

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

MINUTES

of the proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee

held remotely on
5th May 2021 at 10am

Members

Chairman - * Mr K C Casswell

* Cllr P Bedford

* Mr J Fowler

* Mr M Rollinson

* Mr M Brookes

* Mr P Holmes

* Member Present

In attendance: Mr D Withnall (Acting Chief Executive)
Mr P Cookson (Solicitor specialising in employment)
Mr C Harris (Internal Auditor)

Due to COVID-19, this meeting was held remotely in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

1765 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Agenda Item 1

There were no apologies of absence.

1766 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - Agenda Item 2

There were no declarations of interest.

1767 CONFIDENTIAL - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - Agenda Item 3

It was agreed and thereby RESOLVED to exclude the public from the next part of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

1768 ANY OTHER BUSINESS - Agenda Item 4

(a) POTENTIAL TO EXTEND THE BOARD'S CATCHMENT

The Chairman explained that Welland and Deeping IDB no longer wish to manage their extended area. The area was displayed on screen.

If the Board were to take it on, it would double the size of the Board's current catchment area.

The Chairman believed that, if manageable, the Board should take it on.

The Acting Chief Executive explained that, over a comparative set period, the Board's recharge was £850, in comparison to Welland & Deepings IDB having a recharge of £2,200 for this area, giving an indication for the amount of consent applications dealt with. It was further explained that the Board already complete a lot of work in the area for SKDC and so already have an involvement. To manage it, options would have to be considered in order to take some workload and pressure of the Planning and Byelaw Officer. The Acting Chief Executive felt it would be a positive step if the Board decided to take it on.

Committee members expressed their general support for the idea of taking the area on.

Mr M Rollinson added that it is a big decision to make and needs further investigation and consideration. He further questioned where the final destination of the water is from in that area, as he was of the opinion that the Board don't want to be taking on anything where the Board don't have any control of the end point.

The Acting Chief Executive noted that more information can be put together and presented to the Board.

The map will be circulated to committee members.

(b) 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE AMENDED

The Acting Chief Executive presented the below amended timetable for the Autumn / Winter 2021 Meetings in order to accommodate two works inspections in light of the Spring Works Committee Meetings being virtual meetings only with no inspection due to COVID-19.

Northern Works Inspection	Tuesday 7 th September	-
Southern Works Inspection	Tuesday 28 th September	-
Executive	Tuesday 12 th October	2pm
Audit & Risk	Tuesday 2 nd November	2pm
Board	Tuesday 23 rd November	2pm
Executive	Tuesday 14 th December	2pm

It was noted that the usual meeting day of a Wednesday has been changed to a Tuesday due to the Administration Assistant attending college on a Wednesday from September 2021.

The Acting Chief Executive noted that the new Board forms on the 1st November 2021 and there is a proposed Audit & Risk Meeting on the 2nd November and so it may need to be changed to before 1st November as the Board won't be formed until the Board meeting on the 23rd November.

These meeting dates will be presented to the Board to confirm.

(c) DEPOT / PLANT COSTS

The following depot / plant costs were displayed on screen.

- Extractor fan (HSE compliance) £4,650
- Gate (motor upgrade & HSE Compliance) £2,600
- Store Door (Wear & Tear, coming off rollers) £5,140
- Total charge: £12,390

All AGREED that these works are necessary and to proceed with them being funded from the Plant Replacement Reserve..

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12:07.