys in the District.



- **2019.62** Eels (England & Wales) Regulations Changes being made to the Eels Regulation Process (ChERP) is intended to deliver a new regulatory process that can be implemented successfully for the protection and benefit of eels without unreasonably impacting on operators. A meeting would be arranged with local EA Fisheries to discuss Board stations.
- **2019.63** Policy nothing to report.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT**

- 2019.64 Contractor Management Nothing to report.
- **2019.65** Hedge Cutting prior to flail mowing Members noted the information presented on hedge cutting.

#### REPRESENTATION

- 2019.66 Members noted the fora at which the Board had been represented.
- **2019.67** Governance for IDBs Members perused the presentation paperwork provided. Agreed at next meeting to discuss Standing Orders.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2019.68 none

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 2019.69 13 November 2019.
- 2019.70 Meeting closed

## 1.5 Matters arising not discussed elsewhere on Agenda

## 1.6 FOI/Complaints

None received.



# 1.7 Board Key Performance Indicators

The table presents a reasonable assessment of Board status.

Goole & Airmyn	IDB Key Performance Indicators	Inadequate	Work to be done	Adquate	Good	Very good
-	Compliance with internal audit requirements					
e t	Governance					
Management of the Board	Health & safety					
Managem the Board	Partnership working					
the a	OVERALL					
~ 월 전	Asset management					
Reduction of water logging and flood risk to assets	Flood Risk management					
Reduction water log and flood risk to ass	Flooding - learning					
and wa	OVERALL					
Environment	Biodiversity Action Plan					
i a	Partnership working					
<u> </u>	OVERALL					
ត	Financial statements					
Financial	Drainage rate collection					
ц.	OVERALL					



# 2. Clerks Report

#### **Recommendation:**

• Note information contained in the report

# 2.1 Legislation

### 2.1.1 Environment Bill

Includes clauses which will be incorporated into the Land Drainage Act if passed. Changes are associated with the creation of new IDBs and the ability for IDBs to extend boundaries to include areas from which water flows into catchments. ADA has lobbied Defra for amendments to the ways in which annual values are calculated which ADA believes will reflect a fairer approach to collection of drainage rates and special levy.

# 2.2 Environment Agency

## 2.2.1 Draft National Flood & Coastal Erosion RMS

On behalf of the Board, Officers responded to the draft national strategy proposals which contained both financial and operational implications for the Board.

### 2.2.2 Humber Flood Risk Management Strategy

Linked to the Humber Strategy the Environment Agency recently held meetings with landowners to discuss rising sea level, storm surge and flood risk around the Estuary. Meeting Venues were arranged at Arties Mill, Goole and Hull. Details were issued to elected Members within the Shire Group.

# 2.3 RFCC update

It is being reported that changes are being proposed to the FCERM grant aid rules associated with Outcome Measure 4 – Environmental Benefits.

The existing measure may be changed to account for additional environmental benefits delivered by FCERM schemes rather than solely focussing on statutory designated sites e.g. SSSI. This amendment would encourage FCERM schemes to embed natural flood management and natural capital approaches and support the objectives of the government's 25-year Environment Plan.

It was also reported of proposed changes to FCERM to incorporate an Asset Replacement Fund.

This fund would pay more grant in aid for significant capital upgrades when assets have reached the need for replacement, i.e. there is no realistic prospect of securing local contributions and these works have a high benefit-cost ratio. This would strengthen existing EA practices where it manages deteriorating assets by planning for their sustainable replacement before they require emergency works in the same Asset Management approach Management is advocating for this Board. The fund would be used as part of the existing Partnership Funding arrangements and would be subject to meeting eligibility criteria.



# 3. Financial Report

#### **Recommendations:**

- To note the information contained in this report
- To approve the schedule of payments

# 3.1 Rating Report

Details of the Rates and Special Levies issued and payments received up to and including 29 October 2019:-

	£	£
Balance Brought forward at 1 April 2019		-6.03
2019/2020 Drainage Rates and Special Levies		
Drainage Rates		5,486.17
Special Levies – East Riding of Yorkshire Council	253,084.00	253,084.00
Total Drainage Rates Due		<u>258,564.14</u>
Less Paid:-		
Drainage Rates		5,446.33
Special Levies – East Riding of Yorkshire Council	126,542.00	126,542.00
Total Drainage Rates Paid		<u>131,988.33</u>
Balance Outstanding as at 29 October 2019		<u>126,575.81</u>



# 3.2 List of Payments

Payments made since those reported at the previous meeting:

DA	TE	PAYMENT	VOUCHER	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL	
		REF				VALUE	
20	19					£	
May	15th	d/d	4	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	38.45	*
i	19th	d/d	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	7.90	*
	20th	d/d	5	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	565.74	*
					Supply to Hook Clough PS	450.16	*
					Membership Fees	66.85	*
	30th	000003	6	Brodericks GBC	Internal Audit Fee 2018/19	1,314.00	
		000004	76	Danvm Drainage Commissioners	Pumping Station Keys, etc.	46.26	
		000005		JBA Consulting	Fee Accounts: -		
			3		Management Services - April 2019	3,440.56	
			7		BAP Implementation - April 2019	922.20	
Jun	13th	d/d	8	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	38.45	*
	18th	d/d	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	5.50	*
		d/d	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	6.41	*
	20th	d/d	13	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Downes Ground PS	1,678.32	*
					Supply to Southfield Lane PS	101.02	*
					Supply to Potter Grange PS	270.69	*
					Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	389.89	*
	21st	000006	10	2buy2.com Limited	Tender Evaluation	3,744.00	
		000007	11	JBA Consulting	Management Services - May 2019	3,440.56	
		000008	12	Towergate Insurance		6,876.63	
Jul	11th	000009	14-15,21	Danvm Drainage Commissioners	Site Visits in District	3,003.74	
• •		000010	16	Environment Agency	Flood Defence Levy	34,429.76	
		000011		JBA Consulting	Fee Accounts: -	01,120110	
		000011	22		Management Services - June 2019	4,011.76	
			23		BAP Implementation - June 2019	235.20	
		000012	19	Signs Express	Safety Signs	71.40	
		000012	9	The Courtyard	Meeting Expenses	99.20	
	16th	d/d	17	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	38.45	*
	19th	d/d	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	5.50	*
	1501	d/d		Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	2.65	*
	22n	d/d	20	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	439.82	*
A	d						
Aug	12th	000014	25	Danvm Drainage Commissioners	Site Visits in District	1,187.78	
		000015	07	JBA Consulting	Fee Accounts: -	0.500.04	
			27		Managements Services - July 2019	3,520.81	
		000010	28		IDB Modelling Study	3,879.60	
		000016	26	J&S Welding Services	Potter Grange PS - Door Maintenance	150.00	*
	14th	d/d	30	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	38.45	-
	18th	d/d	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	5.50	*
	19th	d/d	18	Information Commissioner	Data Protection Registration	35.00	Â
		d/d	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	4.56	*
	20th	d/d	24	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	496.90	Â
					Supply to Hook Clough PS	194.66	*
					Membership Fees	78.96	*
Sep	4th	d/d	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bankline Fees	48.38	*
	13th	d/d	31	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	38.45	*
	18th	d/d	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	6.30	*
		d/d	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	4.28	*
	20th	d/d	32	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Downes Ground PS	651.68	*
					Supply to Southfield Lane PS	67.12	*
					Supply to Potter Grange PS	220.15	*
					Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	424.44	*
	25th	000017	34-5	Danvm Drainage Commissioners	Site Visits in District, etc.	1,497.55	



	000018	36	JBA Consulting	IDB Modelling Study	9,825.60	
	000019	29	PKF Littlejohn LLP	External Audit Fee 2018/18	720.00	
			Total Amount of all Payments		88,837.24	
			*Total Amount of Direct Debits & C	heques Approved by the Clerk Only	6,420.63	

NB - internal transfers between bank accounts not reported.

# 3.3 Audit

### 3.3.1 External Audit

Nothing to report

### 3.3.2 External Audit

The External Audit for 2018/19 is complete with no issues giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

### 3.3.3 Internal Audit Review Panel

The Internal Audit Review meeting will take place on Monday 25 November 2019 at Epsom House and will commence at 10.00am.



# 3.4 Budget Comparison for the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	2019/2	20		21/10/2019	2019/20	
Appro	ved	Budg	et		% of B	udget
Estima	ate	Toda	te			
£	£	£	£			
				INCOME		
	196			Drainage Rates on District 1:-		
5,492		4,678		4.9p in £ on Av of £4,004	85%	
	5290			Drainage Rates on District 2:-		
				4.9p in £ on Av of £108,079		
				Special Levies		
	244097			East Riding of Yorkshire - District 1		
253,084		126,542		4.9p in £ on Av of £4,981,575	50%	
	8987			East Riding of Yorkshire - District 2		
				4.9p in £ on Av of £183,404		
				Other Income:-		
20,000		20,564		Department of Transport	103%	
50		50		Other Income	100%	
0		0		Grant in Aid	0%	
<u>0</u>	278,626	<u>152</u>	151,987	Bank Interest	0%	55%
				EXPENDITURE		
70,926		34,430		Environment Agency Precept	49%	
7,374		7,374		Board Loans	100%	
0		0		New Works and Improvement	0%	
53,495		24,946		Administration	47%	
3,000		965		Other Expenditure	32%	
30,500		10,999		Drain Maintenance	36%	
<u>41,050</u>	206,345	<u>12,080</u>	<u>90,792</u>	Pumping Stations	29%	44%
	72,281		61,195	Surplus - (Deficit)		84.66%
	154,428		205,093	Balance Brought Forward		<u>132.81%</u>
	<u>50,000</u>		<u>0</u>	Transfer to Capital Reserve Acc		
	<u>176,709</u>		266.287	Balance Carried Forward		



				L RESERVE ACCOUNT		
		ESTIMATE	<u>S FOR TH</u>	E YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2020		
	2019	/20		21/10/2019	2019/2	20
Appro		"_o Budg	et	21,10,2010	2010/	
Estima		Toda			% of Bu	dget
£	£	£	£		£	
				INCOME		
0		0		Contribution from Other Accounts	0%	
30,000		17,500		Grant in Aid	58%	
0		0		PWLB Loan	0%	
0		0		Contribution to Capital works	0%	
<u>0</u>	30,000	<u>0</u>	17,500	Bank Interest	0%	
				EXPENDITURE		
65,000		17,929		Catchment Modelling	28%	
0		0		Pumping station refurbishments	0%	
<u>0</u>	<u>65,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17,929</u>	Asset Inspection	0%	
	(35,000)		(429)	Surplus - (Deficit)	1%	
	49,132		56,637	Balance Brought Forward	115%	
	<u>50,000</u>		<u>0</u>	Transfer from Revenue Acc	0%	
	<u>64,132</u>		56.208	Balance Carried Forward	88%	

# 3.5 Five Year Budget Estimate

The five-year budget estimate is shown below:

Goole & Airmyn IDB		0	1	2	3	4	5
Revenue Account	2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	Арр			Ectimato	d Out-turn		
	Budget			Loundley			
Income	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Drainage Rates	5,486	5,486	5,486	5,486	5,486	5,486	5,598
Special Levies	253,084	253,084	253,084	253,084	253,084	253,084	258,249
Highways England Contribution	20,000	20,564	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Bank Interest, consents etc	50	100	50	100	100	100	100
Total Income	278,620	279,234	278,620	278,670	278,670	278,670	283,947
Expenditure							
Flood Defence Lew	70,926	68,860	70,926	73,054	75,245	77,503	79,828
New and Improvement Works	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drain Maintenance	30,500	30,500	31,500	32,445	33,418	34,421	35,454
Other Expenditure	3,000	3,000	3,500	3,605	3,713	3,825	3,939
Pumping Stations	41,050	41,872	41,475	42,719	44,001	45,321	46,680
Administration	53,495	52,772	54,595	56,233	57,920	59,657	61,447
PWLB Loan	7,374	7,374	7,374	7,374	7,374	7,374	7,374
Total Expenditure	206,345	204,378	209,370	215,430	221,671	228,100	234,722
Surplus/(Deficit)	72,275	74,856	69,250	63,240	56,999	50,570	49,225
Balance Brought Forward	154,428	205,092	229,948	224,198	212,439	194,438	195,008
Transfer to Capital Reserve Acc	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	50,000	50,000
Balance Carried Forward	176,703	229,948	224,198	212,439	194,438	195,008	194,233
Penny Rate in £	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	5.00p
Penny Rate £52,771	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	4.90p	5.00p
Commuted Sum Balance	190,287	190,287	190,287	190,287	190,287	190,287	193,057
Captial Reserve Account	64,132	86,647	161,647	236,647	266,647	316,647	266,647
% of Expenditure	85.63%	112.51%	107.08%	98.61%	87.71%	85.49%	82.75%



	2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	
Capital Reserve Account	Арр	Estimated Out-turn						
Capital Reserve Account	Budget			Estimated Out-turn				
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Income								
WLM Strategy Grant								
Interest/Other income	-	10	-					
PWLB Loan					-	-	-	
FGIA Grant	30,000	65,000			30,000			
PS Scheme Contributions								
Catchment Modelling- Contribution	-	-	-					
Total Income	30,000	65,010	-	-	30,000	-	-	
Expenditure								
Telemetry - Total Catchment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Catchment Modelling	65,000	65,000						
Asset Inspections								
Pumping Station Asset inspection	-	20,000		-	75,000			
New Loan - Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Pumping Station Refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	
Total Expenditure	65,000	85,000	-	-	75,000	-	100,000	
Surplus/(Deficit)	(35,000)	(19,990)	-	-	(45,000)	-	(100,000)	
Balance Brought Forward	49,132	56,637	86,647	161,647	236,647	266,647	316,647	
Transfer from Revenue	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	50,000	50,000	
Transfer from Commuted Sum								
Balance Carried Forward	64,132	86,647	161,647	236,647	266,647	316,647	266,647	



# 4. Engineer's Report

#### **Recommendations:**

• Note the information contained in this report

# 4.1 Asset Management

### 4.1.1 Moving toward Asset Management

Nothing to Report

### 4.1.2 Pumping Stations

The MEICA team have identified at Downes Ground Pumping Station that the motor on pump 3 requires refurbishment. The approximate cost would be £3.5K

The team have also noticed a vibration on start up during the second phase on pumps 1 & 2 at Orchard Cottage Pumping Station, the MEICA team will disconnect the motor to establish the cause.

Towards the end of September and early October higher than average rainfall was received the pumping plant performed well.

Early October, board officers discussed again with Oriel Systems the ongoing issues, currently experiencing. It is imperative to have a robust telemetry system, which can be relied upon.

### 4.1.3 Hydraulic Modelling

Following the procurement scrutiny undertaken by buy2buy, JBA Consulting were successful in the bid based upon quality and cost and were duly appointed to proceed.

The surveying works has commenced and is approximately 90% complete. Board Officers have also been involved in compiling and providing relevant data to assist with the model.

### 4.1.4 FCRM Funding

Grant funding applications have been completed to provide funding for the hydraulic modelling and to secure asset refurbishment longer term.

## 4.2 Maintenance

### 4.2.1 Pump Station PSCA

Danvm Drainage Commissioners continue to provide support to the Board.

### 4.2.2 Ordinary Watercourses

Watercourse maintenance works has commenced, with the flail mowing completed by the end of September. Blenheim Drain was not maintained due to water vole mitigation works being undertaken. De-weeding will be completed by the end of October.

Watercourse revetment works will be completed on Township Drain this season.

## 4.3 Planning, pre-application advice and consents

### 4.3.1 Planning Applications

Between 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019 board officers have commented 17 planning applications which may affect the board.



Board Officers have spent considerable time on dealing with planning applications and provided pre application which have affected the boards catchment in recent months.

## 4.3.2 Land Drainage Act 1991 Section 23 and 66 (20th Byelaws) Consents

There have been no consent applications received between 8th May 2019 and 18th October 2019

### 4.3.3 LDA 1991, Section 23 breach

Nothing to report.



# 5. Environmental Report

#### **Recommendation:**

• Note the information contained in this report

# 5.1 Legislation

### 5.1.1 Conservation of Habitats & Species Regulations 2010 - HERAG

The Humber Estuary Relevant Authorities Group (HERAG) met in in May and September. Discussions surrounded Estuary condition update, the TV Bird Migration documentary, Local Recreational Disturbance management plans, and an update on the England Coastal Path as it affects the Estuary. This can now be accessed through YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5rxQMkUftU&feature=youtu.be

### 5.1.2 Biodiversity Action Plan 2015-2020

Survey work this year concentrated on water vole surveys on Towns Drain from the proximity of Downe's Ground House through to Glewes Garage and on Downes Ground Drain. A new population of water vole was identified in the drain toward Downe's Ground House.

# 5.2 Policy

Nothing to report.



# 6. Health and Safety Report

### **Recommendations:**

• To note the information contained in the report

# 6.1 Contractor Management

## 6.1.1 Accidents and Incidents

Nothing to report.

## 6.1.2 Lone Worker Arrangements

Nothing to report.

# 7. Representation

Officers represent the Board in several fora:

Environmental	Flood Risk Management	Other
Humber Estuary	Humber Flood Risk	
Relevant Authorities Group	Management Steering Group	
Group	Comprehensive Review	
Humber Nature Forum	Humber FRMS working	
	group	

# 8. Date of Next Meeting

12 February 2020

20 May 2020

11 November 2020



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