

MINUTES OF SELBY AREA IDB MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 31st JANUARY 2019
AT 12 PARK STREET SELBY

- 150 **Present** Mr J Dennis (Chairman), Mr J Cattanach, Mr I Chilvers,
Mr J Mackman, Mr C Pearson, Mr C Tindall, Mr M Bramley,
Mr C Fenteman, Mr R Shepherd, Mr J Thirsk, Mr T Wood
- In attendance Mr N Everard (Clerk of the Board)
Mr P Jones (Consulting Engineer),
Mr I Chapman (Works Supervisor)
- 151 **Apologies** Mrs J Chilvers, Mr J Deans, Mr P Roberts, Mr C Clark, Mrs G Ivey
- 152 **Disclosure of Interest** None.
- 153 **Minutes** The Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th November 2018, were approved and signed subject to the recording of the attendance of Mr J Thirsk and there were no matters arising.
- 154 **Works Supervisors Report/Health & Safety** The Works Supervisor reported that watercourse maintenance was progressing with the excavator weedcutting Hirst Marsh drain, Hirst Courtney, the JCB Hydradig piling on Oxfield Lane drain, Cawood and the flailmower sludging Cow Lane drain, Selby. There was one small excavator on hire, sludging various small watercourses that run into Clough Dyke, Cawood. Further weedcutting work was scheduled in the Carlton/Drax area with a further month's work of maintenance around the Selby district, mainly along road sides. The works under the Environment Agency (EA) Public Sector Cooperation Agreement had been completed and the flailmower contracts had completed works in the Lower Aire district.
- It was confirmed that all the pumping stations were operational with minor issues in respect of the weedscreen cleaner's at Ings and Lendall Pumping Station's. The Board are currently awaiting contractors to complete repairs.
- 155 **Planning Applications/Consents** The Consulting Engineer reported that thirty eight planning applications had received comment and three consents had been issued between 17th October 2018 and 18th December 2018.
- 156 **Great Clough Pumping Station** The Consulting Engineer reported that Bedford Pumps had conducted a six month review on site and identified no issues/defects with the works. The review, however, had identified an issue relating to back flow through the discharge pipelines which is currently being investigated. The Consulting Engineer will review the outcome of the investigations and report with recommendations to the Finance Committee.

- 157 **Brotherton Marsh Pumping Stations** The Consulting Engineer reported that the Coal Authority (CA) had indicated a start date on site as the end of March 2019, with the works CA 100% funded. The CA will provide their capital works investment programme for review.
- 158 **Cawood Marshes/ Coates Marsh & Temple Hirst Pumping Station Refurbishments** The Consulting Engineer reported on attendance at a meeting with the EA with regard to apportionment of benefits across the three schemes. Concern was raised in terms of wider benefit apportionment to support the EA Cawood Village flood defence improvement project due in 5 to 6 years time which is currently achieving low partnership funding scores. The EA have been requested to meet with the Finance Committee.

The Consulting Engineer had reported to the Finance Committee as follows:-

- Temple Hirst – no change, 100% grant in aid funded although the Board are requested to contact Network Rail for any potential contribution.
- Coates Marsh – change from the 67% budgeted to 55% grant in aid contribution equating to £72,220.
- Cawood Marshes – change from 100% budgeted to 85% grant in aid contribution amounting to £58,739 and to reduce the scope focusing on the pump station refurbishment only. Phase 2 of the proposed scheme in respect of the high level gravity is to be considered by the EA within their Cawood Village flood defence improvement project.

The EA also indicated that the next 6 year programme of capital works grant in aid funded allocations were expected in Autumn and an approach had been made to the LEP for potential contributions to the whole of the Yorkshire programme.

As reported at the previous meeting, receipt of confirmation of grant in aid, the Consulting Engineers are authorised to proceed with the Temple Hirst pumping station refurbishment scheme detailed design, tenders and work supervision as previously quoted.

- 159 **Brayton Academy** The Consulting Engineer reported that the Academy had proceeded with connecting their 225mm service water pipe into the 600mm pipeline off Doncaster Road. The CCTV survey undertaken by the Board had identified a blockage in the 600mm diameter pipe along the tree line within the Academy grounds. The pipes are free flowing south of the tree line which would permit surface water discharge from the Academy after removal of the blockages. A quote from contractors in the sum of £6,980 based on an estimated four days on site had been provided to the Academy for consideration. North Yorkshire County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority and the historic owner of the site are currently assisting in the identification of the riparian owner.

- 160 **Central Community Engagement Forum** The Consulting Engineer reported that he had presented at the Central CEF organised by Selby District Council at Barlby Bridge Community Primary School in December 2018 which was well received and identified the need to further publicise the works of the Board.
- The Consulting Engineer had been contacted by Brayton Parish Council to attend a similar meeting to share information on flood risk within the catchment.
- The Consulting Engineer was complemented on the report and the positive response from attendees.
- 161 **ADA Northern Branch** The Clerk confirmed that the Chairman had attended the Northern Branch meeting held on 24th January 2019 and minutes were awaited.
- The Clerk invited members to attend the Floodex arranged by the ADA scheduled for 27th and 28th February 2019 at the Peterborough Arena.
- 162 **Freedom of Information Request** The Clerk confirmed that the matter was referred to the Board's legal adviser who had issued a response direct.
- 163 **Direct Labour** The Clerk reported that following employment advice, an employee was dismissed, the subsequent appeal meeting held by the Vice Chairman with the decision being confirmed. Subject to approval of the budget the Board will be seeking a replacement in the Spring in readiness for the forthcoming maintenance season.
- 164 **DEFRA Request** The Clerk reported on a request from DEFRA to provide Board members details to consultants carrying out a survey into IDB Governance. A contact is also requested for the persons at the Selby District Council responsible for ensuring that the council provide appointed members. Subject to clarification of GDPR requirements the Clerk will contact members individually.
- 165 **Demainment** The Clerk reported on riparian owners request for the demainment of the upper part of the Lendal catchment with no further upstream IDB maintenance and under sole ownership and drain No. 443 with no further upstream IDB maintenance under sole ownership which was approved by the Board.
- 166 **Insurance** The Clerk reported that insurers had been put on notification in respect of the potential claim against the Board which is currently being dealt with by the EA relating to a section of Cockrett Dyke.
- 167 **Commuted Sum** The Clerk reported on a receipt of a draft agreement from the Board's legal advisers for the Sherburn housing development and the Board delegated powers to the Finance Committee to consider and approve the agreement.

- 168 **Risk Management Review** The Clerk confirmed that a meeting was scheduled with the Health & Safety Advisor and that subject to this no changes were expected to the Risk Management Strategy and Policy.
- 169 **Annual Values** The Annual Values of the Board at 31st December 2018 were formally minuted as £2,046,523 in respect of agricultural land and other hereditaments £16,874,224 totalling £18,920,747.
- 170 **Rating 2019/20** The Board considered the previous year's budget together with the estimated and actual expenditure to 31st March 2019 and the budget for the forthcoming year. The Board resolved that the drainage rate be in the sum of 5.9248p in the pound in respect of agricultural land and buildings in the district. It was resolved that a special levy be made on Selby District Council in the sum of £999,764.
- The Board approved that the common seal would be affixed thereto.
- 171 **Reserves** The Board confirmed the existing reserves policy as follows:-
- New works and plant – capital reserve – to provide for the replacement of plant on a 5 year cycle, together with specified proposes new works.
 - Revenue reserve – to maintain the balance at 3 months of the annual revenue expenditure.
- 172 **Accounts for Payment** The Board approved the Accounts for Payment schedule numbers 25 and 26 in the amounts of £169,002.24 and £153,056.87 respectively.
- 1730 **Next Meeting** The next meeting of the Board will be held on Thursday 30th May 2019.

.....Chairman

.....Date

The Seal of the Board was affixed in the presence of:

.....Chairman

Mr J Dennis

.....Clerk

Mr N Everard

.....Date