

MINUTES OF SELBY AREA IDB MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 29th JANUARY 2026
AT 12 PARK STREET, SELBY

- 21 **Present** Mr J Dennis (Chairman), Mr C Clark, Mr C Fenteman, Mr J Cattanach, Mr J Mackman, Mr R Shepherd, Mr C Tindall, Mrs G Ivey, Mr M Jordan, Mr D Platt
- In attendance Mr N Everard (Clerk of the Board),
Mr P Jones (Consulting Engineer)
Mr I Chapman (Operations Manager)
- 22 **Apologies** Mr C Pearson, Mr P Roberts, Mr J Thirsk, Mr C Richardson
- 23 **Declaration of Interest** Mr J Cattanach declared his interest as a member of the Ouse and Derwent IDB.
- 24 **Minutes** The Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th November 2025 were approved and signed and there were no matters arising.
- 25 **Operations Manager's Report** The work for the excavators and tractors is now entering the time of the maintenance season when the vast majority of the accessible Board Watercourses have now had the annual maintenance completed. There are still plenty of watercourses that could be maintained by machinery, but crops restrict access.
- The Atlas 190LC excavator is finishing off the watercourses around the Newland /Carlton are.
- The Wacker Neuson EW100 wheeled excavator is working in the Wistow Lordship area de-weeding watercourses on grass margins. It will then be kept busy for the next few weeks working on roadside watercourses.
- The Hitachi 8 tonne excavator is working in the Cawood area then moving to Brotherton.
- The Wacker Neuson ET24 2.5tonne mini excavator still has plenty of small watercourse's that require maintenance work It has been working in the Cawood area and has now moved to the Drax area.
- A self-drive hire 8 tonne excavator is working in the Barlow area, this will be off hired by the end of January.
- Hand labour has been kept busy working on cleaning stretches of watercourse that are inaccessible by machinery. When the weather has been inclement the workforce has been painting the interior of Temple Hirst pumping station.

The workforce has maintenance work to do at the new depot and to move all the stock into these premises hopefully towards the end of February.

26 Health & Safety Report.

The Health and Safety Advisor reported that he was currently working on fire risk assessment for the new premises and provided background to some of the issues identified.

27 Consulting Engineers Report

New IDB Fund

A Mobile Pump demonstration was organised between the Shire Group, CHC and Hidrostral for all Boards and Hidrostral will also organise further visits to each Board after receipt of mobile pump equipment to assist with queries on equipment setup and ensure all items received.

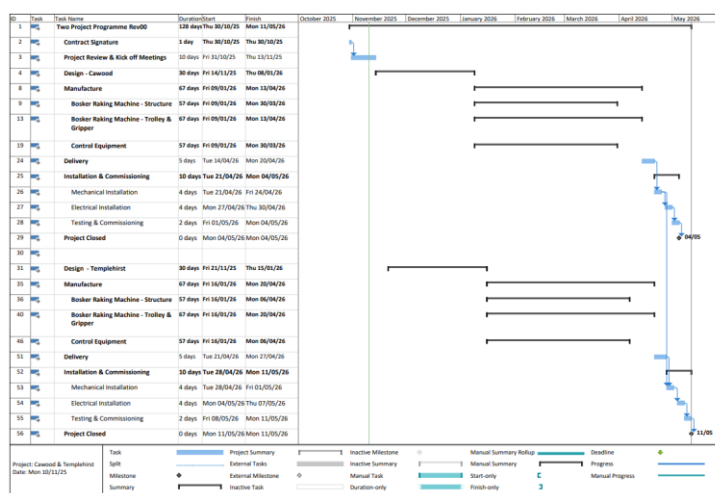
1no. 6" mobile Betsy pump trailer mounted, 1no. 1,000 litre bunded fuel tank (trailer mounted), 40m suction hose, 75m layflat hose bauer, 30m high pressure hose, bauer strainers, 90° bends, 45° bends, tracking & existing installed, fuel lines; 8" hoses to suit an existing pump with stillages; 3" & 4" hoses to suit existing pumps and trailer have been received with security lighting; mobile welfare; and rotating grab in progress.

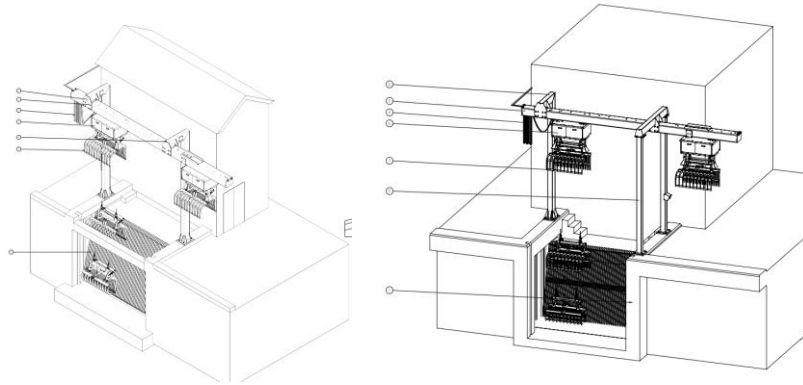
A full list of equipment to be transferred from Ancholme IDB to Selby Area IDB be provided for insurance purposes.

Bishop Dyke Pump Station, Cawood

The Environment Agency has invited the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Finance Committee members and Officers to attend the newly refurbished station which has been handed over from Yorkshire Water to the Environment Agency.

Temple Hirst & Cawood Marshes PS (Weedscreen Cleaners):





Telemetry Replacement: CCTV was installed inside the control houses of Cawood Marshes PS, Great Clough PS, Coates Marsh PS and Hirst Marsh PS to assist with operational monitoring over the winter period and the Suppliers anticipate the following programme moving forwards:

May-June (First of Type Installs & Review)

01 Cawood Marshes PS

02 Great Clough PS

July

O3 Wistow Road Pumping Station

O4 Roscarrs Pumping Station

August

O5a Lendall Pumping Station

O5b Lendall Pumping Station

September

O6 Little Airmyn Pumping Station

O7 Ings Clough Pumping Station

October

O8 Belfitt Pumping Station

O9 Coates Marsh Pumping Station

November

O10 Hirst Marsh Pumping Station

O11 Temple Hirst Pumping Station

December

O12 Chapel Haddlesey Pumping Station

January 2027

O13 Paperhouse Pumping Station

O14 Fleet Drain Pumping Station

February 2027

O15 Mearley Clough Pumping Station

O20 Qualters Pumping Station

Biodiversity Action Plan

Further to acceptance of the BAP at the last meeting BAP Implementation Costs are to be considered by the Finance committee moving forwards in 2026/27.

Planning Applications

Planning applications have been reviewed on a weekly basis and 25 have received comment on between October and December 2025 on behalf of the Board.

Applications may not result in a need for IDB consent, but should an applicant wish to discharge to a watercourse or work within 7 metres of a watercourse they are informed of the Boards Consent requirements.

- 28 **New Yard** The Clerk confirmed that the Board had exchanged and completed the purchase of the new yard on the 9th January 2026 in the sum of £780,000 against the budget approved by the Board of £990,000. Works were currently being ordered to secure the site and ensure that it is appropriately in accordance with insurance requirements before transferring assets from the existing yard. On instructions from the Finance Committee the Clerk had given notice to quit the existing yard. The Clerk is currently taking advice with regard to the existing 12 Park Street offices.
- 29 **Direct Labour** The Finance Committee had considered the recommendations made by ADA in accordance with White Book and recommend an increase of 5% with effect from 1st April 2026. The Board approved the recommendation.
- 30 **Boards Machinery** Following confirmation that the employee on a fixed term contract would not be seeking renewal, the Operations Manager had considered alternatives for the future maintenance of the area covered. A comparison had been made with regard to contract prices as against utilising an existing trained employee. On the basis of these costings he recommended that the Board acquire a tractor and flail mower for the Lower Aire area.
- From experience and the Boards own working knowledge it was recommend that a Herder mower be acquired from Mastonbroek. As this is specialist kit like for like quotes are not available. The price quoted for a Herder Rapier MBK230 flail mower was £84,000. It was noted that the current herder mower had been refurbished after five seasons and is continuing to operate successfully.

The Finance Committee approved the purchase as an order was required pre-Christmas in order to secure delivery for the maintenance season the Board approved the recommendation.

The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Operations Manager and Machine Operators had inspected four tractor types, the operator had short listed his preferences in order.

The following prices were considered:

Ripon Farm Services John Deere 6R175	£174,630
Ripon Farm Services John Deere 6M180	£151,571
Peacock & Binnington Fendt616 Power S1	£172,878
Farm Star Case185 Puma CVX	£143,000
Peacock & Binnington Massey Ferguson 7S.180S	£150,073
Peacock & Binnington Valtra T175ED	£158,572

The options were discussed in detail and on the basis of future maintenance concerns with other providers, the Finance Committee approved the acquisition of the Fendt Tractor from Peacock and Binnington. The Operations Manager was instructed to review warranties and servicing agreement.

The Board approved the recommendation.

- 31 **ADA Update** The Clerk circulated the activities report issued by ADA. ADA had also requested Board Member information to include position / job title, address, email and telephone number. This was for their own internal usage and that on all ADA communications sent there will also be an opt out option for the recipient to ensure compliance with GDPR. Any Board Member not wishing for this information to be shared with ADA should contact the Clerk directly.

- 32 **Audit** Following the query raised by external auditors, the Board reviewed and confirmed the reappointment and independence of Northern Internal Audit Services, Janet Bennett, as internal auditor of the board.

- 33 **Annual Values** The values of the Board as at 31st December 2025 were formally minuted as £2,034,511 in respect of agricultural land and buildings and other hereditaments of £17,173,244 total £19,207,755.

- 34 **Rating 2026/27** The Board considered the previous years budget together with the estimated forecast expenditure to 31st March 2026 and the budget for the forthcoming year. The Board resolved that the drainage rate being in the sum of 8.951p in the pound in respect of agricultural land and buildings in the District. It was resolved that a special levy be made on North Yorkshire Council in the sum of £1,537,177.

The Board approved that the common seal would be a fixed thereto.

- 35 **Reserves** The Board confirmed the following reserves policy as follows:

New Works and Plant – capital reserve – to provide for the replacement plant together with specified proposed new works.

Revenue and reserve – to provide for four months of the net annual revenue expenditure.

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| 36 | <u>Accounts for Payment</u> | The Board approved the Accounts for Payment schedule numbers 36, 1 and 2 in the sums of £233,753.43, £1,008,898.50 and £147,991.21 respectively. |
| 37 | <u>Next Meeting</u> | The next meeting of the Board will be held on 18 th June 2026. |

Mr C Clark ... Vice Chairman

25th June 2026 ... Date