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Meeting Papers

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1. Governance

Recommendations:

Note the information contained in this report

1.1 Apologies for Absence

1.2 Declaration of Interest

1.3 Minutes of the Meeting held 10 February 2021

Member	22.5.19	13.11.19	13.02.20	10.06.20	20.10.20	7.12.20	10.2.21
Mrs Rosemary J Webster	V	V	V	V	V	√	V
(Chair)							
Mr John Richard Fawbert	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	Α	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Mr Graham W Martinson	V	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mrs Rita Brough	$\sqrt{}$	V	V	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Mr Mally Boatman	V	V	√	1	√	√	V
Mr Keith Moore	V	V	V	V	V	$\sqrt{}$	V
(Vice Chair)							
ERYC							
Mr Brent Huntington	Α	$\sqrt{}$	√	1	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Cllr Liz Sargeantson		New -	-	1	$\sqrt{}$	-	$\sqrt{}$
Cllr Nick Coultish		New√	Α	1	-	-	Α
Cllr David Jeffreys		New √	Α	V	Unable to access	-	А
Cllr Barbara Jeffreys		New√	Α	$\sqrt{}$	Unable to access	-	Α
Cllr Anne Handley		New √	А	$\sqrt{}$	-	Α	Α

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

Craig Benson (Clerk) Clerk
Roger Smith (Engineer) Eng.
Janette Parker (Ratings Officer) RO

GOVERNANCE

- 2021.1 Apologies for Absence D Jeffreys, B Jeffreys and N Coultish. The Clerk also advised A Handley had sent her apologies as she was currently ill and confirmed he had sent best wishes from the Board for a speedy recovery.
- **2021.2** Declaration of Interest None.
- **2021.3** Minutes of Meeting 7 December 2021 Minutes considered and proposed as true record by KM, seconded RF.

Matters Arising

- **2021.4** BH referred to item 2020.101 stating the access issue referred to the plant room at Boothferry Bridge and not to a pump station.
- 2021.5 LS advised that she had not received any information or notification for the previous meeting and that was the reason she was not in attendance. Clerk confirmed he would investigate further.



CLERK'S REPORT

- **2021.6** Information in the report noted with the Clerk confirming that Barclay's had now released the money in the dormant account.
- **2021.7** Board Membership Information noted with Clerk adding that reconstitution of the Board would probably not take place until 2022.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- **2021.8** List of Payments RB queried payment to The Courtyard. Clerk confirmed this referred to a previous meeting. **KM proposed approval of, LS seconded.**
- **2021.9** Internal Audit Information noted.
- **2021.10** Risk Register Clerk advised Members of the changes to the report. **KM proposed approval of, RF seconded.**
- 2021.11 Rates, Special Levies & Estimates for Year Ending 31 March 2022 Clerk took Members through the report advising that both income and expenditure for the current year were virtually as budgeted and that with the resulting surplus of £70,000 and the brought forward balance, a transfer of £75,000 would be made into the Capital Reserve Account. He added that with forecasted income for the next financial year as £283,000 and expenditure as £207,440 it would be prudent in the current pandemic situation to propose a standstill to the rate at 4.9p. Approval proposed by RB, seconded LS and all Members in favour.
- **2021.12** Capital Reserve Account Information noted.
- **2021.13** Five Year Budget Estimate Clerk took Members through the report. RF queried why the Highways England figure was not increasing as others were. Clerk confirmed it was prudent to leave as was so as not to overbudget.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- **2021.14** Orchard Cottage Pump Station Eng confirmed that the pump was ready to be reinstalled but that additional aggregate needed to be added to the crane pad before this could be completed.
- **2021.15** Southfield Lane Pump Station Eng confirmed that the pump was still out of commission but that would be re-installed soon.
- 2021.16 Eng advised that he intended to have a meeting with the EA at the beginning of March to chase situation with initial applications he had made in respect of funding for the pump station refurbishments. He added that it may be necessary to produce a Business Case Study which the Board would need to fund but that Grant in Aid could be sourced towards this.
- 2021.17 Hydraulic Model Eng confirmed that when in person meetings could be held he would arrange for a further demonstration of the hydraulic model which would also assist with the pump station refurbishments.
- 2021.18 White City, Airmyn Eng confirmed information in papers. LS advised she had been contacted by residents and asked going forward if the Board had powers to enforce. Eng confirmed the Board did under the LDA. He added that the resident concerned was aware of the issue and his riparian responsibility and had been given a number of options to resolve. Eng stated he was aware that the owner had someone lined up to carry out a CCTV survey and that he had been in contact with the Council.
- 2021.19 Planning Applications Eng advised that ERYC were granting applications without referral to the Board or ignoring the advice being given. He stated that he intended to write to ERYC regarding this. KM asked if this related to Guardian Glass. Eng explained that on Guardian Glass' northern boundary there was a Board maintained watercourse and track. The proposal was to turn the track into a fully surfaced highway and if this was allowed the Board would be unable to maintain. He added that comments had been made in the usual manner and that the applicant needed to talk to the Board and to submit a consent. He advised that the applicant had gone back to planning so he would contact ERYC and comment again. KM then asked if that was the same situation at the location in Hook he had raised before the meeting. Eng confirmed that he had made comments to ERYC and



also told Hook Parish Council the same but had received no further communications on this, stating that he had no major objections to the proposal but that further investigations were needed. KM mentioned the wildlife issues and Eng responded that on a consent application the final section enabled applicants to confirm any details of this or that an ecology report had or would be undertaken.

2021.20 LDA 1991, Section 23 Breach – Eng confirmed that Siemens has now removed the temporary fence and relocated it which now allowed access for the Board to maintain the watercourse.

HEALTH & SAFETY

2021.21 Information noted.

REPRESENTATION

2021.22 Information noted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 2021.23 LS stated that she had received calls from residents in Airmyn expressing concerns over the watercourse behind Parsons Walk and the junction with Park Road, that levels were high and could there be blockages. Eng advised that the Environment Officer had been in contact with Airmyn Parish Council in December and if the two incidents were related this had been dealt with but that he was not aware of issues at that location. LS asked if the area was checked. Eng confirmed that the IDB system downstream that it discharges into was checked regularly during maintenance and that he checked early in the new year and again three weeks ago noting that water levels were down and there were no blockages in the Board's watercourse. He added that if there were blocked culverts to the section mentioned then this would be the responsibility of the riparian owners.
- 2021.24 KM advised of a serious car accident and two near misses at Westfield Banks where those parking in the layby near the pump station were turning right on exit which was effectively a blind corner and suggested a banner be put on the fence stating no right turn. Eng advised he was aware of the issue stating that when Highways re-instate the headwall they may wish to erect a sign there as it was not really for the Board to do. KM queried who owned the land. Chair confirmed it belonged to Mr. Haigh and that technically those parking there were trespassing. MB confirmed that it needed a Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit the right turn and that this would be the responsibility of the the Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 2021.25 Clerk stated that a request had been made to alter the date meetings were held from a Wednesday to a Tuesday and proposed dates for the next meetings of 22 June 2021 and 9 November 2021. MB then queried if they would still be held at 3.00pm. Clerk confirmed if that suited members then it would stay at that time. All Members in agreement.
- **2021.26** Chair thanked all for attending and meeting closed at 3.48pm.



1.4 Matters arising not discussed elsewhere on Agenda

2020.103 Since the last meeting Cllr Barbara Jeffries has resigned from the Board due to volume of work.

1.5 FOI/Complaints

The Board has received no complaints or FOI requests since the last meeting.

1.6 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	Verygood
	Compliance with internal audit requirements					
Management of the Board	Governance					
a p	Health & safety					
Managem the Board	Partnership working					
₽₽	OVERALL					
~ 5 ₹	Asset management					
Reduction of water logging and flood risk to assets	Flood Risk management					
Reduction water log and flood risk to ass	Flooding - learning					
R N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	OVERALL					
Environment	Biodiversity Action Plan Partnership working					
<u> </u>	OVERALL					
	Financial statements					
Financial	Drainage rate collection					
Fina	OVERALL					
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2. Clerks Report

Recommendation:

- Note information contained in the report
- To approve the re-constitution of the Board and amalgamate the electoral districts Item 2.1.1
- To approve the Revised Standing Orders Item 2.2

2.1 Legislation

2.1.1 Re-constitution of Board

The Board have received correspondence from Environment Agency requesting clarification on the Board's intention to re-constitute. The recorded minutes sent to them were not detailed sufficiently for the amalgamation of the electoral districts to take place.

Therefore, the Board are asked to approve the following statement: - Is it the desire of the Board to

- Re-constitute its membership to 6 elected members and 7 nominated members
- To amalgamate the electoral districts to one district.

2.1.2 Changes to the Environment Bill that are being tabled in the House of Commons.

Government amendments

The events of the last twelve months have led people to appreciate the difference that nature makes to our lives more than ever before. Restoring nature will be crucial as we seek to build back greener from this pandemic, and in what is a huge year for the environment we will use our COP26 and G7 presidencies to take a leading role on driving a global green recovery on the world stage.

2030 biodiversity target

As a core part of our commitment to leave the environment in a better state than we found it, we are announcing today that we will be amending the Environment Bill to require a historic, new legally binding target on species abundance for 2030 - aiming to halt the decline of nature. We hope that this world leading measure will be the Net Zero equivalent for nature, spurring action of the scale required to address the biodiversity crisis.

We will develop this target alongside the longer term legally-binding targets we are already developing in the Environment Bill, and set the final target in secondary legislation following the agreement of global targets at the UN Nature Conference CBD COP15 in autumn 2021.

Habitat regulations

We are also announcing today that we will be adding new powers to the Environment Bill to refocus the habitats regulations in England. We want to ensure our legislation adequately supports our ambitions for nature, including our new world leading targets, rather than remaining tied to legacy EU legislation. We have already set out some important measures in the Environment Bill to switch the focus to nature recovery. We have the requirement for environmental targets on wider areas, for example water quality; a requirement for an Environment Improvement Plan; Local Nature Recovery Strategies supported with new funding under biodiversity net gain; and Natural England are making progress with a more strategic approach to nature recovery through their support for delivering the Nature Recovery Network.



While we are seeking a power to make some changes to the Habitats Regulations, we will take a cautious approach to reform. We will also consult, including with the new Office for Environmental Protection, and work with stakeholders on any proposals we develop before any regulatory changes are made. In addition, later this year, we plan to bring forward a Green Paper setting out how we plan to deliver this, as part of our objective of protecting 30 percent of terrestrial land by 2030.

Wider nature recovery announcements

DEFRA also announced: -

An <u>England Peat Action Plan</u> to restore, sustainably manage and protect our peatlands. We will restore at least 35,000 ha of peatland by 2025, investing £50 million through the Nature for Climate fund and phasing out the most damaging practices to our peatland.

An <u>England Trees Action Plan</u> to better protect our existing trees and expand woodland coverage aiming for 12% woodland cover by the middle of the century. Over £500 million of the £640 million Nature for Climate Fund is dedicated to trees. Tree planting rates in England will treble to benefit our local communities, nature and climate.

<u>Species reintroduction measures</u> to recover threatened species and continue to provide opportunities for successful reintroductions. We want to see a more nature rich Britain, with further action to bend the curve of species loss in this country.

If we are to deliver this ambitious new target and reverse the downward trend we have seen in recent decades, we need to change our approach. We must move the emphasis away from processes that simply moderated the pace of nature's decline, and instead put in place the governance regime that can deliver nature's recovery. We need to create space for the creative public policy thinking that can deliver results, rather than relying on change being set by litigation and case law.

The Environment Bill will have its final day of Report and Third Reading in the Commons on 26 May, before moving to the Lords. We are aiming for Royal Assent in the Autumn. In the year of COP26, the Environment Bill is at the core of delivering the Government's manifesto commitment to be the first generation to leave our environment in a better state.

Links:

- Press Notice: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/environment-secretary-to-set-out-plans-to-restore-nature-and-build-back-greener-from-the-pandemic
- Environment Secretary George Eustice's speech at Delamere Forest on restoring nature and building back greener: https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/environment-secretary-speech-at-delamere-forest-on-restoring-nature-and-building-back-greener
- Policy paper: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nature-for-people-climate-and-wildlife
- Written Ministerial Statement: https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2021-05-18/hcws38

2.1.3 Finance Bill – Red Diesel Usage

The Clerk had sent a letter to the Brigg & Goole MP asking that IDBs should also be considered for an exemption from the new legal requirements as per the Agricultural sector. ADA has also held meetings with DEFRA to discuss this issue.

Clarification to the new entitlements proposed in the Summary of Responses

ADA contacted HM Treasury to clarify these with regards to IDB/RMA usage:



 In agriculture, forestry, horticulture and fish farming. This includes agricultural vehicles used for cutting verges and hedges, snow and flooding clearance and gritting roads.

ADA asked whether this could be assumed to include the management of ditches, embankments and watercourses etc by IDBs. Environment Agency etc?

HM Treasury reply: Agricultural entitlement: The text you refer to relates to vehicles (e.g. tractors) that are mainly being used for agricultural purposes, so IDBs or EA vehicles wouldn't qualify. The reason we are allowing agricultural vehicles to do these non-agricultural activities (like cutting verges or snow/flood clearance) is to avoid a situation where they are the only vehicles available to do this in a particular area (e.g. because purpose-built snow clearance machines can't access) but cannot because they are using red diesel.

• **Non-commercial power generation**, including households who rely on red diesel for electricity generation in areas not connected to the electricity grid.

ADA asked whether IDBs and EA as public authorities are both non-commercial in nature and utilise red-diesel for power generation in pumping stations in a number of locations.

HM Treasury reply: Non-commercial power generation: The intention here is that this exemption will only cover the red diesel used for the heating and electricity generation in a non-commercial premise. Assuming the pumping station isn't commercial, then red diesel could be used to make electricity to power the pump, but it couldn't be used to power the pump directly.

is therefore unlikely that IDBs will be granted an exemption and should plan to use white diesel or bio fuels. The Board's contractor(s) will be contacted to discuss the implication.

2.2 Policy

DEFRA have released a revised set of "Standing Orders" that will allow IDBs to hold virtual meetings in the future. The Order can be found at Appendix A and the Board are requested to approve the document.

2.3 Environment Agency

2.3.1 Humber FRMS 2100+

The Strategy groups have been reviewing the 25-year Theme Based Scenarios across the Humber area and making observations as to their impacts both positive and negative. The target for public consultation on the selected scenarios (5 plus barrier options) will be in the Autumn of this year.



3. Financial Report

Recommendations:

- To note the information contained in this report
- To approve Section 1 of the AGAR (item 3.4)
- To approve the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2021 (item 3.6)
- To approve Section 2 of the AGAR (item 3.7)
- 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 31 March 2021: -

	£	£
Balance Brought forward as at 1 April 2020		NIL
-		
2020/2021 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		258,570.17
Less Paid: -		
Drainage Rates		5,452.36
Special Levies – East Riding of Yorkshire Council	253,084.00	253,084.00
Total Drainage Rates Paid		<u>258,536.36</u>
-		
Balance Outstanding as at 31 March 2021		<u>33.81</u>



3.2 List of Payments

Payments made since those reported at the previous meeting:

DA	TE	REF	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL	
					PAYMENT	
20	21				£	
Jan	4th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Lloyds Commercial Fees	52.40	*
	13th	66	Vodafone	Telemetry Lines	39.40	*
	18th		JBA Consulting	Fee Accounts: -		
		51		Management Services - November 2020	3,526.57	
		63		Management Services - December 2020	4,111.50	
		64		IDB Modelling Study	3,709.20	
		55-60	LAW Electrical (Selby) Ltd	Pumping Station Maintenance	4,318.14	
		61-2,68	Oriel Systems Ltd	Telemetry Maintenance Contract, etc.	4,108.69	
		-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	2.38	*
		-	HSBC	Bank Fees	8.30	*
	20th	67	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	110.09	*
Feb	2nd	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Lloyds Commercial Fees	50.20	*
	15th	76	Vodafone	Mobile Telephone	39.40	*
	18th		HSBC	Bank Fees	0.12	*
			HSBC	Bank Fees	6.50	*
	19th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	3.33	*
	22nd	79	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Hook Clough PS	569.30	*
				Supply to Southfield Lane PS	80.21	*
				Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	259.39	*
				Membership Fees	62.86	*
Mar	2nd	70-74	LAW Electrical (Selby) Ltd	Pumping Station Maintenance	1,941.72	
		69,75	Sweeting Brothers Ltd	Maintenance	9,928.51	
	8th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Lloyds Commercial Fees	51.00	*
	17th	78	Vodafone	Mobile Telephone	39.40	*
	19th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	1.60	*
	21st	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	6.50	*
	22nd	80	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Downes Ground PS	3,050.74	*
				Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	352.15	*
				Supply to Potter Grange PS	564.71	*
	31st	82	BJW Cranes Ltd	Orchard Cottage PS - Crane Hire	1,180.80	
		83-6	LAW Electrical (Selby) Ltd	Pumping Station Maintenance	2,573.04	
		87	Oriel Systems Ltd	Potter Grange PS - Telemetry Maintenance	1,090.15	
		88	Perry's Pumps	Orchard Cottage PS - Pump Refurbishment	20,481.60	
		77	Sweeting Brothers Ltd	Orchard Cottage PS - Hardstanding	1,555.20	
Apr	5th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Lloyds Commercial Fees	50.60	*
	6th	7	Public Works Loan Board	Loan Repayment	3,687.02	*
	12th		JBA Consulting	Fee Accounts: -		
		90		Management Services - January 2021	3,881.36	
		91		Management Services - February 2021	3,864.80	
	14th	89	Vodafone	Mobile Telephone	39.40	*
	18th	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	6.50	*
	19th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	1.50	*
	20th	92	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	303.38	*
May	4th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Lloyds Commercial Fees	51.80	*
	12th	1	JBA Consulting	Management Fees - March 2021	5,092.28	
		93	LAW Electrical (Selby) Ltd	Southfield Lane PS - Pump Refit	3,260.37	
		94	Sow & Penk IDB	EVO Cardnet Fee 2020/21	16.41	



14th	-	Vodafone	Mobile Telephone	66.55	*
18th	-	Lloyds Bank plc	Bank Fees	1.75	*
	-	HSBC	Bank Fees	6.50	*
20th	-	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	Supply to Orchard Cottage PS	410.44	*
			Supply to Hook Clough PS	1,887.71	*
			Supply to Southfield Lane PS	175.89	*
			Membership Fees	119.50	*
		Total Amount of all Payments		86,798.86	
		*Total Amount of Direct Debits &	& Cheques Approved by the Clerk Only	12,158.52	

3.3 Audit

3.3.1 Internal Audit

The Internal Audit of the Board's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 is underway and is expected to be completed before the meeting. A copy of the report will be available for inspection at the meeting.

3.3.2 External Audit

The required financial statements and AGAR will be sent to the external auditor within the predetermined timescales.

3.4 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2020/21

Members are asked to review and approve Section 1 of the AGAR which can be viewed at Appendix B (page 29).



3.5 Budget Comparison for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	<u> </u>	ESTIMATES	FOR TH	E YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021		
	2020	/21		08/06/2021	2020/	21
Appro		Actu	al		% of Bu	
Estim		Out T			70 01 24	<u></u>
£	£	£	£			
_	_			INCOME		
				Drainage Rates on District 1:-		
196		196		4.9p in £ on Av of £4,004	100%	
				Drainage Rates on District 2:-	.0070	
5,290		5,290		4.9p in £ on Av of £106,155		
3,290		3,290		Special Levies		
				East Riding of Yorkshire - District 1		
244,097		244,097		4.9p in £ on Av of £4,981,575	100%	
1-1,007		244,007		East Riding of Yorkshire - District 2	10070	
8,987		8,987		4.9p in £ on Av of £271,778		
0,00.		0,00.		Other Income:-		
20,000		21,243		Department of Transport	106%	
50		3,024		Other Income	6047%	
0		0		Grant in Aid	0%	
0	278,620	40	282,877	Bank Interest	0%	1029
_	,		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
				EXPENDITURE		
70,926		68,860		Environment Agency Precept	97%	
7,374		7,374		Board Loans	100%	
54,595		48,406		Administration	89%	
3,500		3,578		Other Expenditure	102%	
31,500		20,132		Drain Maintenance	64%	
<u>44,975</u>	212,870	54,344	202,694	Pumping Stations	121%	959
	65,750		80,183	Surplus - (Deficit)		1229
	232,283		268,707	Balance Brought Forward		
	75,000			Transfer to Capital Reserve Acc		
	223,033		273,890	Balance Carried Forward		



			CAPITAI	L RESERVE ACCOUNT		
		ESTIMATES	FOR TH	E YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021		
	2020			08/06/2021	2020/2	1
Appro		Budo				
Estimate		Toda			% of Buc	
£	£	£	£		£	£
				INCOME		
0		0		Contribution from Other Accounts	0%	
0		0		Grant in Aid	0%	
0		0		PWLB Loan	0%	
0		0		Contribution to Capital works	0%	
0	0	<u>19</u>	19	Bank Interest	0%	
				EXPENDITURE		
		5,961		Catchment Flood Man Plan		
0		7,223		Catchment Modelling	0%	
0		0		Pumping station refurbishments	0%	
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	13,184	Asset Inspection	0%	
	0		(13,165)	Surplus - (Deficit)	0%	
	86,637		125,219	Balance Brought Forward	145%	
	75,000			Transfer from Revenue Acc	0%	
	161,637		187.054	Balance Carried Forward	116%	

3.6 Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

The Board's accounts (partially audited) for the year ending 31 March 2021 are included as a separate item in your pack.

3.7 Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) Section 2 – Financial Statements 2020/21

Members are asked to review and approve Section 2 of the AGAR which can also be viewed at Appendix B (page 29).



4. Engineer's Report

Recommendations:

· Note the information contained in this report

4.1 Asset Management

4.1.1 Asset Management

The Boards last pumping station capitol refurbishment works programme commenced in 2005. The business cases completed at the time undertaken by Grantham Brundall and Farron concluded that the works undertaken at this particular time would be suitable for a further 15 – 20 years, before another refurbishment or pumping station replacement scheme should be considered.

Pumping Station	Year Refurbished / Completed	Approx. Refurbishment Cost -£/K
Downes Ground PS	2005	£194K
Hook Clough PS	2005	£158K
Orchard Cottage PS	2008	£86.5K
New Potter PS	2007	£52.5K
Southfield Lane PS	1997	£39.5K
TOTAL	-	£491K (Excl. Southfield Lane PS)

The table above indicates the costs associated with each pumping station during the last refurbishment scheme period.

A direction the Board may wish to consider is the following:

- To complete a strategic level study of the pumping station arrangements within the district. This
 can be linked to the hydraulic modelling study already undertaken. This could include a review
 of options available to the Board. But ultimately conclude that water level management within
 the Boards catchment could be utilised using 3 of the 5 stations, although capacity
 improvements at two sites would be required.
- Following the above a business case report informing of the outline development. Two reports based on the pairing of a pumping station that needs to be improved, with a remainder station to be decommissioned / demolished.
- An Asset / Structural survey to be completed dependent upon the above outcomes.
- Undertake designs to incorporate the report's recommendations.
- Progress with the construction and or refurbishment.

4.1.2 Pumping Stations

Downes Ground Pumping Station.

Board officers have encountered electrical communication difficulties between the telemetry, the water level sensors, the control panel and the duty selector. Electrical relays have been substituted. During the drier months this season the water level electrodes have been raised fractionally. The travel sensors within the gantry of the weed screen cleaner require investigation.



Hook Clough Pumping Station.

Northern Power commissioned standby generators following the localised lightning strikes of the 12th May to the pumping station. LAW Electrical provided support to ensure that the 3 phases were connected correctly to ensure that there was not any significant motor rewind on connection from Northern Power.

Southfield Lane Pumping Station.

The submersible pump has been repaired and reinstated. The pump supporting beams within the concrete sump had partially failed this was replaced at the same time.

The outfall connection within the sump requires investigation.

New Potter Pumping Station

The Friends of Oakhill had reported debris within the watercourse upstream of the pumping station compound.

Orchard Cottage Pumping Station

An intermittent communications issue has arisen when a shortage of power supply occurs, the standby batteries have been replaced.

4.1.3 Hydraulic Modelling

With the pumping station refurbishments scheduled for the coming years, further options testing has been undertaken to establish if any long-term benefits would be available to the Board.

4.2 Maintenance

4.2.1 Ordinary Watercourses

With the dry conditions earlier this year, followed by a prolonged wet spell and then dry and warm weather has encouraged prolific weed growth with certain primary watercourses within the district. Downes Ground main drain will receive an early weed cut to remove the vegetation within the centre of the channel. The reason for this is should we receive a significant rainfall event and a prolonged wet spell and the water levels within the watercourse require to dropped rapidly, the early watercourse maintenance will prevent the blanket weed "cot" causing blockages at either the culverts or at the pumping stations screen.

4.2.2 Planning Applications

Between 25 January 2021 and 8 June 2021, the board officers have reviewed planning applications which may affect the board and commented on 35 of these.

4.2.3 Land Drainage Act 1991 Section 23 and 66 (20th Byelaws)

1 consent application has been granted between 25 January 2021 and 8 June 2021. Two more are currently on hold awaiting further information from the applicant and one more is currently under consideration.

4.2.4 LDA 1991, Section 23 breach

Nothing to report.

4.3 Environment Agency

4.3.1 NaFRA2

Nothing to Report.



5. Environmental Report

Recommendation:

Note the information contained in this report

5.1 Legislation

5.1.1 ELMS and NFM

Within some fora, Defra's intent in promoting Natural Flood Management (NFM) or Working with Natural Processes as a method of man*aging flood risk has been questioned. The purpose of this information is to advise on the current situation. Under the Flood & Water Management Act 2010, the Environment Agency is responsible for setting the National Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England. The second of these strategies was approved by Parliament in 2020. An Internal Drainage Board (IDB) must have regard to these strategies when formulating its own work programme.

The 2020 National Strategy¹ refers to Flood and Coastal Risk Management activities which could work in combination with traditional flood and coastal defences including natural flood management. The term NFM is referred to multiple times within the National Strategy. It also references the significant evidence of the benefits of working with natural processes which already exists in the Environment Agency's NFM evidence base and case studies.

The Government has also published a literature review on the research findings and best practice from stakeholders involved in delivering natural flood management projects. There is a growing number of demonstration projects that improve understanding of NFM techniques and how they can work best in practice. In 2017 the government announced a £15 million pilot programme to learn more about NFM working with communities, land managers, catchment partnerships and coastal groups around England.

An IDB is defined as a Risk Management Authority in the Flood & Water Management Act, which itself amended the Land Drainage Act. As such, an IDB may undertake Flood Risk Management work as set out in the Land Drainage Act 1991 (as amended) if:

14 (A)(6) the purpose of the work is to manage a flood risk in the authority's area from an ordinary watercourse or,

- 14 (A)(9) (a), (b) or (f), which are:
 - (a) to maintain existing works (including buildings and structures) including cleansing, repairing or otherwise maintaining the efficiency of an existing watercourse or drainage work.
 - (b) to operate existing works (such as sluice gates or pumps).
 - (f) to monitor, investigate or survey a location or a natural process.

Clause 14(A)(9)(f) speaks to NFM in managing a flood risk by slowing the flow and reducing the speed peak flows reach urban areas.

IDBs are constituted in parts of the country requiring special drainage, associated with the original role as a Land Drainage Authority to assist with managed drainage of agricultural land.

The new Farming is Changing booklet² released by Defra recently advises the new Environmental Land Management Scheme (ELMS) informs actions that contribute to delivering public goods will include:

- protection from and mitigation of environmental hazards
- mitigation of and adaptation to climate change



Floods and flooding are an environmental hazard, therefore a landowner wishing to employ NFM processes within his land holding, will be offering protection from and mitigation of that environmental hazard.

NFM processes used in association with mitigation of and adaption to climate change could represent actions to include the flooding of grassland which may occur when NFM processes are employed.

Within an IDB District these works will require the consent of the IDB and as such, this Board could agree to work with any ratepayers interested in this ELMS option for providing public good, through that consenting process.

Local Nature Recovery agreements will also pay farmers and land managers for actions that support local nature recovery and deliver local environmental priorities.

Defra is serious about the use of NFM techniques which it sees as a sustainable and costeffective way in which to manage flood risk, which IDBs as public bodies will be expected to support.

REFERENCES

- 1. "National Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy" available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-flood-and-coastal-erosion-risk-management-strategy-for-england--2
- 2. "Farming is Changing" available at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attach ment_data/file/939683/farming-changing.pdf

5.2 Policy

5.2.1 Biodiversity Action Plan

Les Rogers, a local conservationist interested in Board activities, provided this photograph of a water vole on Hook Drain immediately north of Long Lane, Hook in late March this year. BAP species surveys are ongoing







6. Health and Safety Report

Recommendations:

To note the information contained in the report

6.1 Accident, Incidents and near misses

Nothing to report.

6.2 Contractor Management

Board officers are currently seeking the Watercourse Maintenance contractors Insurance certificates and associated RAMS for this coming season. The M&E contractor H&S updates were received earlier this year.

6.3 Risk Assessment

Nothing to report.

6.4 COVID-19

As the country slowly comes out of the lockdown restrictions, the Board's day to day activities remain virtually unaffected.

Board operations

During this period, the Board's day to day activities have not been adversely affected.

7. Representation

Officers represent the Board in several fora:

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

8. Date of Next Meeting

9 November 2021.



9. APPENDIX A – Standing Orders

A copy of the draft standing orders along with the certificate from the Secretary of State can be found over the following pages.

Rules made by Ancholme Internal Drainage Board with the approval of the Secretary of State under paragraph 3(1) of the Second Schedule to the Land Drainage Act, 1991. The relevant statutory provisions governing the proceedings of an Internal Drainage Board are set out in the Annex to these Rules for reference purposes

Regulations as to Proceedings

- 1. Meetings of the Board, for which 14 days notice will be given, will be open to the public and press who will on the invitation of the Chairman be able to speak at the meeting. The Board can name a resolution to exclude the public and/or press from a meeting or part thereof:
 - a) The Board will hold an Annual Public Meeting.
 - b) The Board will hold a meeting at which the drainage rate and special levies will be set to enable the latter to be served on the special levy council by no later than the 15th February in respect to the following financial year.
 - c) In the event of the need for an emergency meeting the notice will be waived.
 - d) The Board will hold a meeting following an election of members of the board at which the election of the Chairman and Vice Chairman will be made.
- 2. For each meeting, other than for one arranged as an emergency meeting, members will receive an Agenda and any accompanying papers by post or other means despatched at least seven days before the meeting.
- 3. No business shall be transacted by the Board, other than that which appears on the Agenda, unless 75% of the members present agree to any such additional issue being discussed.
 - a) A formal meeting of the Board cannot be conducted unless one third (5) members are present at the start of and during the meeting. If departures reduce the number below one third (5) then the Chairman will terminate the meeting at that point.
 - b) All resolutions and proposals will be decided by a majority of votes of the members present.
 - c) In the case of an equality of votes at any meeting, the Chairman for the time being of such meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
- 4. The Board shall choose to meet at a place to be confirmed on the Agenda, including: in person, by remote attendance, or a combination of the two. A place where a meeting is held, or to be held, includes reference to more than one place including electronic, digital or virtual locations such as internet locations, web addresses or conference call telephone numbers. A member in remote attendance is present if they are able at that time——
 - (a)to hear, and where practicable see, and be so heard and, where practicable, be seen by, the other members in attendance,

(b)to hear, and where practicable see, and be so heard and, where practicable, been seen by any members of the public entitled to attend part or all, of the meeting.

- 5. The Board shall, as soon as they conveniently can, appoint a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for a period not exceeding three years. The term of office of such Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall continue until the first meeting of the Board after the next election following his appointment.
- 6. If any vacancy occurs in the office of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, the Board shall as soon as they conveniently can after the occurrence of such vacancy, choose someone of their number to fill such vacancy.
- 7. a) At any meeting of the Board the Chairman, if present, shall preside.
 - b) If the Chairman is absent from a meeting of the Board, the Vice-Chairman, if present, shall preside.
 - c) If at any meeting of the Board both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are not present at the time the members present shall choose someone of their number to be Chairman of such meeting.
- 8. The Board shall cause Minutes to be made of all meetings and recorded in an appropriate form:
 - a) of all appointments of Officers made by the Board
 - b) of the names of the members present at each meeting of the Board and Committees or Sub-Committees of the Board
 - c) of all orders made by the Board and Committees or Sub-Committees of the Board, and
 - d) of all resolutions and proceedings of meetings of the Board and of Committees or Sub-Committees of the Board.

The Board will approve, with or without amendment, the minutes of the preceding meeting and these will be duly signed by the Chairman together with any financial statements presented at that meeting.

9. All proceedings, resolutions and reports of every Committee or Sub-Committee intended to be laid before the Board shall be circulated among the members of the Board at least seven days before the meeting of the Board at which the same are to be submitted.



Committees or Sub-Committees

- 10. The Board may appoint such Committees or Sub-Committees as they think fit but all acts of any Committee or Sub-Committee shall be subject to the approval of the Board unless the Board has delegated its powers to that Committee or Sub-Committee to deal with a specific issue.
- 11. A Committee or Sub-Committee may elect a Chairman of their meetings. If no such Chairman is elected, or if he is not present, the members present shall choose someone of their number to be Chairman of such meeting.
- 12. A Committee or Sub-Committee may meet and adjourn as they think proper. Proposals at any meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present. In case of any equal division of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- 13. Regulations 8 and 9 shall apply to minutes of Committees and Sub-Committees.

Standing Orders Order of Debate

- 14. Every proposal or amendment, other than a proposal for the approval of a Committee or Sub-Committee, shall be proposed and seconded and shall, if required, be submitted to the Chairman who shall read it out before it is further discussed or put to the meeting.
- 15. The Chairman will invite members to speak on the subject under discussion.
- 16. Members must declare where they have an interest in a matter to be discussed, the Chairman then deciding what if any part the member can take in any ensuing discussion and whether the member can vote.
- 17. A proposal or amendment once made shall not be withdrawn without the consent of the Board.
- 18. Every amendment shall be relevant to the proposal to which it is applied.
- 19. Whenever an amendment upon an original resolution has been proposed and seconded, no second or subsequent amendment shall be moved until the first amendment shall have been dealt with but notice of any number of amendments may be given.
- 20. If an amendment is rejected then other amendments may be proposed on the original resolution or proposal.
- 21. If an amendment is carried the proposal as amended shall take the place of the original proposal and shall become the question upon which any further amendment may be moved.

- 22. No proposal to rescind any resolution which has been passed within the preceding six months, nor any proposal to the same effect as any proposal which has been negatived within the preceding six months shall be in order unless: (a) notice thereof has been given and specified in the Agenda and (b) the notice bears, in addition to the name of the member who proposed the resolution, the names of two other members; and when such resolution or proposal has been disposed of by the Board, it shall not be competent for any member to propose a similar proposal within a further period of six months.
- 23. Order 23 shall not apply to proposals which are moved by the Chairman or other members of the Committee or Sub-Committee in pursuance of the report of the Committee.

Common Seal

- 24. The Common Seal of the Board shall be kept in some safe place. All deeds and other documents to which the Common Seal of the Board shall require to be affixed shall be sealed in pursuance of the Board, and in the presence of both the Chairman and the Chief Executive of the Board.
- 25. Copies of all sealed documents must be retained.

Suspension of Standing Orders

26. Any one or more of the standing orders, in any case of urgency or upon resolution or proposal made on a notice duly given, may be suspended at any meeting, so far as regards any business at such meeting, provided that 75% of the members of the Board present and voting are in agreement.

STATUTORY PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PROCEEDINGS OF AN INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF SCHEDULE 2 TO THE LAND DRAINAGE ACT, 1991.

Proceedings of internal drainage board

- 3. (1) An internal drainage board may, with the approval of the relevant Minister, make rules-
 - (a) for regulating the proceedings of the board, including quorum, place of meetings and notices to be given of meetings;
 - (b) with respect to the appointment of a chairman and a vice-chairman;
 - (c) for enabling the board to constitute committees; and
 - (d) for authorising the delegation to committees of any of the powers of the board and for regulating the proceedings of committees, including quorum, place of meetings and notices to be given of meetings.
 - (2) The first meeting of an internal drainage board shall be held on such day and at such time and place as may be fixed by the relevant Minister; and the relevant Minister shall cause

notice of the meeting to be sent by post to each member of the board not less than fourteen days before the appointed day.

- (3) Any member of an internal drainage board who is interested in any company with which the board has, or proposes to make, any contract shall—
- (a) disclose to the board the fact and nature of his interest; and
- (b) take no part in any deliberation or decision of the board relating to such contract;

and such disclosure shall be forthwith recorded in the minutes of the board.

- (4) A minute of the proceedings of a meeting of an internal drainage board, or of a committee of such a board, purporting to be signed at that or the next ensuing meeting by a person describing himself as, or appearing to be, the chairman of the meeting to the proceedings of which the minute relates—
- (a) shall be evidence of the proceedings; and
- (b) shall be received in evidence without further proof.
- (5) Until the contrary is proved—
- (a) every meeting in respect of the proceedings of which a minute has been so signed shall be deemed to have been duly convened and held;
- (b) all the proceedings had at any such meeting shall be deemed to have been duly had; and
- (c) where the proceedings at any such meeting are the proceedings of a committee, the committee shall be deemed to have been duly constituted and to have had power to deal with the matters referred to in the minute.
- (6) The proceedings of an internal drainage board shall not be invalidated by any vacancy in the membership of the board or by any defect in the appointment or qualification of any member of the board.

EARBY AND SALTERFORTH, GOOLE & AIRMYN, GOOLE FIELDS DISTRICT, SOW AND PENK, RIVER LUGG, ANCHOLME INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS AND SCUNTHORPE AND GAINSBOROUGH WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

STANDING ORDERS

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by virtue of the power contained in paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the Land Drainage Act 1991, HEREBY APPROVES these standing orders.

C. A. Tidward

C A Tidmarsh for and on behalf of the Secretary of State Date: 26 May 2021



10. APPENDIX B - Sections of the AGAR

Copies of the relevant sections of the Annual Governance and Accendibility Return (AGAR) can be found over the following pages

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2020/21

We acknowledge as the members of:

Goole & Airmyn IDB

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2021, that:

Agreed								
	Yes	No*	'Yes' me	ans that this authority:				
We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	✓			d its accounting statements in accordance Accounts and Audit Regulations.				
We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	✓			oper arrangements and accepted responsibility quarding the public money and resources in e.				
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓			done what it has the legal power to do and has d with Proper Practices in doing so.				
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	✓			ne year gave all persons interested the opportunity to and ask questions about this authority's accounts.				
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	✓			ed and documented the financial and other risks it dealt with them properly.				
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	✓		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financi controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whethe internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.					
We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	✓		responde external	ed to matters brought to its attention by internal and audit.				
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	✓			d everything it should have about its business activity ne year including events taking place after the year levant.				
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A ✓	has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.				

^{*}Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:	Signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:		
DD/MM/YY	ll.		
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and recorded as minute reference:	Chairman		
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Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2020/21 for

Goole & Airmyn IDB

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2020 £	31 March 2021 £	Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records.
Balances brought forward	452,017	584,315	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	258,570	258,570	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	83,247	24,353	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	0	0	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	7,374	7,374	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	202,145	208,503	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	584,315	651,361	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	580,813	652,893	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	1,771,682	1,772	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	63,429	58,858	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
(For Local Councils Only) Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)		Yes No	The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
			N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2021 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Date

DD/MM/YY

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

DD/MM/YY

as recorded in minute reference:

MINUTE REFERENCE

Signed by Chairman of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

SIGNATURE REQUIRED



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