

BLACK SLUICE

INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD



Board Meeting

Tuesday, 8th February 2022 at 2:00pm

Virtual Meeting



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To the Chairman and Members of the Board

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Board will be held remotely on Tuesday, 8th February 2022 at 2:00pm at which your attendance is requested.

Officers of the Board, and members of the Executive Committee, are invited to attend the offices of the Board for the meeting, should they wish to do so. Due to COVID-19, we request that all other members of the Board attend virtually. A Microsoft Teams meeting invite will be circulated.

Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. Recording the meeting.
2. Apologies for Absence.
3. Declarations of Interest.
4. To receive and, if correct, sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 23rd November 2021 **(pages 1 - 18)**
5. Matters arising.
6. To receive the unconfirmed Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 18th January 2022 **(pages 19 - 28)** and consider the following reports:
 - (a) 2022/23 Budget and Ten-Year Estimates Report **(pages 29 - 36)**
 - (i) Budget with 10 Year Estimates **(page 37)**
 - (ii) 2022/23 Summary budget by month **(page 38)**
 - (iii) 2022/23 Detailed budget by month **(page 39)**
 - (iv) 10 Year Capital Schemes **(page 40)**
 - (v) 2022/23 Wages On-cost Reserve budget **(page 41)**
 - (vi) 10 Year Plant replacement budget **(page 42)**
 - (vii) 2021/22 Cumulative Solar Panel Report **(page 43)**
 - (b) Guidance from ADA regarding Red Diesel **(pages 44 - 47)**
7. Final Budget with 10 Year Estimates (amended Penny Rate & V2 Gas Oil) **(pages 48 & 49)**
8. To receive the Period 09 Management Accounts **(pages 50 - 56)** & Quarter 3 Forecast **(pages 57 - 59)**
9. To review the Risk Register **(page 60)**
10. To consider reports on the following:
 - (a) Monthly Accounts: November 2021 & December 2021 **(pages 61 - 66)**
 - (b) Monthly Accounts (Woldmarsh): November & December 2021 **(pages 67 & 68)**
 - (c) Schedule of Consents Issued: November 2021 to January 2022 **(pages 69 - 71)**
 - (d) Rainfall **(pages 72 & 73)**
11. To receive the draft ADA Lincs Branch Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd December 2021 **(pages 74 - 83)**
12. To authorise the Chairman and Finance Manager to seal the Rate for 2022/23 **(page 84)**
13. Any Other Business.

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

MINUTES

of the proceedings of a Meeting of the Board
held at Hubberts Bridge Community Centre on
23rd November 2021 at 2pm

Members

Chair - * Mr K C Casswell

Mr W Ash	* Cllr T Ashton
* Mr J Atkinson (Virtual)	* Cllr R Austin
* Mr V Barker	* Cllr P Bedford (Virtual)
* Mr J Fowler	* Cllr M Cooper
* Mr P Holmes	Cllr F Pickett
* Mr M Leggott	* Cllr P Skinner
* Mr P Robinson	* Cllr M Head
* Mr M Rollinson (Virtual)	* Cllr P Moseley
* Mr R Needham	Cllr S Walsh
* Mr C Wray	* Mr M Brookes

* Member Present

In attendance: Mr I Warsap (Chief Executive)
Mr D Withnall (Finance Manager)
Mr P Nicholson (Operations Manager)
Mr M Wray (Environment Agency)
Mr P Reilly (Environment Agency) (Virtual)

1886 RECORDING THE MEETING - Agenda Item 1

Members were informed that the meeting would be recorded.

1887 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD - Agenda Item 2

On the proposition of Mr M Brookes, seconded by Cllr M Cooper and a show of hands it was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr K C Casswell be appointed Chair of the Board for the next three years.

1888 APPOINTMENT OF THE VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD - Agenda Item 3

On the proposition of Mr J Fowler, seconded by Mr P Robinson and a show of hands it was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr P Holmes be appointed Vice Chair of the Board for the next three years.

1889 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Agenda Item 4

Apologies for absence were received from Mr W Ash, Cllr S Walsh

The Chair welcomed the new members of the Board, Mr M Leggott, Mr R Needham and Mr C Wray, to their first meeting and welcomed Mr M Wray and Mr P Reilly from the Environment Agency.

1890 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - Agenda Item 5

There were no declarations of interest.

1891 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE BLACK SLUICE OUTFALL & LOCK OPERATOINAL OVERVIEW AND BLACK SLUICE OPERATOINAL CONTINGENCY PLAN (OCP) FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY (EA) – Agenda Item 6

Mr M Wray introduced himself as Flood Risk Manager at the Environment Agency (EA), and Mr P Reilly, Operations Manager at the EA.

Mr M Wray noted a document handed out to members which outlines the answers to the questions previously asked to the EA, of which are included within the meeting agenda.

The Chief Executive expressed his thanks to the EA for the positive tone taken in the response to the questions, noting the understanding that partnership is key.

Mr M Wray added that he hopes this document will provide some confidence in that the EA do follow a set procedure during emergency events.

The Operations Manager explained to the Board that he has had previous engagement with the EA around this documentation and is satisfied that as much as can be done, has been to gain an understanding of the EA's operational procedure for the Black Sluice Outfall and Lock Complex.

The Operations Manager next referred to the documentation provided by the EA to all members, focusing on a specific part of the written responses to each question as follows.

1. *'We have concerns around the statement there are 'no hard and fast rule', could the lock be set to mirror the sluice during high rainfall events (i.e., operate on open and close with each tide)?*

The Operations Manager referred to the importance of communication, highlighted in the EA's response to the above question, noting that, learning from previous emergency events, it provides a much better position when sharing information. The Operations Manager noted that he would like to see the communication between the EA and Board's Officer's during emergency events continue.

Mr M Wray acknowledged this, further highlighting that it is written into the EA's procedures that they are to liaise with the Board's Officers.

Mr P Holmes thanked Mr M Wray and Mr P Reilly for their detailed response document. Mr P Holmes further referred to a statement within their response to this question; *'the requirements of maintaining a navigable waterway are not recommendations but the law'*, questioning at what point the law is 'overlooked' and the route of the SFFD negated? Mr M Wray responded that it has to operate within navigation requirements, but that the EA have control of water levels which impacts on navigation.

2. *'These assets are as you state, 'dual-purpose assets' but when they are being used for a fluvial emergency, they require local knowledge to manage them correctly, not as has happened in the past when a regional FIDO does not know geographically where the Black Sluice Complex is and what purpose it serves, i.e. as the only significant outlet for the South Forty Foot Catchment.'*

The Operations Manager noted the 34 pump catchments and 37 sub catchments the Board maintain and the maintenance of levels in these catchments during an emergency event. The Board want to work with the EA, who can evacuate water from the South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD) in order to allow the Board to continue pumping and provide its service. However, the Operations Manager did note that during a previous event, at least one tide was missed, potentially due to the inexperience of the EA Duty Officer on shift. The Operations Manager therefore noted that the Board needs confidence in the EA Duty Officer on shift at the time.

Mr P Reilly responded by explaining that telemetry control will mean that Duty Officers are taken out of decision making as much as possible.

Both the Operations Manager and Chief Executive alluded to the concept of still learning based on the events being faced with and about learning together with the EA.

3. *'Once complete (previous statement from the EA was 'ready for the end of September 2021') we would request a complete Operational Overview Manual along with being placed on an update circular, this will become an appendix to our own Emergency Response Plan (ERP).'*

The Operations Manager questioned Mr M Wray as to when the manual will be completed?

Mr M Wray responded that the EA will be completing this over the next calendar year. He added that they are currently struggling in relation to recruitment and so other tasks have had to be prioritised. The knowledge is currently written into the Flood Incident Duty Officer (FIDO) procedure, and it is a case of building upon that.

The Chair acknowledged the difficulties around producing it, but noted that the EA said it would be produced three years ago.

Mr M Wray noted that there is already an operations and maintenance manual handbook on site, which members are welcome to come and view.

Mr M Brookes, as Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee, explained that the documentation is required urgently in order to satisfy the Board's Risk Register. Currently, risk 1.1(b), fluvial flooding from failure or overtopping of defences, has a high risk score of 6 and has done for the past three years. It was noted that the Internal Auditor is also anxious about this high risk score. The documentation from the EA is required to show that the Nav Lock will be open during emergency events, in order to reduce the risk to the Board. Mr M Brookes questioned if the EA have any document that could satisfy this?

Mr M Wray questioned if a 'tidied up' version of the document presented for today's meeting would be adequate?

Mr M Brookes responded that it needs to be a document signed off by the EA outlining the procedures and trigger levels for the Nav Lock to open, even if it is just a precis or statement to that effect.

Mr P Reilly responded that a statement could be provided, noting that the 'how, why, and when' detail is held within documents that are difficult to share.

The Operations Manager noted that the Board's Officers, and potentially any interested Board Members, would like to take the opportunity proposed by Mr M Wray and visit site to view the operations and maintenance manual.

4. *'What consideration/course of action will be taken for/during a catastrophic gravity outfall failure during a fluvial event? Through liaison with the FIDO and following our own Emergency Response Plan (ERP) we can reduce/stop lifting/pumping water into the South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD) but the eight uncontrolled highland carriers will continue gravitating high volumes of water into the SFFD. Are the EA introducing/allowing overtopping of the armoured/non-armoured low spots along the c62Km of the SFFD raised banks?*

If this is the case, we would like to know where any planned 'over-topping' locations are and confirmation the local residents/landowners have been made aware of this. With this knowledge we can also review our pumping requirement for these locations/sub-catchments within our ERP.

What plans are in place from the EA to armour the current un-armoured low spots to help reduce the possibility of a SFFD bank breach, resulting in flooding over our catchment and our additional costs associated with the additional water? If none of the above is in place it is time for some very serious consideration and discussion between our two organisations.'

The Operations Manager made reference to the Swaton Eau and armoured low spots identified through LIDAR. The Operations Manager questioned how much LIDAR is used and whether the SFFD is reliant on LIDAR?

Mr M Wray responded that LIDAR is used extensively, noting that its accuracy has improved. He further noted that topographical surveys are also used, questioning if the Operations Manager had a specific concern?

The Operations Manager responded that it would be helpful to know the minimum crest height of the SFFD banks, as the Board work to a level of +2.7mODN at Black Hole Drove PS when pumping capacity is reduced, noting that in a previous emergency event, the level reached +3.05mODN at Black Hole Drove with potential overtopping. Mr M Wray noted that he is happy to share any survey information with the Board. Mr P Reilly added that LIDAR gives an overview and shows low spots, whereas the topographical survey gives the detail, all of which can be shared.

The Operations Manager further added that within the response document it states that there are no current plans to armour further low spots, questioning if this is the EA's policy going forward?

Mr M Wray responded that they could look at others but have got no plans to at the moment.

5. 'Once complete we would request a complete Black Sluice Operational Contingency Plan (OCP) complete with the Operational Action Plans along with being placed on an update circular, this will become an appendix to the Board's ERP.'

The Operations Manager reflected on the final sentence of the EA response to the above question; 'We would ask the Board to recognise the importance of prioritising operational response work in terms of timescales for delivery'. Mr M Wray noted that it refers, as previously mentioned, to lack of resources and having to prioritise.

The Chair thanked Mr M Wray and Mr P Reilly for their attendance. Mr P Reilly left the meeting.

1892 APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS & CO-OPTED MEMBERS TO CONSTITUTE THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES: - Agenda Item 7

(a) Executive

The Chair presented this Agenda Item, explaining that the Executive Committee propose no change, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

It was RESOLVED that the Executive Committee be appointed as follows:

Executive Committee	
Chair	Mr Keith Casswell
Vice-Chair	Mr Paul Holmes
Chair NW Committee	Duplicate
Chair SW Committee	Mr Mark Rollinson
Chair Environment Committee	Duplicate
Chair Audit & Risk Committee	Cllr Michael Brookes
Chair Structures Committee	Mr Jonathan Fowler
Boston Borough Council Representative	Cllr Peter Bedford

(b) Northern Works

The Chair presented this Agenda Item, explaining that the only change is to the new elected Board Members, Mr M Leggott and Mr R Needham, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

It was RESOLVED that the Northern Works Committee be appointed as follows:

Northern Works Committee	
Board Members	Co-opted Members
Paul Holmes	James Pocklington
Peter Robinson	David Casswell
Mark Leggott	Roger Welberry
Jonathan Fowler	
Robert Needham	
Cllr Tom Ashton	
Cllr Richard Austin	

Cllr Peter Bedford	
Cllr Michael Cooper	
Cllr Frank Pickett	
Cllr Paul Skinner	
Michael Brookes (Lay Member)	
Cllr Mervyn Head	

(c) Southern Works

The Chair presented this Agenda Item, explaining that the only change is to the new Elected Member, Mr C Wray, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

The Board RESOLVED that the Southern Works Committee be appointed as follows:

Southern Works Committee	
Board Members	Co-opted Members
Mark Rollinson	Ross Dorrington
John Atkinson	Mark Mowbray
Keith Casswell	James Casswell
Chris Wray	Chris Dring
Will Ash	Andrew Mair
Vic Barker	
Cllr Simon Walsh	
Cllr Peter Moseley	

(d) Environment

Mr P Holmes presented this Agenda Item, explaining that there are two vacancies. The Executive Committee propose that Mr R Needham and Mr M Rollinson fill these vacancies, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

The Board RESOLVED that the Environment Committee be appointed as follows:

Environment Committee	
Northern Works	Southern Works
Paul Holmes	Keith Casswell
Roger Welberry	Vic Barker
Robert Needham	John Atkinson
Mr Peter Robinson	Mark Rollinson
Cllr Paul Skinner	Will Ash

(e) Audit & Risk

Mr M Brookes presented this Agenda Item, explaining that there are two vacancies. The Executive Committee propose that Mr M Leggott and Mr J Fowler fill these vacancies, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

The Board RESOLVED that the Audit & Risk Committee be appointed as follows:

Audit & Risk Committee	
Northern Works	Mark Leggott
Northern Works	Jonathan Fowler
Southern Works	Vic Barker
Southern Works	Will Ash
Appointed Member	Michael Brookes
Appointed Member	Cllr Simon Walsh
Additional Member	Cllr Richard Austin

(f) Structures

Mr J Fowler presented this Agenda Item, explaining that there is currently one vacancy on the Structures Committee. The Executive Committee proposed that Mr C Wray fill this vacancy, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

The Board RESOLVED that the Structures Committee be appointed as follows:

Structures Committee	
Mr Jonathan Fowler	Peter Robinson
Mr Will Ash	Vic Barker
Mr Paul Holmes	Chris Wray
Cllr Paul Skinner	Cllr Michael Cooper

(g) Nominations

The Chair presented this Agenda Item, inviting any issues or questions with the proposition.

The Board RESOLVED that the Nominations Committee be appointed as follows:

Nominations Committee	
Chair	Keith Casswell
Vice-Chair	Paul Holmes
Chair Audit & Risk Committee	Michael Brookes

1893 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:
- Agenda Item 8

(a) Northern Works

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr P Holmes be appointed Chair of the Northern Works Committee for the next three years.

(b) Southern Works

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr M Rollinson be appointed Chair of the Southern Works Committee for the next three years.

(c) Environment

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr P Holmes be appointed Chair of the Environment Committee for the next three years.

(d) Audit & Risk

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr M Brookes be appointed Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee for the next three years.

(e) Structures

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr J Fowler be appointed Chair of the Structures Committee for the next three years.

(f) Ex Officio Members

It was noted that the Chair and Vice Chair are Ex-officio members of all the Committees of the Board by virtue of their Office held, except the Audit & Risk Committee.

1894 MINUTES OF THE LAST BOARD MEETING - Agenda Item 9

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Board held on the 30th June 2021, copies of which had been circulated, were considered and it was AGREED that they should be signed as a true record.

1895 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE LAST BOARD MEETING - Agenda Item 10

The Confidential Minutes of the last meeting of the Board held on the 30th June 2021, copies of which had been circulated, were considered and it was AGREED that they should be signed as a true record.

1896 MATTERS ARISING - Agenda Item 11

(a) OVERDRAFT / SHORT TERM LOAN FACILITY – Minute 1824(i)

The Finance Manager presented the facilities presented in the agenda, highlighting that the only potential option, if needed, would be the Public Works Loan Board.

(b) POLICY No. 11: BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN – Minute 1824(a)(ii)

Mr M Brookes noted his request at the previous meeting that the Butterfly Sanctuary at Amber Hill be included, the Chief Executive confirmed this has been completed.

(c) TRINITY COLLEGE PUMPING STATION WATER SEEPAGE FROM LONG SKIRTH – Minute 1824(b)(aa)

The Chair questioned if there was any update on this? The Operations Manager responded that a quotation has now been received for the investigation works and that he has been in touch with Adrian Clack (Environment Agency) who will be providing some funds towards the cost.

1897 TO RECEIVE THE UNCONFIRMED MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS: - Agenda Item 12

(a) NORTHERN WORKS COMMITTEE – 7 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Northern Works Committee Chair presented the unconfirmed Minutes of the Northern Works Committee Meeting held on the 7th September 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that the Minutes should be received.

MATTERS ARISING:

(i) BREACH OF BOARD CONSENT – COLES LANE, SWINESHEAD

The Chief Executive informed the Board that meetings, both on site and in the office, have been held with the landowner. A Deed of Grant for the property has been looked into and suggested to the occupiers, as introduced at the Northern Works meeting. The solicitors cost for this will be £825 + VAT. The Chief Executive noted that, if the Board are agreeable, he will write to the occupiers informing them of the cost that will require reimbursing to the Board.

All AGREED to inform the occupier of the cost relating to the Deed of Grant for their property.

(b) SOUTHERN WORKS COMMITTEE – 28 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Southern Works Committee Chair presented the unconfirmed Minutes of the Southern Works Committee Meeting held on the 28th September 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that the Minutes should be received.

(c) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – 29 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Chair presented the unconfirmed Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on the 29th September 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that the Minutes should be received.

(i) 2021/22 CAPITAL SCHEMES BUDGETS

It was noted that this has already been presented to both the Northern and Southern Works committees.

(ii) 2022/23 PLANT BUDGET

The Chair questioned whether the 8" pump ordered had arrived yet?

The Operations Manager informed that it has arrived and was on site last week.

(iii) FUTURE RECONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD

The Chair explained to the Board that in 2023 the Special Levies (council) will be more than the agricultural drainage rates and so the Board will have to change to reflect this.

To adjust this without reviewing the electoral districts, it would require two additional appointed members, which would increase the size of the Board to 23. If not, the Board would reduce to 15. There were mixed opinions at the Executive Committee meeting around this.

Cllr T Ashton noted that if the Board was reduced to 15, it may not leave many in attendance at meetings if some were absent. The Finance Manager noted that 18 of 21 members were present at the current meeting.

The Chair noted that it is not for a decision today, but to make the Board aware of it and that the Executive Committee will have further conversation about it.

(d) **AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE – 12 OCTOBER 2021**

The Audit & Risk Chair presented the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit & Risk Meeting held on the 12th October 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that the Minutes should be received.

(i) **ANNUAL RETURN INCLUDING EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S OPINION 2020/2021**

The Audit & Risk Chair highlighted to the Board that the External Auditor's opinion has returned with no issues and congratulated and thanked the management team and Board's Officers for such an achievement.

TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING POLICIES:

(ii) **ANNUAL ACCOUNTS (FORMAT ONLY)**

The Audit & Risk Chair presented the Annual Accounts for the format only, which was reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee on the 12th October 2021. The Board RESOLVED that the format of the Annual Accounts be adopted.

(iii) **LAND DRAINAGE BYELAWS (POLICY (B))**

The Audit & Risk Chair presented Policy (B), Land Drainage Byelaws, which was reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee on the 12th October 2021. The Board RESOLVED that the Land Drainage Byelaws (Policy (B)) be adopted and authorised the Chief Executive and the Board Chair to sign and seal the amended Byelaws.

(iv) **FINANCIAL REGULATIONS (POLICY No. 3)**

The Audit & Risk Chair presented Policy No. 03, Financial Regulations. The Board RESOLVED that the policy for Financial Regulations be adopted.

(v) **PROCUREMENT (POLICY No. 4)**

The Audit & Risk Chair presented Policy No. 04, Procurement, which was reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee on the 12th October 2021. The Board RESOLVED that the Procurement Policy be adopted.

(vi) RELAXATION OF BOARD BYELAW No. 10 (9 METRE BYELAW)
(POLICY No. 8)

The Audit & Risk Chair presented Policy No. 08, Relaxation of Board Byelaw No. 10 (9 Metre Byelaw), which was reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee on the 12th October 2021. The Board RESOLVED that the Relaxation of Board Byelaw No. 10 (9 Metre Byelaw) Policy be adopted.

(vii) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY (POLICY No. 10)

The Audit & Risk Chair presented Policy No. 10, Delegation of Authority. The Board RESOLVED that the Delegation of Authority Policy be adopted.

(viii) EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

The Chief Executive presented Policy No. 13, the Emergency Response Plan, which was reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee on the 12th October 2021. He further noted that the personal information was removed for Data Protection purposes.

The Chief Executive reminded the Board that the EA documentation regarding the operation of the Black Sluice Nav Lock will form an appendix to this plan, once received.

The Board RESOLVED that the Emergency Response Plan be adopted, noting that the EA documentation regarding the operation of the Black Sluice Nav Lock, that will form an appendix to the plan, is still awaited.

MATTERS ARISING:

(ix) INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Chair wanted to highlight to the Board, that Mr N Scott's suggestion at the Audit & Risk Committee meeting of looking at an insurance policy with £300,000 was reviewed by the Executive Committee, who felt it wouldn't be beneficial.

(e) EXECUTIVE – 2nd NOVEMBER 2021

The Chair presented the unconfirmed Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on the 2nd November 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that the Minutes should be received.

An error was noted in Minute 1879(d), paragraph two, £1000,000 should be £100,000.

(i) 2021/22 QUARTER 2 FORECAST

Following the Period 6 Management Accounts, the Quarter 2 Forecast is then produced, to aim to provide an estimate about where the Board will be at the end of the financial year.

The Finance Manager reminded the Board of the law that means that, for the purposes of the accounts, all grant income must be recorded in the year it was received, and any grant expenditure recorded in the year it was spent. COVID-19 has delayed some of the works and so this has distorted the accounts.

(ii) INITIAL INDICATION OF THE 2022/23 BUDGET

The Finance Manager explained that the Quarter 2 Forecast helps to build the budget and helps give a more realistic picture for 10 year projections.

The Finance Manager noted the cost of the previous two wet winters and associated electricity costs and repairs at pumping stations, adding that it is time to start pulling it back.

The Finance Manager highlighted the increase of 7.29% in 2022/23 and the aim to increase the reserve % of expenditure to 30% over the ten year period considering the self-insurance. It was also noted that the councils have been made aware of this potential increase, adding that the ban on using red diesel has also impacted on the need for a steeper increase to secure the future of the Board.

The Chair questioned if the Board were happy to increase the reserve % of expenditure to 30%. All AGREED.

Mr V Barker questioned the legality around the Board self-insuring and whether the Board is big enough to do so?

The Chair responded that other IDBs already self-insured, with the Finance Manager adding that he sees no problems around the legality of self-insurance, technically we are just not insuring the pumping stations.

Mr V Barker further questioned third parties in pumping stations being insured? The Finance Manager confirmed this would be covered by the Board's Public Liability Insurance.

The Chair added that the Board are hoping to be able to get reasonable insurance going forward.

Mr P Holmes added that the Board are insuring everything they are legally obliged to insure.

Cllr P Moseley noted that he appreciates the ambition of 30%, but questioned what modelling has been used in regard to the electricity and whether the current volatility in the electric supply market has been considered?

The Chair acknowledged this point, noting that the only thing the Board can do is mitigate against it.

The Finance Manager added that the electricity is supplied through Woldmarsh, the contract renewal is 30th September 2022, at which time, hopefully, it will have calmed down.

Cllr P Mosley expressed his concern that the Board may see a big increase at renewal due to have being at a set rate, noting that energy levels tend to increase quickly, but decrease slowly.

Cllr T Ashton noted, in relation to the increase in rate, that if the Council try to get the Board to decrease it, it is simply 'deferring the pain' from one year to the next.

He further added that Boston Borough Council will have to find the extra from within the system and hopes that his colleagues understand that the increase is no more than what is necessary for the Board to continue operating.

The Chair reflected on the aspiration to be carbon neutral by 2030 but highlighted that there is no capital to implement the change that will be required.

Cllr P Mosley noted that in relation to electricity, the grid is continually decarbonising and so when considering carbon budgets and how to meet net zero targets, the vast majority of electricity will be decarbonised electricity.

Mr M Leggott added that he has read that high energy prices will stay until the end of 2023.

Cllr M Cooper highlighted the possibility of power cuts and rationing during the winter, questioning how the pumps would operate if required?

It was confirmed that some pumps can be driven by a tractor if necessary, and the larger stations have generator connections.

1898 REVIEW OF THE RISK REGISTER - Agenda Item 13

The Chair presented the Risk Register.

It was noted that Risk 1.1(b) (Risk Score 6), fluvial flooding from failure or overtopping of defences, had been reviewed and discussed in Minute 1891.

It was noted that Risk 1.8 (Risk Score 6), loss of senior staff, is in relation to the current circumstances of the Chief Executive Officer.

The Board RESOLVED that the Risk Register be accepted.

1899 REPORT ON FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION & RATING - Agenda Item 14

(a) PERIOD 07 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

The Finance Manager presented the Period 07 accounts, highlighting that there is currently extensive analysis ongoing in relation to the pumping station maintenance overspend and more information will be presented once the issue has been identified.

(b) DRAINAGE RATES REPORT

Account Ref	Location of Revaluation	Description	Existing Valuation	Proposed Valuation	Write Off
3702	Town Dam Lane, Donington	Glass houses removed	£20,059	£1,080	£2,340.23

The Finance Manager noted that he has been to site, and it is now being fully developed. All AGREED the above write off.

1900 TO RECEIVE THE ANNUAL HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT INCLUDING NEAR MISSES - Agenda Item 15

The Operations Manager presented the annual Health and Safety Report, noting the six reportable accidents, as shown in the agenda, also noting that there are no near misses to report.

The Operations Manager added that further training is currently being considered, as COVID-19 has impacted on training.

Mr M Leggott questioned if the workforce complete a self-audit of risks before starting any task? Adding that Witham 4th IDB have an online process in which all of the workforce have to complete an audit of all the risk before commencing any task, which is then sent electronically to the office and so it can be immediately identified if they are not being completed.

The Operations Manager responded that the Board don't do that, but all of the workforce do have access to a paper risk assessment. The Operations Manager noted that he can look into it and discuss further with Witham 4th IDB.

Mr M Brookes noted his concern for no near misses being reported. The Chair felt that the dry weather may have helped.

1901 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE SOUTH LINGS WATER PARTNERSHIP (SLWP)

The Chief Executive explained, that after being involved with the SLWP, for six years, they are now approaching the stage of site selection, whereby they are looking at a total area of approximately 500 ha / 1236 acres. Further adding that the aim is to be moving water by 2035.

The Chief Executive reminded the Board of the current principle proposals to take huge quantities of water from the Trent and Witham and transfer down the South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD), noting that there is no proposal to bring water north at this time.

The Chief Executive added that the aim is to have a single site identified by March 2022. Also adding that he is now part of the 'Water Farming Reservoir Group' and that Water Resources East (WRE) are going to re-imburse upto £600 a month, from May 2021, for the administrative duties provided by the Board for the SLWP.

The Chief Executive next explained that Mr J Atkinson, in virtual attendance, had sent some questions prior to the meeting to be answered as below:

- 1. You need good subsurface geology to save costs and starting at the very south of our boundary there is a lot of unstable and peaty land near to the Bourne Fen boundary. This peaty and unstable land certainly extends as far as Dunsby Fen. Anybody doubting that should see the state of Dunsby fen road. The Fens that I am familiar with the geology seems to get far more suitable in Rippingale, Dowsby, and Aslackby Fens I freely admit.*

The Chief Executive responded that the ground geology has been identified as a very important factor when identifying possible SLR site locations, very large quantities of clay will be required during the construction phase, therefore Bourne Fen for example is not a suitable location.

- 2. Road infrastructure without having to undertake a further vast expense and losing further land. The roads that fit into this category are :- Bourne Fen Dowsby Fen and Donington Road*

The Chief Executive responded that existing highway infrastructure to and around the proposed SLR site are important factors.

- 3. Electricity substation by Dowsby Fen Pumping Station could also save money and is adjacent to the good road infrastructure.*

The Chief Executive responded that existing power supplies adjacent to the proposed SLR site are important factors.

The Chief Executive also added that 24 organisations have been asked to sign a confidentiality Memorandum of Understanding, to be involved with the identification of the single site. The Chair noted that by signing it, it means the Chief Executive and himself can influence and be kept informed of the site selection process.

The Chief Executive also noted that he encourages members to see this as a positive, noting that Grafham Water is a good example of what is hoping to be achieved in South Lincolnshire, with lots of different opportunities.

The Chief Executive also highlighted that the SFFD will be widened and deepened, but that the Board don't want to lose the facility to gravitate.

The Chair highlighted that there are a lot of partners with the SLWP, who are focused on water becoming an asset, further noting that this should make the Board's catchment more secure.

Mr M Leggott questioned whether it will be compulsory purchase, or whether they will be looking to identify voluntary sales of land? Adding that if it is compulsory purchase, you don't receive a lump sum, it is 'drip fed' and so not enough is received to reinvest.

The Chief Executive responded that he, along with the NFU, have tried to convince that it would be far easier to negotiate with willing landowners.

Mr V Barker presented the following;

'In 1815 John Rennie considered that no effective drainage could be obtained unless the Highland Water could be stopped from mixing with the fen water and proposed a 'catchwater drain'. Not long after, a Reverent Kingsman Foster a Commissioner said that the waters from the south part of the Black Sluice should go into the Glen and the Welland. Sir John Rennie in 1843 proposed making the Carr Dyke into a Catch water drain. In more recent times, our Engineer F H Tomes OBE in 1938 and again after the flood in 1958 a further report proposing each time a catch water drain one of the outfalls was to be just above Langrick. They were too expensive. What did the Rivers Board do? Built two new pumps at Boston, making 5, that do not work now.

The third proposed reservoir is our chance, not in a generation, or a life time, but in the history of the Fens, to be able to take excess water from between 30% and 50% of the Highland water away from our system during flooding. We have three pumps at Black Hole, these could well be used to fill the reservoir in times of high flows and at other times, with balancing reservoirs on major high land carriers this is our chance to improve our drainage with others funding it. Personally, I would have put the reservoir on the other side of the SFFD, but I do not think it matters, as with the success of the new reservoir and more demand for water, there is a good possibility, in 100 years or less there would be one on the other side also. If, Mr Chair, we do not take this chance, future Board Members will criticise us for not doing our job as Board Members. If a reservoir is to go ahead, we should support the third option.'

The Chief Executive acknowledged Mr V Barker for this but highlighted his statement about that he would have chosen to put the reservoir on the other side. The Chief Executive confirmed that a site has not yet been identified, and that the images presented in the Strategic Solution Gate One Submission were simply superimposed onto a random satellite image area.

The Chief Executive further added that the main purpose of the SLWP is to see water as a re-useable resource.

Mr V Barker added that farmers are going to require irrigation more often and so reservoirs will help to grow crops.

Mr V Barker questioned if the levels in the SFFD are planned to stay as they are or be raised? The Chief Executive responded that he wouldn't want the levels to be raised as the Board don't want to lose the capability to gravitate.

1902 REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING: - Agenda Item 14

(a) MONTHLY ACCOUNTS (JUNE 2021 – OCTOBER 2021)

The Board's monthly accounts, inclusive of June 2021 - October 2021, were circulated. The Board RESOLVED that this report be noted.

(b) MONTHLY ACCOUNTS WOLDMARSH (JUNE 2021 – OCTOBER 2021)

The Board's monthly Woldmarsh invoices, inclusive of June 2021 – October 2021, were circulated. The Board RESOLVED that this report be noted.

Mr V Barker questioned whether the export rate for the Board' solar panels is negotiable? The Finance Manager believed it is set nationally by government, dependant on the date the installation was installed, also noting that only one site has an export meter because the others aren't big enough.

(c) SCHEDULE OF CONSENTS (JUNE 2021 – OCTOBER 2021)

The Chief Executive presented the Schedule of Consents, consisting of June 2021 - October 2021, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that this report be noted.

(d) RAINFALL

The rainfall figures at Swineshead and Black Hole Drove were presented, copies of which had been circulated. The Board RESOLVED that this report be noted.

The Chief Executive noted that it has been a long time since the South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD) has been seen at such a consistently low level at this time of year.

Mr M Brookes left the meeting.

1903 TO CONFIRM DATES OF MEETING FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS - Agenda Item 18

The following dates for the meetings of the next twelve months were AGREED as follows:

Executive	Tuesday 18 th January 2022	2pm
Board	Tuesday 8 th February 2022	2pm
Environment	Tuesday 1 st March 2022	2pm
Structures	Tuesday 22 nd March 2022	2pm
Audit & Risk	Tuesday 12 th April 2022	2pm
Executive	Tuesday 17 th May 2022	2pm
Board	Tuesday 14 th June 2022	2pm
Southern Works	Tuesday 5 th July 2022	-
Northern Works	Tuesday 19 th July 2022	-
Executive	Tuesday 13 th September 2022	2pm
Joint Works	Tuesday 4 th October 2022	2pm
Audit & Risk	Tuesday 25 th October 2022	2pm
Board	Tuesday 22 nd November 2022	2pm
Executive	Tuesday 13 th December 2022	2pm

1904 ANY OTHER BUSINESS - Agenda Item 19

(a) RED DIESEL

Cllr T Ashton expressed his dismay for still having to explain to the Treasury what an IDB is and what they do, highlighting that there are still political efforts to stop the ban on using red diesel for IDBs.

The Finance Manager noted that the Board has received responses from Matt Warman MP and John Hayes MP who simply sent the Treasury's response about reducing carbon.

Cllr P Skinner noted that three District Councils have written to Rishi Sunak.

(b) ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – CHARTERED ENVIRONMENTALIST

Mr M Leggott questioned if the Environment Committee is just made up of in-house knowledge? Noting that another IDB take advice from a Chartered Environmentalist.

Mr P Holmes, as Chair of the Environment Committee, responded that the Board do have specialists to undertake surveys etc. but not that advise on the Environment Committee. The Environment Committee is made up of appointed and elected members with an interest in the Environment, but that a Chartered Environmentalist could be a potential way forward. Mr M Leggott concluded that he will provide the Environment Chair with further information following the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 16:15.

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

MINUTES

of the proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee

held remotely on
18th January 2022 at 2pm

Members

Chairperson - * Mr K C Casswell

* Cllr P Bedford	* Mr M Brookes
* Mr J Fowler	* Mr P Holmes
* Mr M Rollinson	

* Member Present

In attendance: Mr I Warsap (Chief Executive)
Mr D Withnall (Finance Manager)

1905 Recording the Meeting - Agenda Item 1

Committee members were informed that the meeting would be recorded.

1906 Apologies for absence - Agenda Item 2

There were no apologies of absence.

1907 Declarations of Interest - Agenda Item 3

There were no declarations of interest.

1908 Executive Committee Terms of Reference - Agenda Item 4

The proposed change from 'Chairman' to 'Chair' was noted, with Mr M Rollinson of the opinion that 'Chairperson' is preferable to 'Chair'. All AGREED that 'Chairman' be changed to 'Chairperson'.

The Chairperson noted the current expenditure limit of the committee, £40,000, questioning whether this should be increased to reflect the increase in products and services. The committee felt that £40,000 wouldn't cover that much and so all AGREED to increase the Executive Committee's expenditure to a value of £50,000.

The Finance Manager highlighted that the Delegation of Authority will need changing to reflect this increase in expenditure value and so will be presented to the Audit & Risk Committee at their next meeting in April 2022. Mr M Brookes, Chairperson of the Audit & Risk Committee, questioned whether it needed to be presented to the Audit & Risk Committee or whether it could be presented straight to the Board in February 2022 to avoid waiting until April 2022. The committee felt that it would be more appropriate for the Audit & Risk Committee to review it and be approved at the Board following that.

Mr J Fowler noted the quorum of three people, questioning whether it will also require at least three of the committee to authorise expenditure?

All AGREED to recommend the Executive Committee's Terms of Reference to the Board for approval, with the above agreed changes.

1909 Minutes of the Meeting - Agenda Item 5

Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November 2021, copies of which had been circulated, were considered and it was AGREED that they should be signed as a true record.

1910 Confidential Minutes of the Meeting - Agenda Item 6

Confidential Minutes of the last meeting held on 2nd November 2021, copies of which had been circulated, were considered and it was AGREED that they should be signed as a true record.

1911 Matters Arising - Agenda Item 7

(a) South Lincs Water Partnership (SLWP) – Minute 1879(a)

The Chief Executive gave an update on the SLWP, explaining that a screening process has taken place to narrow potential sites down to four. A confidentiality memorandum of understanding has been signed and so specific site locations are unable to be shared at this stage, but it is hoped they will soon be released to landowners and the public.

The Chief Executive further noted that Arup have been contracted to complete a 12 month project on open water transfer (water from the Trent into the Witham into the South Forty Foot Drain (SFFD) and into the reservoir).

The Chief Executive also explained that the South Lincs Reservoir project is hoped to be completed mid 2030's, however, this one project will not meet the demand that will be required by this time and so the prospect of numerous linked reservoirs has been suggested to Defra, through Water Resources East (WRE), with their initial response being agreeable to this.

The Chief Executive concluded his update by noting that the Operations Manager is going to become more involved in the SLWP work and once the site locations have been released publicly, the Chief Executive Officer will be able to provide more detailed updates.

(b) 2022/23 Plant budget - Minute 1879(c)

The committee were informed that the JCB excavator order has been placed and is due to arrive in the next financial year – mid/late July 2022.

The Finance Manager noted that the concept of a five year replacement cycle was investigated, but wasn't financially feasible.

An update was noted that the proposed demonstration day of the Royal Smals Cutter Suction Machine was not pursued by ADA or Royal Smals.

(c) Insurance arrangements - Minute 1879(d)

The Finance Manager noted that he has not done any further work on this yet.

(d) Period 06 Management Accounts - Minute 1880

The Finance Manager noted that the court date has changed from the 22nd November 2021 to 17th January 2022, following a delay in the court's administration.

The Finance Manager attended court on the 17th January, none of the ratepayers were present. There has been one response from a ratepayer, who typically appears on the court list each year (30-2586-9), who is stating that they cannot pay due to current personal circumstances. The Finance Manager has informed them that the Board will continue with proceedings and if there is nothing for the bailiffs to recover then it will get added on to the following year's demand.

(e) Board's Phone system - Minute 1885(d)

The Finance Manager informed the committee that the Board's new phone system, Avaya, is up and running.

(f) Confidential – Chief Executive Officer – Minute 1879(e)

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.

1912 Period 08 Management Accounts - Agenda Item 8

The Finance Manager noted that the Period 09 Management Accounts have been circulated prior to the meeting and highlighted the following points in these accounts:

Underspend in Pumping Station Maintenance

There is a meeting scheduled this week to look at the Quarter 3 forecast and it is hoped that the final quarter's forecast may be able to be reduced significantly, therefore, possibly bringing pumping station maintenance back into budget.

Underspend in Drain Maintenance

There is an underspend of almost £55,000 in drain maintenance in Period 09 and so work needs to be done to understand how much needs deferring into the final quarter, but hopefully there will be some considerable savings. £40,000 is associated with summer cutting, which did finish early.

Mr P Holmes referred to the Income and Expenditure Summary for Period 08, highlighting that 'Miscellaneous' is considerably higher than this year than last year, questioning why this is?

The Finance Manager explained that the biggest cost is the precept (£276,000) which wasn't paid until after this point last year. There is also £113,000 increase for contractors since last year (partly Royal Smals, partly Swaton NFM works) and extra in relation to legal and professional due to their extra legal advice required this year.

1913 2022/23 Budget & Ten-Year Estimates - Agenda Item 9

Mr P Holmes noted that he spoke with somebody from North Level IDB and they were planning to increase their rate by 8%, due to all their pumping stations being diesel, a decision that had been made before it was known that IDB operations were likely to be classified as agricultural and therefore still attract the Fuel Duty rebate.

The Finance Manager provided the following highlights from the report on the 2022/23 budget and ten year estimates:

Interest & Investment Income

The Brewin Dolphin income that originally was £17,500 is now being estimated at £14,500.

Grants and Local Levies

Expected grant income of £520,000 in 2022/23 and £2,361,000 grant income over the next four years.

Rental Income

The rental rates haven't been changed since 2017/18.

The bungalow at Hessle Drive has had a new boiler installed this year at the cost of the Board (£3,500) and requires an electrical installation check every 5 - 10 years, in addition to the boiler checks already conducted.

Mr P Holmes noted that £300 seems cheap, especially if the Board has costs relating to it, questioning whether it would be beneficial to get a comparative of a similar property?

The Finance Manager noted that he would expect figures such as £500-£600 if it were to be put out to market. It is so low because the tenant is long standing and is connected to the Board, the tenant is still employed by the Board to maintain Cooks Lock and Chain Bridge Pumping Stations. It was noted that the tenant is conscientious and maintains the property to a high standard.

Mr P Holmes then believed the rent should stay the same.

The Chief Executive noted that when the current tenants are no longer renting the property, the Officers of the Board will most likely propose to sell it.

All AGREED to make no changes to rental income rates.

Solar Panel Income

There is a detailed analysis presented on page 35 of the agenda. Swineshead Pumping Station is now generating a profit. Overall, excluding electricity used, it still owes £67,000, without taking into account any electric generated that has been used, and so in the long run, should be able to recover the money and generate income.

Pumping Station Maintenance

The average for the past nine years for electricity has been included. The pumping station maintenance budget has been completely overhauled this year and drilled into more detail to try and set a more accurate and detailed budget going forward, which will also allow for closer monitoring.

Mr M Rollinson referred to the electricity cost used, questioning whether it is units used against the current rate or units used against historic rate, noting the increase in rate over the years? The Finance Manager explained that it is the cost per year and that Woldmarsh did achieve considerable reductions when we moved the accounts to them, noting that he could go to market for electricity if that is what the committee wanted a comparison to Woldmarsh.

Mr M Rollinson noted that 2019 was a really wet year and it can't be seen how many more units were used in a wet year compared to a dry year.

The Finance Manager explained that the current process is by using an average rate applied to pump hours, so it is known how many hours the pumps work, which can then be used to estimate the bill for a certain period.

It was also noted that the next renegotiation for the electricity rate, through Woldmarsh, is 30th September 2022. The Chairperson felt that Woldmarsh do a good job.

Drain Maintenance

The Finance Manager explained that the figures within the agenda include the £33,301 that was thought was going to have to be paid for fuel duty in relation to drain maintenance. However, now there is a derogation on plant in relation to red diesel, this £33,301 budget is no longer required.

Administration and Establishment

This includes acting up rates. The Pay Award has also been confirmed by Lincolnshire ADA at 2.5% for 2022/23. The employer's pensions rates have been included as normal, but there is a tri-annual valuation due in April 2023.

The Finance Manager noted that he is conscious of the IT Costs, but felt it is balanced with the protection of the Board's systems and the information held. The Finance Manager also noted that HBP are currently working on two factor authentication, which the Finance Manager will be looking into over the next few months.

There is a system of continuous replacement of computers, every 4-5 years, which seems to be appropriate as one of the 5 year old computer's hard disk is current working at 90-100% and so wouldn't expect it to last much longer.

The network switches, which route the data around the office, are ten years old and so require replacing.

There is also the possibility of doing some more concreting bays around the back of the of the office if budget allows. It currently attracts a lot of standing water and so could be made better use of if concreted.

Development Reserve

This keeps building up from development contributions, currently at £398,161. The Operations Team are looking at ways to utilise this fund going forward.

Wages On-cost Reserve

The aim is to have a zero balance on this and so the oncost rate will require increasing from 260% to 270% in 2022/23 to achieve this.

(a) Budget with Ten-Year Estimates

The Finance Manager noted the current proposed budget, with the rate increase of 6.69% in 2022/23.

The Finance Manager next explained that when the £33,301 is taken out, following the red diesel derogation, the increase in rate could be reduced to 5.09% for 2022/23. This budget and ten year estimates was shown on screen.

The Finance Manager noted the impact this would have on the Special Levies, without any developed land movements, as below:

Boston Borough Council (BBC) – saving of £13,450
South Holland District Council – saving of £2,147
North Kesteven District Council – saving of £1,137
South Kesteven District Council – saving of £969

Cllr P Bedford noted that he was part of a briefing last night, and BBC are currently working to the figures provided by the Finance Manager by letter in October 2021 (7 - 9% increase).

The Chairperson felt that after all the help from the councils regarding this, he felt it wouldn't be right not to reflect the derogation saving in the rate increase.

Mr M Brookes agreed, also noting that they will be aware of the new derogation on red diesel and so will be aware that the IDB will therefore have a reduced expenditure than originally thought.

Mr P Holmes noted that there are some very 'grey' regulations within the derogation in that the red diesel can only be used on drainage works off agriculture land and not residential land. Mr P Holmes raised his concern that this could be a temporary derogation and if IDBs are not seen to be following the regulations within it, it could be taken away.

The Chairperson informed the committee that the total agricultural assessed area of the Board's catchment is 93.08%.

Mr M Rollinson agreed with the Chairperson that the councils have been understanding regarding the potential big increase and so felt this reduction in expenditure should be shared with them and the rate reduced.

The Finance Manager added that an accompanying letter can be sent with the Special Levies to the councils, explaining why the expected increase has been reduced.

Cllr P Bedford questioned if the increase should be reduced less, so that the Board has a 'backup' in case the derogation is taken away. Mr M Brookes felt that the council will be sensitive to this and be able to work out how much of a saving the Board are making with the derogation.

Mr J Fowler agreed that the increase should be reduced to the 5.09% suggested, adding that if energy price shocks are encountered in the future, the Board will be able to honestly explain the situation requiring an increase.

The Chief Executive also felt that the Board should be honest with the council, adding that he believes the derogation is just a 'rest bite' in a bigger attempt for the country to move forward using different modes of power.

All AGREED that the increase in rate for 2022/23 be reduced to 5.09% and an explanation letter sent with the Special Levies to the councils explaining why.

The Finance Manager noted that he will work through the budget in more detail, which will be presented to the Board for ratification.

(b) 2022/23 Summary budget by month

There were no further comments or questions.

(c) 2022/23 Detailed budget by month

There were no further comments or questions.

(d) 10 Year Capital Schemes

There were no further comments or questions.

(e) 2022/23 Wages On-cost Reserve Budget

There were no further comments or questions.

(f) 10 Year Plant Replacement Budget

There were no further comments or questions.

(g) 2021/22 Cumulative Solar Panel Report

There were no further comments or questions.

1914 Future supply of fuel for Board Vehicles & Plant - Agenda Item 10

It was noted that this is no longer applicable due to the derogation on red diesel being used in IDB plant working off agricultural land. Due to the Board's catchment, by area, being 93.08% agriculturally assessed.

The below outlines the update provided by the Association of Drainage Authorities (ADA) to IDBs about this matter:

'HM Treasury clarification

On 17 December ADA received a response from an HM Treasury official providing clarification regarding the circumstances in which IDBs and their contractors may continue to use rebated fuel after 1 April 2022. It is provided as written below in full.

I thought it would be helpful to clarify the circumstances where it will remain possible to use red diesel for water level management activities, as set out in guidance here (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-rebated-fuels-entitlement-from-1-april-2022/check-when-rebated-fuel-can-be-used>):

Anyone will be able to use rebated fuel in vehicles and machines used for purposes relating to agriculture, horticulture, fish farming or forestry. This includes agricultural vehicles, special vehicles, unlicensed vehicles and certain machines and appliances. For these purposes, you can use rebated fuel to travel to and from the place where the vehicle is used, except on roads in unlicensed vehicles. If a vehicle or machine allowed to use rebated fuel is transported by another vehicle, you can only use rebated fuel in the vehicle carrying or towing it if it also qualifies in its own right.

This means that both IDBs using their direct workforce and contractors will be able to use red diesel in their vehicles/machinery to complete water level and flood risk management work on land used for agriculture (working under the expectation that such activity on this land will at least in part be for the benefit of agricultural activity). As set out in your letter, nearly 70% of land at the highest risk of flooding is in agricultural use, so for a large proportion of your work, IDBs and agricultural contractors will be able to continue using red diesel. It will, however, not be possible to use rebated fuel for water level and flood risk management work on any other land (other than golf courses), unless it is for purposes relating to agriculture.'

Mr M Rollinson questioned if the Board will have to repay 7% of the rebate due to only being 93.08% agriculture?

The Finance Manager responded, no, given the above guidance and given the area that is involved, all water that goes through a residential area is also water from agricultural land.

1915 Future use of the Black Sluice Pumping Station (Boston) - Agenda Item 11

Mr J Fowler noted that he sits on the committee relating to this, noting that there isn't great progress, but they are exploring opportunities for its use which provides an annual income which provides enough to maintain the building. Mr J Fowler noted that the main driver for being on the committee is to press for future proofing the surrounds of the pumping station as a potential Van Heck emergency site.

The Chairperson explained that Cllr R Austin has approached the Board to see if we would be willing to provide any funding. The Chairperson was of the opinion that he would be happy for the Board to provide a small contribution if it showcased what the Board does.

Mr J Fowler noted that there is discussion of permanent and flexible showcase exhibitions, it being hoped that the Environment Agency (EA) would showcase their work, and, at that time, it may be time for the Board to consider having a showcase alongside it.

The Chief Executive added that he felt it would be right and beneficial for the Board to have a permanent display, but at a very small contribution.

It was felt that there isn't enough information known yet to be able to make a decision.

The Chief Executive noted that he will inform Cllr R Austin, so that he is able to prepare for the Board meeting.

1916 **Confidential - Holiday Pay relating to overtime - Agenda Item 12**

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.

1917 **Any Other Business - Agenda Item 13**

(a) **Byelaws**

The Finance Manager informed the committee that the byelaws have been advertised on the website and in the papers, no objections have been received. They will therefore be sent to the DEFRA Minister for approval in the next few days.

(b) **Water Resources East (WRE) Contribution**

The Finance Manager noted that WRE have suggested the Board may wish to sign up for another year at a similar rate, last year it was £840. All AGREED.

(c) **Policy 04: Procurement – Single tender action and frameworks**

The Chief Executive reminded the committee that the Board's catchment has 35 sub catchments, 10 of which have catchment studies completed, and a further 5 are being studied currently, through RFCC Flood Grant in Aid.

The Chief Executive continued by explaining that the Grants Manager has suggested applying to the Environment Agency (EA) for funding for all the remaining catchments, as until all of them are completed, they can't be put together to create the bigger picture.

The Grant Manager has noted that the Board's Procurement Policy does not allow for the use of a Single Tender Action or a Framework to be used in relation to procurement. Therefore, the Grants Manager has questioned if the Board's procurement rules can be changed for a single tender action i.e., The same contractor currently being used to deliver all the studies.

The Finance Manager provided some justification for this, as follows:

- The current contractor has completed all the studies within the catchment to date and so would be re-using information they already hold which would provide consistency.
- The current contractor was awarded the contract in October 2021, following a market comparison.

The Chief Executive gave an idea of the amount of funding being requested, it being c£30,000 per sub-catchment, of which there are 20.

A further suggestion from the Grant Manager was that we could consider using a Framework Supplier. Other IDB's are using Scape, that is proving very good value for money and very efficient. Other IDBs have signed up to use Scape to procure both consultancy and construction work and the Grants Manager assisted in this process and has offered to do the same for us. We also have the opportunity to use the EA's framework, although at the moment she wouldn't recommend using it because of the timescales taking to get into contract

The procurement policy was displayed on screen. Mr M Brookes was of the opinion that there needs to an exception writing into the policy for circumstances like this with Single Tender Actions and framework agreements.

The Finance Manager could not see any benefit, in this particular case, in adding anything into the procurement policy, basing on that the commercial exercise for three competitive quotes was carried out in October 2021 and the same contractor needs to be used for all the studies for consistency.

Mr M Brookes questioned whether the Internal Auditor should be asked whether he would agree with that.

All AGREED that funding application be processed for all sub catchments using the current contractor through as a Single Tender Action based on that the commercial exercise for three competitive quotes was carried out in October 2021 and the same contractor needs to be used for all the studies for consistency, subject to the approval of the Internal Auditor. If the Internal Auditor is not in favour of this, then it will be brought to the attention of the Board for further discussion.

(d) Felling of Trees at Asgarby Estate

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.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 15:49.

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - 18 JANUARY 2022

AGENDA ITEM 06(a)

2022/23 BUDGET AND TEN-YEAR ESTIMATES

Introduction

As discussed at previous Executive meetings due to external pressures detailed below the increases in rates is expected to be considerably higher than anything seen in recent years.

- withdrawal of the fuel duty rebate for IDB's
- 180% increase in the combined insurance policy (mitigated with self-insurance and increase in reserves)
- two wet winters with numerous emergencies
- 1.25% increase in Employers NI

In October 2021 we wrote to all the councils who pay special levies to the Board to give an indication that rates could increase by between 7% and 9% in 2022/23. Whilst no direct response was received from any council, we are aware that Boston and South Holland lobbied government for the fuel duty rebate to be reinstated for IDB's and consideration of their unfair proportion of settlement being used for IDB Special Levies.

The historic rates of Black Sluice IDB are shown below.

Year	Penny Rate	% Increase
2012/13	12.15	
2013/14	12.15	0.00%
2014/15	12.30	1.23%
2015/16	12.48	1.46%
2016/17	12.60	0.96%
2017/18	12.60	0.00%
2018/19	12.60	0.00%
2019/20	12.60	0.00%
2020/21	12.84	1.90%
2021/22	13.16	2.49%

Consideration was given to the two financial objectives as agreed by the Board and included in our Financial Regulations.

1. to continue to reduce the Board's general reserves, with the target of 20% of annual expenditure (this is to be increased to 30% as an allowance for the element of self-insurance of Pumping Stations)
2. to achieve a balanced budget in the ten-year reporting period

I have included, as appendices, to this report for information as follows.

- a. 2022/23 Budget with 10 Year Estimates
- b. 2022/23 Summary budget by month
- c. 2022/23 Detailed budget by month
- d. 10 Year Capital Schemes
- e. 2022/23 Wages On-cost Reserve budget
- f. 10 Year Plant replacement budget
- g. 2021/22 Solar Panel Report

2022/23 Budget & 10 Year Estimates

a) Rates & Levies

With careful examination of all the costs the Board is subject to and is required to ensure an efficient system the Penny Rate in the £ increase has been limited to 6.69% for 2022/23 generating an income of £2,354,046 from Rates and Special Levies. The Penny Rate calculations are as of 31st December and therefore the values used for budget purposes are based on last year's calculations. A number of visits are required to identify land that should be transferred from the Agricultural Rate to the Special Levy. These calculations will be run in January for the production of the sealed rate for the February Board meeting. I expect that this will result in a slight increase in income as developed land is valued at a much higher value than agricultural land.

b) Interest & Investment Income

Interest received from Natwest, and Monmouthshire Building Society has improved but not to levels anywhere near what the Board have enjoyed in the past. A nominal £1,000 has been included for 2022/23.

The £500,000 invested with Brewin Dolphin has recovered to the original investment value but following the stresses of COVID 19 the estimated income has dropped to £14,662 which is the figure included in the 2022/23 budget.

c) Grants & Local Levy

It is hoped to generate Grant income of £520,000 in 2022/23 within the year for 3 schemes. The total Grant and Local Levy Income we have in the EA Grants programme for in the next four years amounts to a total of £2,361,000 as detailed in the Agenda Item 09d, this will potentially require contributions from the Board or other partnership sources of up to £244,000. These contributions have been included, for the first time this year, as being an expected cost to the Board in the year the grants are scheduled.

d) Use of Development Fund

Historically a £5,000 administration fee has been charged to the fund and this has been included in 2022/23. Details of the Fund can be found later in this report. No other use of this fund is planned for in 2022/23.

e) **Rental Income**

The following rents and other agreements are in place and have been included in the 2022/23 Budget. They were reviewed in 2017/18 with no amendments.

Site	Area/Description	2017/18 Budget Rent pa £
Hessle Drive, Boston	Bungalow	3,600
Depot, Swineshead	Aerial Mast, Orange	3,065
Bourne	Discharge permission, Geest Bourne Salads (Charged to Consents)	1,000
Wyberton, Pumping Station	Electricity supply, Port of Boston	462
Depot, Swineshead	2.4 acres - field at rear	500
Bourne Slipes	6.8 Acres - Grazing	165
New Hammond Beck	64 chains of bank	36

f) **Other Income**

Consent applications are charged at £50 each and an estimated 84 have been allowed for over the year.

Highland Water continues to be paid based on the actual costs incurred in the year including a 16% admin charge. £6,500 for the year has been included in the 2022/23 budget. This is the estimated average prior to the last two winters which were exceptionally high.

Year	Highland Water	% Increase
2012/13	£ 4,729	
2013/14	£ 6,960	47.18%
2014/15	£ 8,755	25.79%
2015/16	£ 4,742	-45.84%
2016/17	£ 5,127	8.12%
2017/18	£ 5,644	10.08%
2018/19	£ 6,663	18.05%
2019/20	£ 14,089	111.45%
2020/21	£ 13,029	-7.52%
2021/22	£ 6,500	-50.11%

Other miscellaneous income includes items such as scrap metal sales, charges to the Chairman's account and rechargeable costs to employee's etc.

g) **Solar Panel Income**

Solar Panel Income has been performing as expected since installation and the budget has been included on this basis. A cumulative report since installation is included at appendix g.

h) Capital Schemes

Schemes included in the budget total £690,000 but only £170,000 is a cost to the Board in 2022/23.

All the Schemes are as discussed and previously agreed at the November Board meeting and Works Committees meetings.

i) Pumping Station Maintenance

The way that Pumping Station Maintenance budget is calculated has been completely overhauled for the 2022/23 budget with the overall result for 2022/23 being £448,942. This is made up as follows.

Pumping Station Maintenance Budget 2022/23		
Plant	£	24,476
Labour	£	99,656
Pump Eng	£	57,554
Electric	£	168,200
Transformers	£	2,160
CCTV	£	9,504
Telemetry	£	11,832
Purchases	£	13,960
Other	£	61,600
	£	448,942

Electricity is based on a nine-year average, including the previous two exceptional years. With the expected substantial increase in October 2022 the two exceptional years have not been adjusted.

Historic Electric Costs		
2012	£	201,058
2013	£	144,915
2014	£	117,547
2015	£	100,558
2016	£	120,913
2017	£	72,764
2018	£	119,189
2019	£	389,576
2020	£	247,733
9-year average	£	168,250

j) **Drain Maintenance**

A comprehensive exercise has been conducted to calculate the budget required to complete the programmed drain maintenance

Drain Maintenance 2022/23 Budget		2020/21	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
		Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget
3002	Summer Cutting	£ 503,928	£ 513,490	£ 574,493	£ 578,326
3006	Drain Maintenance	£ 244,904	£ 251,350	£ 243,802	£ 247,842
3008	Bushing	£ 74,724	£ 52,111	£ 64,910	£ 75,100
3010	Jetting	£ 19,999	£ 6,514	£ 10,000	£ 10,000
		£ 843,555	£ 823,465	£ 893,205	£ 911,268

New Plant rates have been calculated based on the previous twelve months fuel usage which, for excavators and Twiga's was 72,394 litres equating to £33,301.

Overall, in the 12 months from October 2020 to September 2021; 115,994 litres of Gas Oil were used which will equate to an overall increase of £53,357 to the Board, across all cost centres, due to the loss of the Fuel Duty Rebate at 46p per litre.

k) **Environmental Works**

The budget for environmental works has been included for 2022/23 at £20,000.

l) **Environment Agency Precept**

No increase in the Environment Agency precept has been included and a decision on the rate will be made by the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee in January 2022 and therefore £276,552 has been included in the 2022/23 budget. The precept has been at this rate since 2009/10.

m) **Administration and Establishment**

		2020/21	2021/22	2021/22	2021/22	2022/23	2022/23
		Actual	Forecast P06	Estimate	Budget	Budget	% Budget Increase/ (Decrease)
4001	Admin Salaries	416,193	435,388	452,136	425,000	470,000	10.59%
4002	New Offices	10,502	11,223	11,662	12,000	12,000	0.00%
4003	Administration	51,123	49,891	52,280	54,617	54,938	0.59%
4004	Miscellaneous	5,661	6,905	2,329	6,725	6,942	3.23%
4006	Inspection	1,809	6,464	920	5,500	3,500	-36.36%
4007	Election	0	500	0	500	0	
4010	Equipment	15,463	13,535	4,549	15,000	15,000	0.00%
5001	Depot	50,968	42,386	35,328	44,772	46,134	3.04%
5003	Bungalow	433	200	333	200	200	0.00%
		552,154	566,492	559,535	564,314	608,714	7.87%

Admin Salaries

Admin salaries have been included at the rates agreed at the September 2021 Executive Committee meeting. The independent review of Senior Officer's salaries has been delayed and the Finance Manager and Operations Manager have been included in the budget at "Acting Up" rates.

The Lincolnshire ADA recommendation for the Pay Award is, as recommended by the Lincolnshire ADA Pay and Conditions Committee and unanimously accepted by the Union membership, 2.5%. This has been allowed for within these budgets.

With Scale Point increases included the entire Admin Salaries increase is 9.74% which equates to 10.19% when all the additional costs are taken into consideration including an increase in employers NI of 1.25% and an additional 2 days for the Admin Assistant. For Operational Staff, which are recovered in the Wages Oncost Reserve this is 2.51%, 4.97% when including additional costs.

Mileage claims have been reduced this year and therefore estimates have been maintained at last year's claims due to COVID 19.

Employers Pension rates have been included at 18.2%, with the deficit contribution being £66,000 (£64,000 in 2021/22), split across Admin and Operational salaries in 2022/23.

Office

Office Costs remain minimal due to most costs already being included in Depot Costs when the extension was built to house the offices.

Administration

I reported last year that telephone costs had continued to rise, and we were out of contract in September 2021 (Actually end December 2021) and the phones we had were fine so we would just continue with what we had. Unfortunately, BT wanted us to sign up to another five-year contract otherwise the out of contract costs would increase by 75%. This was deemed unacceptable as the phones may be past their best at the ten-year point and an increase of 75% was not reasonable. Following going out to market our IT providers offered a solution that is considerably cheaper and can use our existing phones as well as providing soft phones for our computers and mobile phones. The budget for 2022/23 is therefore reduced by almost 30%.

Annual IT costs continue to be a large proportion of the administration budget keeping our systems running efficiently and protecting the Board's data and the personal details of our rate payers and partners. The total cost of the HBP contract for 2022/23 is £18,644 including Support, monitoring, Cyber Security, Accounting software, Firewall and antivirus, backups, Microsoft subscriptions, email systems and new this year phone system support. This is up from £17,767 last year with the majority of the increase being expected price increases from Microsoft in 2022.

Miscellaneous

Budget included in Miscellaneous is representative of last year's budget as most costs included have not been realised in 2021/22. Board meeting buffets, ADA Conference costs, Lincs ADA AGM, Floodex, Member's travel expenses etc.

Inspection

Budget has been included to fund two works inspection tours, North and South at £1750 each.

Election

No Election is due or planned in 2022/23.

Equipment and Building Maintenance

The Equipment and Building Maintenance budget has been maintained as previous levels for 2022/23.

The continuous replacement of computers is planned for 2022/23 with three desktops planned to be replaced. This policy of replacing computers every 4/5 years seems to be the most efficient and cost-effective way of making sure the IT systems staff now rely on is working well and can keep up with the demands modern programmes exert on them.

In addition to the desktops to be replaced it is also planned to purchase a new fast scanner for routine document archiving and a book scanner that will allow the historic minute books to be more easily and efficiently scanned. The long-term aim is that they will be able to be published on our website and will be searchable for when we have to reference historic Board decisions. £5,700 has been included to upgrade the existing Network switches that have been questionable over the past twelve months. They were originally bought and installed in 2012 so will be 10 years old and are the key element that directs data around our office. The remaining budget has been maintained for unplanned computer purchases and repairs.

Whilst we do not currently have any specific building maintenance planned the budget has been maintained at the same level as last year, last year this was used to fund 50% of replacing all the lighting with LED lighting in the office and depot, as many units were not operational following return from Lockdown with halogen and fluorescent bulbs being phased out by September 2022. This should also reduce our electricity costs and carbon footprint.

Depot

A 3% increase has been allowed for in relation to business rates.

A reduction of £1,200 has been included for the changes in lights detailed above.

Gas and water have been included based on actuals with all other costs being maintained at similar levels to last year.

Bungalow

Only mandatory servicing and minor repairs are expected in 2022/23 so the budget has been maintained. The boiler was replaced last year.

Administration and Establishment Overall

Overall, an increase of 7.87% has been included in the Administration and Establishment budget most of which is attributed to Admin Salary costs.

n) Development Reserve

The anticipated position of the Development Reserve account at the end of the current financial year is as follows.

Opening Balance @ 1st April 2021	£	275,903
Developer Contributions	£	127,258
Use of development Fund	£	0
Admin Charge	£	(5,000)
Estimated Closing Balance @ 31st March 2022	<u>£</u>	<u>398,161</u>

No expenditure is planned or expected from this reserve.

o) Wages On-Cost Reserve

After consideration of all the costs associated with employing the work force including supervision, management and training it has been calculated that given the expected recharges in 2022/23 that the oncost rate will need to be increased from 260% to 270%.

Wage Cost increases for the workforce equates to an increased cost of 5.67% overall including an additional Drainage Operative, increase in Employers NI and Superannuation deficit payment.

p) 10 Year Plant replacement Estimates

The report included at Annex F includes updated actuals for the current financial year.

The budget for the JCB 145, Vauxhall Tipper, Tipping Trailer and 4m trailer have all been deferred from 2021/22 as lead times are excessive or suitable vehicles not available due to COVID and Brexit challenges.

q) General Reserve

In 2031/32 a General Reserve of £1,138,401 is estimated which will equate to 33.39% with the current estimates.

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD 2022/23 Budget and 10 Year Estimates

Income	Actual	Budget	Forecast @	Budget / Estimates									
	2020/21	2021/22	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32
Rates and Levies	2,143,773	2,209,972	2,204,234	2,354,046	2,459,676	2,570,336	2,660,876	2,727,943	2,796,687	2,867,107	2,939,204	3,012,977	3,088,427
Interest & Investment Income	16,247	16,501	13,272	15,662	15,975	16,295	16,621	16,953	17,292	17,638	17,991	18,351	18,718
Grants/Local Levy	316,986	282,000	169,500	520,000	790,000	521,000	530,000						
Contribution Development Fund	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Other Income	58,526	22,867	23,596	23,066	23,527	23,998	24,478	24,967	25,467	25,976	26,496	27,025	27,566
Rechargeable Income	368,040	595,301	736,775	570,608	276,020	281,541	287,171	292,915	298,773	304,749	310,844	317,060	323,402
Solar Panel Income	17,121	18,752	17,077	18,583	18,955	19,334	19,720	20,115	20,517	20,927	21,346	21,773	22,208
TOTAL INCOME	2,925,693	3,150,393	3,169,453	3,506,965	3,589,153	3,437,503	3,543,866	3,087,893	3,163,736	3,241,397	3,320,880	3,402,186	3,485,321

Expenditure	Actual	Budget	Forecast @	Budget / Estimates									
	2020/21	2021/22	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32
Board Funded Schemes	302,926	204,000	142,875	170,000	259,000	294,000	315,000	255,000	273,000	281,000	290,000	317,000	324,925
FDGiA/Local Levy Funded Schemes	141,222	282,000	788,334	520,000	790,000	521,000	530,000						
Pumping Station Maintenance	326,769	392,841	440,143	448,942	457,921	467,079	478,756	490,725	502,993	515,568	528,457	541,669	555,210
Electricity	247,733												
Drain Maintenance	823,466	893,205	888,033	911,268	929,493	948,083	971,785	996,080	1,020,982	1,046,506	1,072,669	1,099,486	1,126,973
Environmental Works	15,873	20,000	16,248	20,000	20,400	20,808	21,328	21,861	22,408	22,968	23,542	24,131	24,734
Administration & Establishment	559,536	564,314	566,492	608,714	623,932	639,530	655,518	671,906	688,704	705,922	723,570	741,659	760,200
EA Precept	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	283,466	290,552	297,816	305,262	312,893
Rechargeable Expenditure	315,597	541,183	693,764	530,798	256,763	261,898	267,136	272,479	277,929	283,487	289,157	294,940	300,839
Solar Panel Expenditure	2,327	2,538	3,414	2,534	2,585	2,636	2,702	2,770	2,839	2,910	2,983	3,057	3,134
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3,012,001	3,176,633	3,815,855	3,488,808	3,616,646	3,431,587	3,518,779	2,987,374	3,072,321	3,148,914	3,228,194	3,327,203	3,408,909

OPENING BALANCE	1,220,944	1,234,636	1,234,636	588,234	606,391	578,899	584,815	609,902	710,422	801,837	894,321	987,006	1,061,989
Introduced from Plant Reserve	100,000												
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) IN YEAR	(86,308)	(26,240)	(646,402)	18,157	(27,492)	5,916	25,088	100,519	91,416	92,483	92,686	74,983	76,412
CLOSING BALANCE	1,234,636	1,208,396	588,234	606,391	578,899	584,815	609,902	710,422	801,837	894,321	987,006	1,061,989	1,138,401

Reserve % of Expenditure	40.99%	38.04%	15.42%	17.38%	16.01%	17.04%	17.33%	23.78%	26.10%	28.40%	30.57%	31.92%	33.39%
Reserve % of Expenditure (Excl Grants)	45.81%	41.75%	19.43%	20.43%	20.48%	20.09%	20.41%	23.78%	26.10%	28.40%	30.57%	31.92%	33.39%

RATE	12.84	13.16	13.16	14.04	14.67	15.33	15.87	16.27	16.68	17.10	17.53	17.97	18.42
Increase in Rates		2.49%	2.49%	6.69%	4.49%	4.50%	3.52%	2.52%	2.52%	2.52%	2.51%	2.51%	2.50%

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board 2022/23 Budget

Description	2022/23 Budget	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Rates & Levies	2,354,045	355,435	963,084	159,754	103,976	127,550	35,483	5,894	597,174	1,341		462	14
Interest & Grants	535,662	384	858	2,800	547	2,365	1,459	800	969	2,792	83	933	521,672
Development Fund	5,000												5,000
Other Income	23,066	4,258	1,063	1,794	1,063	1,063	4,135	1,063	1,063	1,063	741	1,063	4,698
Rechargeable Income	570,608	19,218	16,896	66,110	85,799	86,183	122,481	49,190	10,286	7,622		5,085	101,739
Solar Income	18,583	1,983	2,635	2,975	1,814	2,353	1,897	1,100	524	400	478	816	1,609
Total Income	3,506,964	381,278	984,536	233,433	193,198	219,513	165,456	58,047	610,016	13,217	1,302	8,359	634,731
Capital Schemes	690,000	71,600	60,400	38,000	73,000	54,000	53,000	54,000	53,000	54,000	53,000	53,000	73,000
Pumping Station Maintenance	448,942	35,987	33,901	30,280	34,024	31,400	30,377	33,969	44,577	37,253	41,186	48,171	47,818
Drain Maintenance	911,268	11,008	8,908	19,619	5,168	131,185	126,224	145,906	133,303	105,274	68,857	70,276	85,540
Environmental Works	20,000	1,147	4,340	711	292	402	569	202	3,038	578	2,169	412	6,142
Admin & Establishment	608,714	54,338	47,242	53,082	50,717	47,186	50,930	48,705	46,118	44,641	63,905	49,343	52,509
EA Precept	276,552		138,276							138,276			
Solar Expenses	2,534										2,534		
Rechargeable Expenditure	530,798	17,877	15,717	61,498	79,813	80,170	113,936	45,758	9,568	7,090		4,730	94,641
Development Fund													
On Costs													
Total Expenditure	3,488,807	191,956	308,784	203,189	243,013	344,343	375,035	328,539	289,604	387,111	231,652	225,932	359,649
Surplus / Deficit	18,157	189,322	675,751	30,244	(49,815)	(124,829)	(209,579)	(270,492)	320,412	(373,895)	(230,351)	(217,573)	275,082

Analysis

Description	2022/23 Budget	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Summer Cutting	578,326	11,008	8,908	19,619	5,168	131,185	120,374	145,906	104,794	30,764	600		
Winter Maintenance	247,842						5,850			32,996	58,180	67,776	83,040
Chemical	0												0
Bushing	75,100								28,509	39,014	7,577		
Pest Cont													
Jetting	10,000									2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Drain Maintenance	911,268	11,008	8,908	19,619	5,168	131,185	126,224	145,906	133,303	105,274	68,857	70,276	85,540

**Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board
10 Year Capital Schemes Budget
2022/23 to 2031/32**

Year	Type	Scheme	Total	Grant	Local Levy	Possible Board Contribution	Drain	PS
2022/23	Drain	Ewerby Fen Catchment Works	£ 530,000	£ 410,000	£ 70,000	£ 50,000		
	Drain	Graft Drain improvements	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Drain	Dowsby Lode Catchment Works	£ 45,000	£ 20,000		£ 25,000		
	Drain	Haconby Fen Catchment Works	£ 20,000	£ 20,000				
	Drain	Alternative Programme access works	£ 20,000				£ 20,000	
	Pump	Dyke Fen PS, refurbish 1 pump motor	£ 3,000					£ 3,000
	Pump	Dunsby Fen PS, refurbish 1 pump motor	£ 3,000					£ 3,000
	Pump	Gosberton Fen PS refurbish 1 pump motor	£ 4,000					£ 4,000
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
				£ 690,000	£ 450,000	£ 70,000	£ 75,000	£ 85,000
2023/24	Drain	Horbling Town Beck Flood Alleviation scheme	£ 525,000	£ 410,000	£ 95,000	£ 20,000		
	Drain	Dunsby Fen Catchment Works	£ 335,000	£ 230,000	£ 55,000	£ 50,000		
	Pump	Great Hale Fen PS refurbish weedscreen cleaner	£ 75,000					£ 75,000
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 40,000				£ 40,000	
	Pump	Dyke Fen PS, refurbish 1 pump and 1 motor	£ 25,000					£ 25,000
	Drain	Quadrang North Fen roadside revetment	£ 24,000				£ 24,000	
	Drain	Alternative Programme access works	£ 20,000				£ 20,000	
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 1,049,000	£ 640,000	£ 150,000	£ 70,000	£ 89,000	£ 100,000
2024/25	Drain	NFF Desilting	£ 65,000				£ 65,000	
	Drain	Bicker Fen Catchment works	£ 325,000	£ 275,000	£ 1,000	£ 49,000		
	Drain	Dowsby Lode Catchment Works	£ 245,000	£ 245,000				
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Pump	Ewerby Fen PS Replace control panel	£ 60,000					£ 60,000
	Pump	Kirton Marsh PS refurbish 1 pump and 1 motor	£ 30,000					£ 30,000
	Drain	Dyke Fen (New Dyke) revetments	£ 25,000				£ 25,000	
Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000		
			£ 815,000	£ 520,000	£ 1,000	£ 49,000	£ 155,000	£ 90,000
2025/26	Drain	Claydyke desilting	£ 65,000				£ 65,000	
	Drain	Haconby Fen Catchment Works	£ 280,000	£ 255,000		£ 25,000		
	Drain	Dowsby Fen Catchment Works	£ 300,000	£ 275,000		£ 25,000		
	Pump	Damford PS replace control panel	£ 65,000					£ 65,000
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 40,000				£ 40,000	
	Drain	Spread & Level Lagoon NFF	£ 10,000				£ 10,000	
	Drain	Dyke Fen (New Dyke) revetments	£ 35,000				£ 35,000	
	Drain	NFF Desilting	£ 20,000				£ 20,000	
	Pump	Haconby PS refurbish axial flow pump	£ 25,000					£ 25,000
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 845,000	£ 530,000	£ -	£ 50,000	£ 175,000	£ 90,000
2026/27	Drain	Claydyke desilting	£ 65,000				£ 65,000	
	Drain	SFFD Desilting Guthrum to Blackhole Drove PS	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 50,000				£ 50,000	
	Pump	Gosberton Fen PS Refurbish 3 x axial flow pumps	£ 40,000					£ 40,000
	Pump	Haconby Fen PS Replace control panel	£ 35,000					£ 35,000
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
				£ 255,000	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 180,000
2027/28	Drain	SFFD Desilting Guthrum to Blackhole Drove PS	£ 80,000				£ 80,000	
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 50,000				£ 50,000	
	Pump	Cooks Lock p/s refurbish weedscreen cleaner	£ 50,000					£ 50,000
	Drain	New Hammond Beck Desilting	£ 40,000				£ 40,000	
	Pump	Bicker Fen replacement control panel	£ 33,000					£ 33,000
	Pump	Bicker Fen refurb 1 x axial flow pump	£ 15,000					£ 15,000
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 273,000	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 175,000	£ 98,000
2028/29	Drain	Old Hammond Beck Desilting	£ 80,000				£ 80,000	
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Pump	Donington NI refurbish 3 x axial flow pumps	£ 43,000					£ 43,000
	Pump	Kirton Marsh p/s replace control panel	£ 35,000					£ 35,000
	Drain	Bourne Fen 28/10 Revetment	£ 30,000				£ 30,000	
	Pump	Great Hale Fen refurb 1 x axial flow pump	£ 17,000					£ 17,000
	Pump	Helpringham p/s new roof	£ 11,000					£ 11,000
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 281,000	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 175,000	£ 106,000
2029/30	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Pump	Chain Bridge p/s refurbish 3 x axial flow pumps	£ 45,000					£ 45,000
	Drain	Gosberton pump drain desilting/pump inspection	£ 36,000				£ 36,000	
	Drain	Dowsby Fen pump drain desilting/pump inspection	£ 36,000				£ 36,000	
	Pump	Quadrang Fen p/s replace control panel	£ 40,000					£ 40,000
	Pump	Allen House p/s replace control panel	£ 32,000					£ 32,000
	Drain	Chain Bridge pump drain desilting/pump inspection	£ 36,000				£ 36,000	
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 290,000	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 173,000	£ 117,000
2030/31	Drain	Swineshead pump drain desilting/under pump inspections	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 60,000				£ 60,000	
	Pump	Horbling p/s control panel	£ 45,000					£ 45,000
	Pump	Mallard Hurn control panel	£ 45,000					£ 45,000
	Drain	Cooks Lock pump drain desilting/under pump inspections	£ 42,000				£ 42,000	
	Pump	Trinity College refurb pumps	£ 35,000					£ 35,000
	Drain	Black Hole Drove p/s under pump inspections	£ 25,000				£ 25,000	
	Drain	General culvert replacement contributions	£ 5,000				£ 5,000	
			£ 317,000	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 192,000	£ 125,000
2031/32	Drain	Jetting to major pipelines	£ 70,000				£ 70,000	
	Drain	Heckington Fen pump drain desilting under pump inspections	£ 24,925				£ 24,925	
	Pump	Billingborough Fen p/s control panel	£ 50,000					£ 50,000
	Pump	Dowsby Lode p/s control panel	£ 50,000					£ 50,000
	Pump	Pinchbeck Fen p/s control panel	£ 50,000					£ 50,000
	Drain	Holland Fen pump drain desilting/under pump inspections	£ 50,000				£ 50,000	
	Drain	Helpringham pump drain desilting/under pump inspections	£ 30,000				£ 30,000	
			£ 324,925	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 174,925	£ 150,000

Wages Oncost Reserve 2022/23 Budget

	2020/21 Actual	2021/22 Estimate	2022/23 Budget	2022/23 Oncost Rate
Basic Pay	343,890	352,871	385,572	
Overtime	44,190	45,595	41,954	
Call Out	3,139	2,850	1,400	
Holiday Pay		170		
Ess User	25,225	25,776	27,911	
Mileage	29,120	29,581	31,301	
Arrears	1,015	1,698		
ERs NI	40,541	41,697	46,944	
ERs Superan	102,633	104,897	105,829	
Wages Costs	589,753	605,135	640,910	
Cleaning	1,787	864	881	
Telephone	9,846	8,866	9,043	
Stationery	74	74	75	
H&S	3,407	4,214	4,298	
Prot Clothing	3,976	3,749	3,824	
Misc	154	413	421	
Training	3,632	5,488	5,598	
Plant Oils & Lubricants		62	64	
Leg & Prof	695	10,740	2,955	
Labour	12,883	15,814	16,131	
Pump Eng	13,358	646	659	
Wages Rech	(639,655)	(646,734)	(672,166)	265
JCB JS-130 (YS14 WBO)		360	367	

Reserve B/F		27,810	18,120
Surplus/(Deficit)		(9,690)	(13,059)
Reserve C/F	27,810	18,120	5,061

PLANT REPLACEMENT BUDGETS 2022/23

Existing Plant/Equipment	Year Purchased	Hours / Miles	Age	Replace Year	New Plant	Cost	Trade in	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32
Brought Forward		As at December 2020						£169,949	£168,887	£65,842	£128,504	£92,804	£179,775	£2	£26,315	£117,083	£340,692
Twiga SPV2 (2015)	2015/16	5322 hrs	8 years	2023/24	Twiga/Herder?	£275,000	£41,325		£233,675								£275,685
Twiga SPV2 (2019)	2019/20	1721 hrs	8 years	2027/28	Twiga/Herder?	£289,880	£41,325						£248,555				
Twiga SPV2 (2017)	2017/18	3421 hrs	8 years	2025/26	Twiga/Herder?	£279,800	£41,325				£238,475						
Aebi T211	2016/17	2833 hrs	9 years	2028/29	Aebi & Rear Flail	£80,000	£25,000							£55,000			
Hitachi ZX 210LC-5B	2016/17	5785 hrs	8 years	2024/25	20T Excavator	£150,000	£40,000			£110,000							
Unimog	2020/21	42,047 km	8 years	2028/29	New unimog	£148,000	£36,000							£112,000			
JCB 130 Telescopic LR	2019/20	3290 hrs	8 years	2027/28	13T Telescopic Exc.	£105,000	£23,500						£81,500				
JCB 145 Standard & LR	2019/20	2346 hrs	8 years	2026/27	13T LR	£138,000	£25,000					£113,000					
JCB 145 Telescopic LR	2021/22		8 years	2029/30	16T Telescopic Exc	£150,300	£25,000								£125,300		
JCB 130 Telescopic LR	2014/15	8836 hrs	8 years	2022/23	13T Telescopic Exc.	£110,000	£22,000	£88,000									
JCB 531 Teleporter	2012/13																
Vauxhall (Fitter)	2019/20	26,695 miles	7 years	2026/27	Fitters Van	£17,000	£3,000					£14,000					
Mitsubishi(Pump Engineer)	2019/20	31,478 miles	4 years	2023/24	Pick-Up	£26,000	£5,000		£21,000				£22,302				£23,685
Mitsubishi(Works Supervisor)	2019/20	59,238 miles	4 years	2023/24	Pick-Up	£26,000	£4,000		£22,000				£23,364				£24,813
Mitsubishi(Pump Maintenance)	2019/20	25,760 miles	4 years	2023/24	Pick-Up	£26,000	£5,000		£21,000				£22,302				£23,685
Mitsubishi (Works Manager)	2019/20	18,350 miles	4 years	2024/25	Pick-Up	£26,000	£5,000			£21,000				£22,302			
Vauxhall Tipper	2012/13	89,643 miles	9 years	2022/23	Tipper	£28,500	£1,000	£27,500									£24,026
Dump Trailer 1	2006		16 years	2022/23	Dump Trailer	£19,500		£19,500									
Low Loader Trailer	2020/21		16 years	2020/21	Low Loader	£27,000	£2,000										
Tipping Trailer								£5,000									
4m Trailer								£4,238									
100mm Self priming Pump			15 years	2022/23		£22,000		£22,000									
Vibrating piling hammer	2015/16		20 years	2035/36													
150mm Portable Pump	2006		15 years	2022/23		£30,000		£30,000									
Compressor	2008		18 years	2023/24		£6,000											
Weedbaskets									£7,000		£7,000			£7,000	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000
Ride on Lawnmower	2016/17		8 Years	2024/25		£17,000	£5,000			£12,000							
Fuel Tanks								£2,500							£3,000		
8" Mobile Pump			20 Years														
Depot Repairs for H&S																	
Net Spend from Plant Reserve								£198,738	£304,675	£143,000	£245,475	£127,000	£398,023	£196,302	£136,300	£8,000	£379,893
Generated								£197,676	£201,630	£205,662	£209,775	£213,971	£218,250	£222,615	£227,068	£231,609	£236,241
Balance C/F								£168,887	£65,842	£128,504	£92,804	£179,775	£2	£26,315	£117,083	£340,692	£197,040

Solar Panel Analysis

Income	Period	Swineshead PS	Swineshead HQ	Donington NI	Chainbridge	Wyberton	Great Hale	Holland Fen	Cooks Lock	Gosberton & Dowsby Fen	Black Hole Drove	Heckington	Damford	Dyke Fen	TOTAL
2015 & Prior		7126.69	7614.44	119.69	111.86	111.17	0	118.45	117.34	135.74	106.1	47.08	41.71	47.08	15697.35
2016 Actual		1818.77	5140.47	996.33	1069.91	1078.49	450.17	1057.26	928.16	1176.23	891.15	534.29	429.44	389.48	15960.15
2017 Actual		1789.97	4962.22	1163.05	1041.77	1055.86	606.51	1045.23	882.03	1184.93	866.65	513.72	425.97	457.67	15995.58
2018 Actual		2044.68	5176.37	1251.79	1216.97	1213.88	691.85	1194.97	1024.3	1349.33	987.29	610.98	483.47	315.71	17561.59
2019 Actual		1977.14	4709.3	1197.72	1152.53	1140.65	671.94	1137.47	982.43	1102.25	943.32	586.52	471.3	532.21	16604.78
2020 Actual		2016.25	4497.84	1228.01	1210.13	1252.48	697.18	1173.59	1027.68	1428.78	958.28	606.71	482.76	541.55	17121.24
2021 Actual P1-P6		1401.59	3693.51	967.09	971.18	994.02	556.86	939.08	809.38	828.27	730.84	511.72	407.25	436.16	13246.95
2021 Budget	7	121	337	80	78	79	58	72	61	52	59	42	34	37	1110
2021 Budget	8	58	161	38	37	37	28	34	29	25	28	20	16	18	529
2021 Budget	9	44	122	29	28	29	21	26	22	19	21	15	12	14	402
2021 Budget	10	53	146	35	34	34	25	31	27	23	25	18	15	16	482
2021 Budget	11	90	250	59	58	58	43	53	46	39	43	31	25	28	823
2021 Budget	12	177	493	117	114	115	85	105	90	77	86	61	50	55	1625
		£18,718	£37,303	£7,282	£7,123	£7,199	£3,935	£6,987	£6,046	£7,441	£5,746	£3,598	£2,894	£2,888	£117,159
Expenditure to date		£13,550	£50,805	£11,948	£11,963	£11,948	£12,174	£10,801	£10,167	£16,910	£9,790	£8,455	£8,079	£8,183	£184,773
Net Profit/(Loss) to date (Without savings from generated electricity used)		£5,168	(£13,502)	(£4,666)	(£4,839)	(£4,749)	(£8,239)	(£3,814)	(£4,121)	(£9,470)	(£4,045)	(£4,857)	(£5,185)	(£5,295)	(£67,614)
Estimated Years to break even (without savings from electricity generated used)		7.35	10.72	10.83	11.12	10.97	17.89	10.18	11.27	18.17	11.73	17.30	19.55	19.14	10.51



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By email to all IDB Clerks/CEOs

Thursday 06 January 2022

Dear Clerks & CEOs,

Red diesel: January 2022 Update

Background

Following the government's announcement in March 2020 that it will remove the entitlement to use rebated fuel (red diesel) from most sectors from April 2022, ADA has remained concerned about the significantly increased fuel costs for IDBs as a result of moving their lowland watercourse maintenance operations to white diesel. ADA was also concerned about IDBs' continued access to suitably skilled local contractors who predominantly serve the agricultural market for which their plant machinery will still be entitled to run on rebated fuel.

Throughout 2021 ADA has been corresponding with HM Treasury and Defra on this matter and the timeline attached summarises the key dates so far. ADA has continued to argue that IDBs and their contractors should continue to have an entitlement to use rebated fuel after 1 April 2022, and that land drainage watercourse maintenance and flood defence maintenance operations as 'allowed uses' to enable the contractors and direct workforce of IDBs and other risk management authorities to continue to operate using rebated fuel after 1 April 2022.

HM Treasury clarification

On 17 December ADA received a response from an HM Treasury official providing clarification regarding the circumstances in which IDBs and their contractors may continue to use rebated fuel after 1 April 2022. It is provided as written below in full.

I thought it would be helpful to clarify the circumstances where it will remain possible to use red diesel for water level management activities, as set out in guidance here

(<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-rebated-fuels-entitlement-from-1-april-2022/check-when-rebated-fuel-can-be-used>):

- Anyone will be able to use rebated fuel in vehicles and machines used for purposes relating to agriculture, horticulture, fish farming or forestry. This includes agricultural vehicles, special vehicles, unlicensed vehicles and certain machines and appliances. For these purposes, you can use rebated fuel to travel to and from the place where the vehicle is used, except on roads in unlicensed vehicles. If a vehicle or machine allowed to use rebated fuel is transported by another vehicle, you can only use rebated fuel in the vehicle carrying or towing it if it also qualifies in its own right.*

This means that both IDBs using their direct workforce and contractors will be able to use red diesel in their vehicles/machinery to complete water level and flood risk management work on land used for agriculture (working under the expectation that such activity on this land will at least in part be for the benefit of agricultural activity). As set out in your letter, nearly 70% of land at the highest risk of flooding is in agricultural use, so for a large proportion of your work, IDBs and agricultural contractors will be able to continue using red diesel. It will, however, not be possible to use rebated fuel for water level and flood risk management work on any other land (other than golf courses), unless it is for purposes relating to agriculture.



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ADA welcomes this clarification from HM Treasury, which aligns with the interpretation that some IDB staff had previously expressed regarding IDBs using rebated fuel for watercourse maintenance activities on agricultural land.

Pumping stations

Whilst ADA's understanding was that from 1 April 2022 diesel pumps would have to be powered using white diesel, the most recent clarification from HM Treasury may serve to change that position, where the pumping is of benefit to agricultural land. Certainty remains that rebated fuel may continue to be used after 1 April 2022 to generate electricity that is then used to power the pumps. This exception is because the Finance Bill 2021 states that using rebated fuel for heating and electricity generation in non-commercial premises would be a 'qualifying purpose'.

ADA will continue to persuade government that an accelerated programme of asset replacement would help all risk management authorities upgrade their pumps to the latest carbon reduced and fish friendly electric versions.

Next steps for ADA

ADA still wishes to better understand the circumstances where IDBs may or may not be permitted to use rebated fuels when undertaking work/pumping on non-agricultural land where those IDB operations benefit surrounding agricultural land.

The current wording of Excise Notice 75: Fuels for use in vehicles (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/fuels-for-use-in-vehicles-excise-notice-75>) states that:

Ditch clearing and drainage

*You can use rebated fuel for ditch clearing and drainage only if it is done **solely** for the benefit of land used for agriculture, horticulture or forestry.*

However, HMRC has stated that Excise Notice 75 will be updated in advance of 1 April 2022.

Therefore, ADA proposes to seek:

- further clarification from the government regarding future wording within Excise Notice 75 and government guidance on the changes to rebated fuels entitlement from 1 April 2022, in line with HM Treasury's most recent clarification to us.
- legal advice regarding the circumstances in which rebated fuel may continue to be used on non-agricultural land where those operations benefit surrounding agricultural land.
- legal advice regarding the use of rebated fuel in pumping stations that benefit agricultural land.

These proposals will be discussed at the ADA Policy & Finance Committee meeting on 19 January 2022.

Yours faithfully

Ian Moodie MSci, Technical Manager, ADA

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Timeline of changes to rebated fuels entitlement

11 March 2020 | Budget 2020, the government announced that it will remove the entitlement to use red diesel from most sectors from April 2022.

9 July 2020 | HM Treasury launched public consultation seeks views on reforms to the tax treatment of red diesel and other rebated fuels. ADA was unaware of this consultation at the time and did not respond.

11 January 2021 | ADA submitted an urgent report on the use of red diesel by internal drainage boards to HM Treasury and Defra.

11 March 2021 | Finance Bill 2021 published with provisions for changes to rebated fuels entitlement.

12 March 2021 | ADA shared a pro forma letter for IDBs to send to MPs regarding red diesel entitlement.

23 March 2021 | ADA submitted an updated version of the urgent report to HM Treasury and Defra.

10 June 2021 | Finance Act 2021 received royal assent.

21 June 2021 | ADA met with HM Treasury civil servant leading on these fuel duty changes to discuss the sector's concerns. The outcome of this meeting was a specific request from HM Treasury for ADA to provide further quantitative information about IDBs' use of agricultural contractors.

9 July 2021 | ADA wrote to IDBs providing an update on meeting with HM Treasury and making a request for data regarding IDBs' use of agricultural contractors undertaken by ADA. 61 IDBs responded to this data request over the summer of 2021.

6 October 2021 | ADA wrote to HM Treasury describing IDB operational maintenance in greater detail and presenting results of the IDB contractors survey undertaken. The letter concluded with two alternative policy requests seeking:

- a. to define land drainage watercourse maintenance and flood defence maintenance operations as 'allowed uses', and/or
- b. for land drainage watercourse maintenance to be defined as an 'accepted purpose' in relation to agriculture, such as within *Excise Notice 75: Fuels for use in vehicles*.

15 October 2021 | ADA receives interim guidance on changes to rebated fuels entitlement from 1 April 2022 from HMRC.

11 November 2021 | Interim guidance on changes to rebated fuels entitlement from 1 April 2022 published on gov.uk website (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-rebated-fuels-entitlement-from-1-april-2022>).

30 November 2021 | HM Treasury responded to ADA's letter thanking ADA for the data provided. It did not address the questions and policy requests made in ADA's letter. HM Treasury directed ADA to discuss the implications that we set out with Defra colleagues. It should be noted that ADA was originally encouraged to discuss the matter directly with HM Treasury by Defra officials.

17 December 2021 | HM Treasury writes again to ADA clarifying that '*IDBs using their direct workforce and contractors will be able to use red diesel in their vehicles/machinery to complete water level and flood risk*

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management work on land used for agriculture (working under the expectation that such activity on this land will at least in part be for the benefit of agricultural activity).'

7 January 2022 | ADA writes to IDBs regarding the clarification provided by HM Treasury, and outlining next steps ADA proposes to take.

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

BOARD MEETING - 8TH FEBRUARY 2022

AGENDA ITEM 07

2022/23 BUDGET AND TEN-YEAR ESTIMATES

Introduction

With adjustments made for the increased income and reduced expenditure detailed below we have been able to reassess the original rate presented to the Executive Committee and the 14.04p (6.69% increase) we have been able to limit the rate to 13.71p (4.18% increase) and reduce increases in the following two years by half a percentile each.

This achieves the current objectives of the Board to:

- Maintain the general reserve above 20% of expenditure
- Increase the general reserve to 30% over the ten year period, to allow for uninsured Pumping Station costs
- Achieve a balanced budget by the end of the ten year period

Fuel Duty Rebate

The total figure for Drain Maintenance has been reduced by £35,101 when the recharge rates have been reduced to allow for the continued usage of Red Diesel based on the correspondence from ADA referred to in the Executive Committee minutes.

Special Levies – Agricultural Land transfers

It is a requirement of the Land Drainage Act 1991 that a determination be made of the aggregate value of all other land in the district, not chargeable properties, for any financial year by 31st December preceding that financial year.

An assessment of developments in the Boards area has been completed and we have identified 117.93 Acres of land that has been developed and can no longer be used for agricultural purposes in the following Boroughs/Districts

Council	Acres Transferred
Boston Borough Council	26.25
South Holland District Council	88.13
North Kesteven District Council	3.55
South Kesteven District Council	0.00

With the rate indicated above the impact on Special Levies is as follows.

Council	Special Levy	Overall Increase	Increase due to development
Boston Borough Council	£ 885,734.14	5.09%	0.91%
South Holland District Council	£ 166,133.38	23.49%	19.31%
North Kesteven District Council	£ 75,250.35	5.65%	1.47%
South Kesteven District Council	£ 63,232.70	4.18%	0.00%
	£ 1,190,350.57	7.31%	3.13%

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2022/23 Budget and 10 Year Estimates
Red Diesel In & Penny Rate Adjustments- JAN 2022

Income	Actual	Budget	Forecast @	Budget / Estimates									
	2020/21	2021/22	P06 2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32
Rates and Levies	2,143,773	2,209,972	2,204,234	2,329,864	2,423,331	2,520,196	2,608,564	2,673,141	2,739,417	2,807,393	2,877,068	2,948,442	3,021,516
Interest & Investment Income	16,247	16,501	13,272	15,662	15,975	16,295	16,621	16,953	17,292	17,638	17,991	18,351	18,718
Grants/Local Levy	316,986	282,000	169,500	520,000	790,000	521,000	530,000						
Contribution Development Fund	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Other Income	58,526	22,867	23,596	23,066	23,527	23,998	24,478	24,967	25,467	25,976	26,496	27,025	27,566
Rechargeable Income	368,040	595,301	736,775	570,608	276,020	281,541	287,171	292,915	298,773	304,749	310,844	317,060	323,402
Solar Panel Income	17,121	18,752	17,077	18,583	18,955	19,334	19,720	20,115	20,517	20,927	21,346	21,773	22,208
TOTAL INCOME	2,925,693	3,150,393	3,169,453	3,482,783	3,552,808	3,387,363	3,491,554	3,033,091	3,106,466	3,181,683	3,258,744	3,337,651	3,418,410

Expenditure	Actual	Budget	Forecast @	Budget / Estimates									
	2020/21	2021/22	P06 2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32
Board Funded Schemes	302,926	204,000	142,875	170,000	259,000	294,000	315,000	255,000	273,000	281,000	290,000	317,000	324,925
FDGiA/Local Levy Funded Schemes	141,222	282,000	788,334	520,000	790,000	521,000	530,000						
Pumping Station Maintenance	326,769	392,841	440,143	448,942	457,921	467,079	478,756	490,725	502,993	515,568	528,457	541,669	555,210
Electricity	247,733												
Drain Maintenance	823,466	893,205	888,033	876,167	893,690	911,564	934,353	957,712	981,655	1,006,196	1,031,351	1,057,135	1,083,563
Environmental Works	15,873	20,000	16,248	20,000	20,400	20,808	21,328	21,861	22,408	22,968	23,542	24,131	24,734
Administration & Establishment	559,536	564,314	566,492	608,714	623,932	639,530	655,518	671,906	688,704	705,922	723,570	741,659	760,200
EA Precept	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	276,552	283,466	290,552	297,816	305,262	312,893
Rechargeable Expenditure	315,597	541,183	693,764	530,798	256,763	261,898	267,136	272,479	277,929	283,487	289,157	294,940	300,839
Solar Panel Expenditure	2,327	2,538	3,414	2,534	2,585	2,636	2,702	2,770	2,839	2,910	2,983	3,057	3,134
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3,012,001	3,176,633	3,815,855	3,453,707	3,580,843	3,395,068	3,481,347	2,949,006	3,032,994	3,108,604	3,186,876	3,284,852	3,365,499

OPENING BALANCE	1,220,944	1,234,636	1,234,636	588,234	617,310	589,276	581,571	591,778	675,864	749,336	822,416	894,283	947,082
Introduced from Plant Reserve	100,000												
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) IN YEAR	(86,308)	(26,240)	(646,402)	29,076	(28,034)	(7,705)	10,208	84,085	73,473	73,079	71,868	52,799	52,911
CLOSING BALANCE	1,234,636	1,208,396	588,234	617,310	589,276	581,571	591,778	675,864	749,336	822,416	894,283	947,082	999,993

Reserve % of Expenditure	40.99%	38.04%	15.42%	17.87%	16.46%	17.13%	17.00%	22.92%	24.71%	26.46%	28.06%	28.83%	29.71%
Reserve % of Expenditure (Excl Grants)	45.81%	41.75%	19.43%	21.04%	21.11%	20.24%	20.05%	22.92%	24.71%	26.46%	28.06%	28.83%	29.71%

RATE	12.84	13.16	13.16	13.71	14.26	14.83	15.35	15.73	16.12	16.52	16.93	17.35	17.78
Increase in Rates		2.49%	2.49%	4.18%	4.01%	4.00%	3.51%	2.48%	2.48%	2.48%	2.48%	2.48%	2.48%

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

BOARD MEETING - 8TH FEBRUARY 2022

AGENDA ITEM 08

PERIOD 09 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS

Income

- Drainage Rate collection slightly behind (£8,838) probably attributable to Court issues previously reported.
 - Although only £4,611.98 outstanding
- Consents invoice for numerous consents for Viking Link (£4,250)
- WRE Admin Income included in Misc income (May – Dec 2021) (£4,800)
- Overall Income £227,634 greater than expected in the original budget and £41,713 than the Q2 Forecast.

Expenditure

- Another £13,614 charged to Emergency Large Slip repairs in schemes. (YTD = £35,960) no budget for year.
- NFF revetments – £55k less than expected Royal Smals invoice to be paid in P10
- PS Automation £53k less than expected. Will project be complete before 31 March 2022?
- £9,692 underspend on Pumping Station Maintenance in period (YTD = £47k overspend)
 - If weather remains favourable may recover the majority of the overspend in Q4?
 - Not wanting to prompt fate but Electricity is currently £38,406 less than last year (34.77%)
- Drain Maintenance – Recovered £54,581 of overspend in P9 (Only £26,148 overspend for the year now)
 - £25,893 from Drain Maintenance as planned
 - £40,139 from Summer cutting due to finishing early
 - £13,950 overspend on bushing but £15k underspent YTD
- Overall, a positive picture across the Board

Balance Sheet

- Plant Account continues to out-perform surplus predicted for this year by £15k
- A couple of minor sales invoices still to be sorted but most sorted and right up to date
- Wages Oncost Account has slipped into a slight negative (£4,276 but not a great concern currently)
- Bakkavor Foods Discharge invoice outstanding from June 2021 – Will ask Amy to chase.
- Chestnut Homes invoice from August 2021 not paid. Development fee, Andy has been in correspondence with them
- Investments are unremarkable

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

Project Summary

2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

Description	Period Current Year			Year To Date					Last Year	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Forecast	Variance	Actual YTD	Variance to Current Year
Rates & Levies	498,386	1,109	497,277	2,199,648	2,208,485	(8,837)	2,175,740	23,908	2,125,330	74,318
Interest & Grants	1,763	2,069	(306)	201,165	12,841	188,324	9,858	191,307	131,371	69,794
Development Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	11,467	700	10,767	32,186	19,542	12,644	20,271	11,915	29,746	2,440
Rechargeable Income	10,922	68,426	(57,504)	441,623	404,992	36,631	627,588	(185,965)	260,351	181,272
Solar Panel Income	637	402	235	14,695	15,822	(1,127)	14,146	549	14,694	0
Total Income	523,175	72,706	450,469	2,889,316	2,661,682	227,634	2,847,603	41,713	2,561,492	327,824
Schemes	78,747	33,000	(45,747)	139,766	413,000	273,234	181,172	41,406	100,748	(39,018)
Pumping Station Schemes	27,967	0	(27,967)	37,486	65,000	27,514	95,812	58,326	154,937	117,452
Pumping Station Maintenance	17,742	41,027	9,692	197,322	222,509	(46,879)	269,816	428	211,992	53,076
Electricity	13,593			72,066					110,472	0
Drain Maintenance	66,834	121,415	54,581	669,387	643,239	(26,148)	727,973	58,586	711,402	42,015
Environmental Schemes	766	677	(89)	12,194	16,152	3,958	12,401	207	6,812	(5,382)
Administration & Establishment	51,171	47,055	(4,116)	436,467	414,090	(22,377)	416,268	(20,199)	403,324	(33,144)
EA Precept	0	138,276	138,276	276,552	276,552	0	276,552	0	138,276	(138,276)
Rechargeable Expenditure	(2,005)	62,206	75,133	405,264	368,176	(37,088)	0	(405,264)	231,750	(433,864)
Solar Panel Expenses	0	0	0	3,414	0	(3,414)	3,409	(5)	2,327	(1,087)
Total Expenditure	254,815	443,656	199,764	2,249,918	2,418,718	168,800	1,983,403	(266,515)	2,072,041	(438,228)
Surplus / (Deficit)	268,360	(370,950)	639,310	639,398	242,964	396,434	864,200	(224,802)	489,451	149,947
Movement on reserves										
Plant Reserve	(9,601)	62,206	71,807	(212,755)	(368,176)	(155,421)	(212,755)	0	(295,945)	(83,191)
Pump Engineer Oncost	179	0	(179)	3,554	0	(3,554)	0	(3,554)	12,316	8,762
Wages oncost Reserve	(964)	0	964	(30,233)	0	30,233	(30,233)	0	(77,548)	(47,315)
Grants Manager	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surplus / (Deficit)	278,747	(433,156)	566,718	878,831	611,140	525,176	1,107,188	(221,249)	850,629	271,690

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board Drainage Rates & Special Levies

2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

Drainage Rates & Special Levies Due

Drainage Rates

Annual Drainage Rates - Land and/or buildings	1,097,205.86	
Land/Property - Value Decreased	(10,466.73)	
Land/Property - Value Increased	9,452.95	
New Assessment	1,013.64	
Write Offs & Irrecoverables	(2,340.24)	
Adjustments required for Special Levy		
Summons Collection Costs	100.00	

Balance	1,094,965.48	49.67%
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Special Levies

Boston Borough Council	842,837.86	
South Holland District Council	134,532.30	
North Kesteven District Council	71,228.24	
South Kesteven District Council	60,696.02	
	1,109,294.42	50.33%

Total Due	2,204,259.90	100.00%
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Drainage Rates & Special Levies Collected

B/F Arrears/(Allowances)	(867.40)	
Payments Posted	1,083,557.73	
Returned Amount	(1,350.08)	99.58%
Paid Refund	(234.00)	
Bourne North Fen Trust Contribution	9,247.25	
Special Levies Received	1,109,294.42	100.00%

Total Received	2,199,647.92	
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Drainage Rates & Special Levies Debtors

Special Levy Outstanding	0.00	0.00%
Drainage Rates Outstanding	4,611.98	0.42%

	4,611.98	
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	2,204,259.90	
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Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

Income & Expenditure Summary

2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

	This Year	Last Year	Variance
Drainage Rates	1,090,354	1,052,420	37,933
Special Levies	1,109,294	1,072,910	36,385
Recoverable	441,623	260,351	181,272
Misc Income	234,478	161,707	72,771
Solar Panel Income	14,695	14,694	0
	2,890,443	2,562,082	328,361
Employment Costs	961,060	865,255	(95,805)
Property	136,989	154,877	17,888
General Expenses	165,161	156,458	(8,702)
Materials / Stock	47,268	25,422	(21,846)
Motor & Plant	174,945	285,017	110,072
Miscellaneous	526,199	224,423	(301,776)
Recharges	(496,367)	(541,656)	(45,289)
Plant	496,355	541,656	45,301
Total Expenditure	2,011,612	1,711,453	(300,158)
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	878,832	850,629	28,203

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

Balance Sheet at Period End

2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

	<u>This Year</u>		<u>Last Year</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Operational Land & Buildings Cost	1,009,350		739,350	
Pumping Stations Cost	3,861,354		3,861,354	
Non-operational Property Cost	165,000		130,000	
Vehicles, Plant & Machinery Cost	897,367		1,011,648	
Fixed Assets		5,933,071		5,742,352
Stock	25,938		41,112	
Debtors Control	18,531		1,368	
VAT	(19,079)		4,341	
Car Loans	9,777		12,615	
Prepayments	68,055		70,783	
Drawings Bank Account	10,000		9,872	
Call Bank Account	310,000		310,000	
Petty Cash	200		363	
Highland Water	0		0	
Work in Progress	(630,684)		(472,629)	
Nat West Government Procurement C	0		0	
Brewin Dolphin Investment	511,176		494,764	
Natwest Reserve Account	2,294,357		1,714,140	
Total Current Assets		2,598,270		2,186,728
Trade Creditors	3,246		(202)	
PAYE & NI Control Account	(23,685)		(19,709)	
Superannuation Contrl Account	(17,143)		(14,813)	
Accruals	(21,569)		(75,384)	
Total Liabilities		(59,150)		(110,109)
Pension Liability		(3,476,000)		(2,744,000)
		4,996,191		5,074,972
Capital Reserve	5,874,826		5,561,654	
Pension Reserve	(3,476,000)		(2,744,000)	
Brewin Dolphin Revaluation	11,176		(5,236)	
Total Capital		2,410,002		2,812,417
Revenue Reserve	1,234,635		1,220,944	
Development Reserve	377,507		198,476	
Plant Reserve	67,405		19,408	
Wages Oncost Reserve	27,810		(26,902)	
General Resere	878,832		850,629	
Total Reserves		2,586,189		2,262,554
		4,996,191	0	5,074,972
<u>Cash & Bank Balances</u>				
Drawings Account		10,000		
Call Account		8,485	310,000	
Natwest Reserve Account @ 0.01%		2,294,357		
Petty Cash		200		
Chargecard		0		
Monmouthshire BS @ 0.40%		301,515	30 Day Notice	
		2,614,557		

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

Investment Summary

2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

PORTFOLIO P1684056 VALUATION DATE 12 Jan 2022

02/01/2021 - 02/01/2022

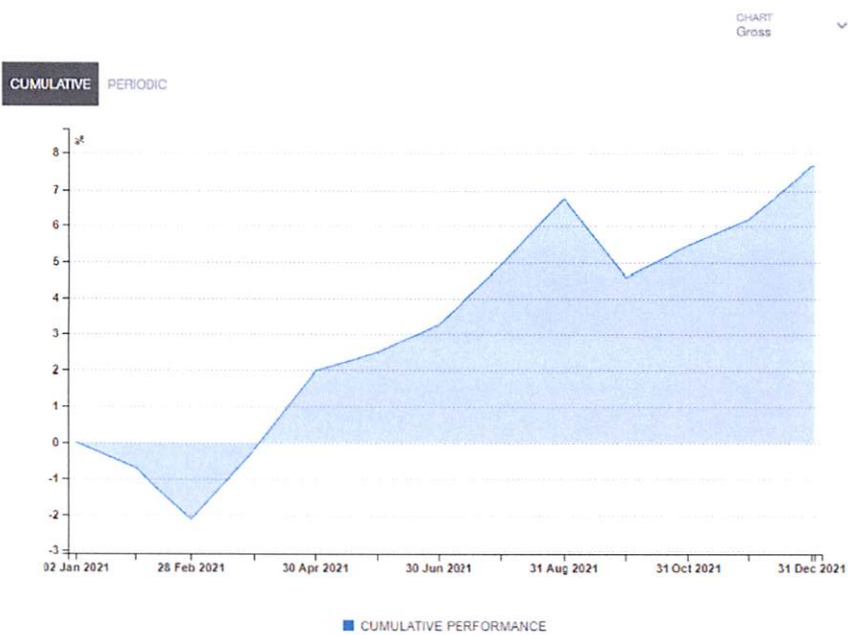
Portfolio Overview

LAST 12 MONTHS PERFORMANCE
7.67% ↑

TOTAL VALUE
511,175.84 GBP

ESTIMATED ANNUAL INCOME
14,542.32 GBP

Performance



Portfolio Summary			
BOOK COST	OVERALL GAIN OR LOSS	ESTIMATED ANNUAL INCOME	ESTIMATED YIELD %
474,333.76 GBP	7.77% ↑	14,542.32 GBP	2.84% ↑

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board BFF Investment Summary 2021/22

Period 09 - December 2021

PORTFOLIO F0000789299 VALUATION DATE 12 Jan 2022

02/01/2021 - 02/01/2022

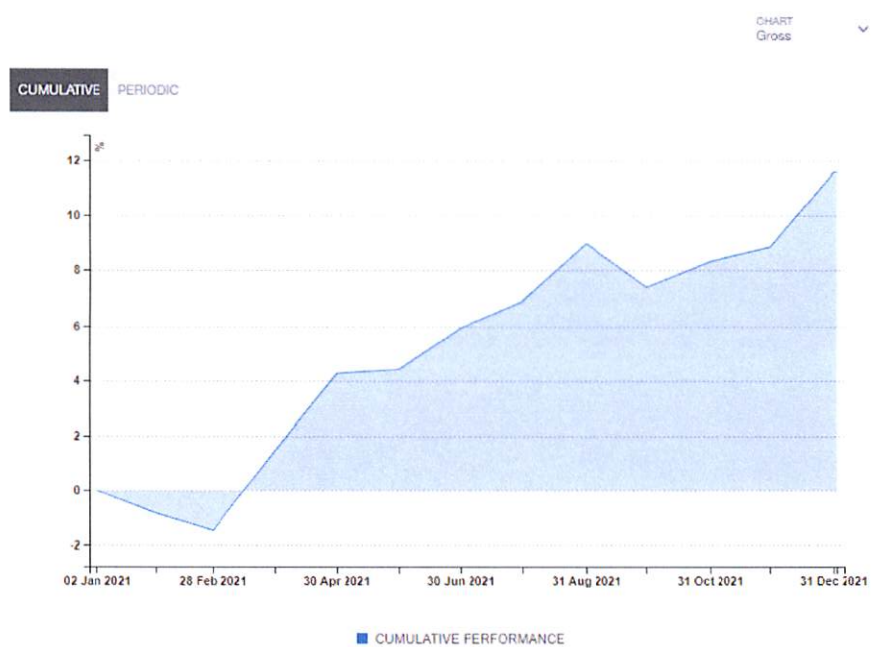
Portfolio Overview

LAST 12 MONTHS PERFORMANCE
11.59% ↑

TOTAL VALUE
376,086.75 GBP

ESTIMATED ANNUAL INCOME
10,984.07 GBP

Performance



Portfolio Summary

BOOK COST	OVERALL GAIN OR LOSS	ESTIMATED ANNUAL INCOME	ESTIMATED YIELD %
317,734.76 GBP	18.37% ↑	10,984.07 GBP	2.92% ↑

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

BOARD MEETING - 8TH FEBRUARY 2022

AGENDA ITEM 08

QUARTER 3 FORECAST

Income

- We have assumed that all remaining outstanding Drainage Rates will be collected £4,530.70
- We have amended the final 3 months Brewin Dolphin figures to their estimate
- Additional income in the form of Grants has been included in Q3 as follows;
 - £35k Dowsby Study
 - £17k Bicker Study
 - £7k Dunsby Study
 - £35k Ewerby Study
 - £10k Horbling Study
- Recoverable Income has been reduced in line with what is actually expected. We have the following accruals as WIP from the EA;
 - £38,098.92 SFFD Desilting
 - £325,634.45 NFM – Swaton
 - £268,489.51 EA Recovery Works

Expenditure

- Board Funded Schemes
 - Wyberton Marsh PS Refurb included at an overspend of £6,729
 - £1,029 overspend on budget for planned work
 - Additional £5,700 included for replacement Siphons on the remaining 2 pumps to complete all refurb work
- FDGiA Funded Schemes
 - Sempringham PS – Expected to be on budget but considerable costs won't be incurred until 2022/23 > £110,000
 - PS Automation & Gauge Boards – Will be substantially complete by 31 March 2022
 - May be some internal installation costs that run into 2022/23
 - NFF Revetments/Pipeline – Aiming to have complete by 31 March 2022
 - Hoping to pay Lagoon rent in advance
 - Levelling the lagoon costs will be in next year or beyond C£15k
 - £361k FDGiA, £8k Local Levy, £70k Board contribution
 - Catchment studies increased in line with additional Grant Income received detailed above
- PS Maintenance
 - Electricity estimates reduced to bring back in line with budget for the year
 - May be further savings going forward
- Drain Maintenance
 - £45k saving in Summer cutting due to early finish following favourable conditions, efficient practices & reliability of machines
 - £8,000 contingency retained for hired machine for warranty repairs
 - £37,000 re-allocated to Drain Maintenance for non-emergency slip repairs
- Admin Salary increased to average monthly cost including acting up pay

Overall, this is much more positive news financially than the first eight months of the year and with the additional allocations to our maintenance and schemes we still Forecast to have £16,926 less to take from the reserve than was included in V1 of the budget we reviewed at the Executive Committee meeting on 18th January.

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

2021/22 Forecast

Quarter 3 - Period 9 - December 2021

Description	2021/22 Budget	2021/22 Forecast	Difference	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
				Actual	Actual	Actual	Forecast
Rates & Levies	2,209,972	2,204,179	(5,793)	1,355,877	241,316	602,455	4,531
Interest & Grants	298,501	287,550	(10,951)	3,676	3,994	193,495	86,385
Development Fund	5,000	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000
Other Income	22,867	35,511	12,644	7,351	11,748	13,086	3,325
Rechargeable Income	595,301	517,623	(77,678)	92,515	266,494	82,614	76,000
Solar Income	18,752	17,625	(1,127)	6,407	5,699	2,588	2,930
Total Income	3,150,393	3,067,487	(82,906)	1,465,826	529,252	894,239	178,171
Board Funded Schemes	204,000	196,552	7,448	43,044	11,891	14,103	127,515
FDGiA/Local Levy Schemes	282,000	857,960	(575,960)	8,138	2,713	97,364	749,745
Pumping Station Maintenance	392,841	392,720	121	86,939	87,843	94,606	123,332
Drain Maintenance	893,205	883,945	9,260	127,703	252,111	289,574	214,558
Environmental Schemes	20,000	19,542	458	4,756	1,351	6,087	7,348
Administration & Establishment	564,313	587,790	(23,477)	141,380	135,695	159,392	151,323
EA Precept	276,552	276,552	0	138,276	0	138,276	0
Solar Expenses	2,538	3,414	(876)	1,973	1,441	0	0
Rechargeable Expenditure	541,183	478,487	62,696	89,450	260,891	59,055	69,091
Total Expenditure	3,176,632	3,696,963	(520,331)	641,658	753,935	858,457	1,442,912
Surplus / Deficit	(26,239)	(629,476)	(603,237)	824,167	(224,684)	35,782	(1,264,741)

Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

2021/22

Quarter 3 - Period 9 - December 2021

Account	Description	2021/22 Budget	2021/22 Estimate	Variance	April Actual 01	May Actual 02	June Actual 03	July Actual 04	August Actual 05	September Actual 06	October Actual 07	November Actual 08	December Actual 09	January Forecast 10	February Forecast 11	March Forecast 12
8001	Drainage Rates	1,100,878	1,094,885	(5,993)	321,233	335,615	144,382	93,971	115,276	32,069	30,162	7,945	19,701	226	1,403	2,902
8002	Special Leases	1,109,294	1,109,294	0	0	30,348	52,299	0	0	0	30,348	35,114	485,085			
8003	Rates & Levies	2,209,272	2,204,279	(5,993)	35,841	298,954	144,382	93,971	115,276	32,069	60,510	41,559	498,366	226	1,403	2,902
8007	Interest	1,003	1,223	220	123	117	92	157	94	111	155	91	151	74	157	981
8014	Brewin Dolphin Income	15,500	12,827	(2,673)	265	683	2,395	408	2,011	1,212	1,172	815	1,613	934	718	600
8008	Grants	282,000	273,500	(8,500)							189,500			104,000		(10,000)
8019	Interest & Grants	294,500	287,550	(6,950)	389	800	2,487	565	2,395	1,223	190,827	905	1,763	105,408	875	(10,000)
8013	User of Dev. Fund	5,000	5,000	0												5,000
8004	Development Fund	5,000	5,000	0												5,000
8001	Rents	7,366	7,366	0	3,365	300	1,001	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
8004	Consents	4,001	12,037	8,036	750	100	1,100	200	350	100	4,100	100	4,850	28	276	83
8009	Asset Sale							2,000	1,300		(3,300)					
8010	Highland Water	6,500	6,683	183							6,045					638
8012	Misc Inc.	5,000	9,425	4,425			735			854		90	30	6,317	400	400
8013	Other Income	22,467	35,511	13,044	4,115	490	2,436	2,500	2,304	6,445	1,150	430	11,467	276	876	1,021
8005	Rechargeable Income	676,201	512,623	(163,578)	17,302	15,291	52,811	77,649	77,997	110,848	64,270	7,423	10,922	115,000	46,000	11,000
8020	Solar Income - Swainhead PS	2,048	2,055	7	268	243	275	279	192	145	162	55	118	53	90	177
8021	Solar Income - Swainhead HQ	5,696	4,830	(866)	473	445	485	724	612	459	467	183	94	146	250	493
8022	Solar Income - Donington HI PS	1,351	1,284	(67)	165	161	177	180	119	87	97	27	60	35	59	117
8023	Solar Income - Chairbridge PS	1,120	1,285	165	170	155	180	179	119	90	99	27	61	34	58	114
8024	Solar Income - Wyberton PS	1,127	1,270	143	169	159	182	181	128	92	104	81	15	34	58	115
8025	Solar Income - Great Hale PS	980	773	(207)	95	92	103	103	71	50	56	15	35	25	43	85
8026	Solar Income - Holland Fen PS	1,212	1,238	26	162	151	170	173	118	89	97	28	62	31	53	105
8027	Solar Income - Cooks Lock PS	1,037	1,083	46	142	126	146	147	101	80	91	30	56	27	46	90
8028	Solar Income - Gosberton PS	884	715	(169)	92	91	98	99	68	49	55	17	7	23	39	77
8029	Solar Income - Black Hole Drove PS	989	983	(6)	126	120	129	115	92	69	81	27	48	25	43	86
8030	Solar Income - Heckington PS	702	670	(32)	86	88	96	97	64	42	47	11	25	18	31	61
8031	Solar Income - Damford PS	574	516	(58)	65	70	77	78	50	35	38	9	24	15	25	50
8032	Solar Income - Downby Fen PS	313	313	0	15	36	100	68	33	23	29	7	2			
8033	Solar Income - Dyke Fen PS	632	589	(43)	72	72	79	83	55	40	46	15	28	16	28	55
8034	Solar Panel Income	14,752	17,625	2,873	2,100	2,008	2,258	2,526	1,874	1,549	1,469	482	617	482	823	1,625
Total Income		3,150,393	3,067,487	(82,906)	375,577	878,414	211,834	177,212	200,007	152,033	318,266	52,797	523,175	121,444	50,077	6,650
1001	Emergency Large Slip Repairs		35,960	(35,960)	1,383	4,441	4,219	8,630		3,261	413		13,614			
1006	New Hammond Beck		60,000	60,000			25,607	471								33,922
1037	Grass Drain Improvements	50,000		50,000												
1168	Great Hale PS Weirscreen Clean	46,000		46,000												
1169	Kirton Marsh PS - New Flood	10,000		10,000												
1170	Horbling PS - New Flood	9,000		9,000												
1171	Wyberton PS - Pump Refurb	52,729		52,729							116					21,450
1212	Roads Culvert Wyberton				342		(342)									
1228	Jetting Major Pipelines 18/19	94,000	20,000	74,000												20,000
1241	Alternate Prep Anne Access Work	20,000	36,864	(16,864)			6,864									10,000
1300	General Culvert Replacement	5,000		5,000												10,000
1301	Board funded schemes	204,000	176,524	27,476	1,725	36,971	4,348	8,630		3,761	489		13,614	31,450	40,300	54,565
1138	Snapingham PS Refurbishment	206,339	(206,339)													95,000
1165	PS Automation & Gauge Boards	149,641	(149,641)		6,391				1,421		1,243	128	13,467	35,000	30,000	30,791
1167	Local Levy Upper Catchment IWM	49,275	(49,275)										14,500		10,000	24,775
1229	NFF Preventions/Pipeline 18/19	300,873	(300,873)		1,286	30	432					807	65,131	82,000	2,000	149,124
1234	Lane Dyke Culvert Replacement	102,000	1,117	100,883						646		471				
1235	Leavesdale Culvert Replacement		15,558	(15,558)						303		1,257				
1236	GIA Bicker Fen Catchment Works		37,157	(37,157)						86		157				36,914
1237	GIA Dunsby Fen Catchment Study		27,000	(27,000)						86						26,914
1238	GIA Ewerby Fen Catchment Works		55,000	(55,000)						86						54,914
1239	GIA Flood Alleviation Herbaling		30,000	(30,000)						86						29,914
1240	GIA Leavesdale Catchment Study	180,000		180,000												
1242	GIA Dunsby Fen Catchment Study		35,000	(35,000)												35,000
1243	Leavesdale leftmost moony															18,442
1004	FDGIA/Local Levy Schemes	282,000	857,960	(575,960)	7,677	30	437	1,713		513		1,128	1,135	93,100	108,060	117,000
2001	Allen House	532	549	(17)	(50)			121	51	68	34	71	122			342
2002	Bicker Fen	4,735	4,473	(262)	963	340	398	406	220	272	308	178	161	577	460	490
2004	Swainhead	15,437	12,046	3,391	(111)	878	695	1,911	473	1,693	66	347	444	1,885	1,788	2,187
2005	Chain Bridge	14,535	10,545	3,990	108	739	621	711	696	650	289	452	362	1,856	2,025	2,036
2006	Wyberton Marsh	12,133	14,569	(2,436)	(93)	1,417	1,428	1,851	937	836	1,693	1,094	245	1,483	1,795	1,892
2007	Kirton Marsh	8,593	9,416	(823)	114	687	253	1,018	762	157	439	389	1,334	1,311	1,418	1,533
2008	Ewerby	8,210	9,066	(856)	894	484	652	743	914	383	177	151	351	1,213	1,411	1,440
2009	Heckington	8,814	8,649	(165)	242	584	485	727	501	316	414	256	445	1,456	1,417	1,515
2010	Great / Little Hale	8,650	9,883	(1,233)	58	676	606	609	967	346	357	914	975	1,319	1,459	1,547
2011	Holland Fen	21,509	15,031	6,478	(115)	806	684	730	639	532	444	309	635	3,277	3,456	3,835
2012	Cooks Lock	10,579	10,377	202	313	559	411	1,313	553	495	790	491	458	1,495	1,699	1,807
2013	Damford	8,511	7,786	725	35	464	314	475	315	802	1,179	114	382	1,161	1,227	1,301
2014	South Kyme	6,546	6,921	(375)	154	151	159	815	413	62	510	130	87	712	766	884
2015	Amber Hill / Trinity College	5,594	5,451	143	(182)	265	168	997	365	265	244	426	352	815	762	977
2016	Helpringham	8,446	8,738	(292)	1,375	1,398	517	435	349	305	120	419	282	1,023	1,343	1,772
2017	Swaton	6,448	6,549	(101)	439	401	268	614	660	571	209	698	106	880	907	996
2018	Horbling	11,283	9,579	1,704	41	784	391	882	411	365	132	540	448	1,626	1,993	2,167
2019	Billingham	4,967	4,942	25	525	278	204	437	379	222	306	246	223	714	660	732
2020	Snapingham	4,940	6,821	(1,881)	989	1,376	409	483	466	286	254	382	398	534		

**BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD
RISK REGISTER**

Objectives	Ref	Risk	Potential Impact of Risk	Potential Likelihood of Risk	Risk Score	Gaps in control	Action Plan
To provide and maintain standards of sound needs based sustainable flood protection.	1.1	Being unable to prevent flooding to property or land (a) Coastal flooding from failure or overtopping of defences	High	Low	3		
	1.1	(b) Fluvial flooding from failure or overtopping of defences	High	Medium	6		
	1.1	(c) Flooding from failure of IDB pumping stations or excess rainfall	High	Low	3		
	1.1	(d) Flooding from sewers or riparian watercourses	Medium	Low	2		
	1.2	Loss of Electrical Supply	High	Low	3		
	1.3	Pumps failing to operate	High	Low	3		Maintenance
	1.4	Board Watercourses being unable to convey water	Medium	Low	2		Maintenance
	1.5	Operating machinery to maintain watercourses	Medium	Low	2		Training
	1.6	Claims from third parties for damage to property or injury	Medium	Low	2		
	1.7	Third Parties damage to Board maintained assets	Medium	Low	2		
	1.8	Loss of senior staff	Medium	High	6		
	1.9	Insufficient finance to carry out works	Medium	Low	2		
To conserve and enhance the environment wherever practical and possible to ensure there is no net loss of biodiversity.	1.10	Reduction in staff performance	Medium	Low	2		
	1.11	Insufficient staff resources	Medium	Low	2		Review
To provide a 24 hour/365 day emergency response for the community	2.1	Prosecution for not adhering to environmental legislation	Medium	Low	2		BAP
	2.2	Non delivery of objectives	Low	Low	1		BAP
To provide a safe and fulfilling working environment for staff.	3.1	Emergency Plan inadequate or not up to date	Low	Low	1		Review
	3.2	Insufficient resources (Staff and Equipment)	Medium	Low	2		Review
	3.3	Critical Incident loss of office	High	Low	3	None	
To maintain financial records that are correct and comply with all recommended accounting practice.	4.1	Injury to staff and subsequent claims and losses	Medium	Low	2		Training
	4.2	Not complying with Health and Safety legislation	High	Low	3		Consultant
To ensure that all actions taken by the Board comply with all current UK and EU legislation	5.1	Loss of cash	Low	Low	1	None	
	5.2	Loss of money invested in building societies, banks and managed funds	Medium	Low	2	None	
	5.3	Fraud by senior officers	Medium	Low	2	None	
	5.4	Inadequacy of Internal Checks	Medium	Low	2		
	5.5	Fraudulent use of credit cards	Low	Medium	2		
A cost efficient IDB that provides a Value for Money service.	6.1	Board Members in making decisions	Low	Low	1		
	6.2	Not complying with all employment regulations and laws	Medium	Low	2		
Information Technology and Communications	7.1	Collecting insufficient income to fund expenditure	Low	Low	1		Accounts
	7.2	IDB abolished or taken over	Low	Low	1		
Information Technology and Communications	8.1	Loss of telemetry	Medium	Low	2		Maintenance
	8.2	Loss of telephone Communications	Low	Low	1		
	8.3	Loss of Internet Connection	Medium	Low	2		
	8.4	Network Failure	High	Low	3		
	8.5	Breach in Cyber Security	Medium	Low	2		
	8.6	Network Security Breach	Medium	Low	2		
	8.7	Virus being introduced to Network	Medium	Low	2		
	8.8	Loss of accounting records	Medium	Low	2	None	
	8.9	Loss of rating records	Medium	Low	2	None	

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CRO004	07/12/2021	Payment	P09	Bacs	-332.35	CROP LOSS
CRO004	07/12/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-491.19	CROP LOSS
ALA001	09/12/2021	Payment	529649	Bacs	-62.40	Alarmline Security Ltd
BEE001	09/12/2021	Payment	013765	Bacs	-149.40	Beesons of Boston Ltd
BOC001	09/12/2021	Payment	3065821421	Bacs	-59.33	BOC
BUS002	09/12/2021	Payment	BO210143	Bacs	-45.54	B A Bush & Sons Ltd
CEF001	09/12/2021	Payment	BOS/302173	Bacs	-452.96	CEF (Boston)
CLA001	09/12/2021	Payment	78855	Bacs	-134.12	Frank Clayton & Son Ltd
COP002	09/12/2021	Payment	INV-53958	Bacs	-138.55	Cope Safety Management Ltd.
COV001	09/12/2021	Payment	11411	Bacs	-190.80	Cover Up
CRA001	09/12/2021	Payment	SI-6288	Bacs	-51.60	Craven & Nicholas Ltd
CRA004	09/12/2021	Payment	18598	Bacs	-21.51	Craftwork Engineering Ltd
GAP001	09/12/2021	Payment	460529285	Bacs	-25.20	Gap Group Ltd
GRA002	09/12/2021	Payment	S 5748	Bacs	-361.28	Grays of Holbeach Ltd
HIL002	09/12/2021	Payment	159121	Bacs	-582.91	Charles H Hill Ltd
IBB001	09/12/2021	Payment	120113	Bacs	-331.20	Arthur Ibbett Limited
INL001	09/12/2021	Payment	2021 - P08	Bacs	-25913.79	HM Revenue & Customs
JAC001	09/12/2021	Payment	BTN/335741	Bacs	-40.80	Jackson Buildbase
LIN002	09/12/2021	Payment	2021-P08	Bacs	-23832.27	Lincolnshire C C Pension Fund
LIN017	09/12/2021	Payment	TUIT105119	Bacs	-1700.00	Lincoln College
LIN018	09/12/2021	Payment	00021078	Bacs	-240.00	SDG Access Limited
MOT001	09/12/2021	Payment	BTT188782	Bacs	-37.15	Motor Parts Direct Limited
ROY003	09/12/2021	Payment	210025	Bacs	-74280.00	Royal Smals
TEM002	09/12/2021	Payment	15B	Bacs	-738.86	TempRight Ltd
TOW001	09/12/2021	Payment	511367157	Bacs	-67136.27	Towergate Insurance
VEG001	09/12/2021	Payment	850170	Bacs	-5778.00	VEGA Controls Ltd
AVA001	23/12/2021	Payment	INV2507324	Bacs	-2077.61	Avaya Ring Central UK Ltd
BOS002	23/12/2021	Payment	29987	Bacs	-641.33	Boston Commercial Cleaners Ltd

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CAR002	23/12/2021	Payment	48612	Bacs	-5.40	J Carr & Son
CAR003	23/12/2021	Payment	9018190	Bacs	-61823.69	Carrier Rental Systems
CLA001	23/12/2021	Payment	78856	Bacs	-177.76	Frank Clayton & Son Ltd
CRA004	23/12/2021	Payment	18706	Bacs	-1633.23	Craftwork Engineering Ltd
CRP001	23/12/2021	Payment	BS/BSIDB/WINDOWS/21	Bacs	-40.00	C & R Property Services
DOU001	23/12/2021	Payment	436899	Bacs	-37.92	John W Doubleday Limited
ELS001	23/12/2021	Payment	78559	Bacs	-177.30	Health Guard t/a Elston Enviro
HAR001	23/12/2021	Payment	23186465	Bacs	-3536.05	TC Harrison JCB
IRE001	23/12/2021	Payment	223203	Bacs	-2420.21	Irelands Farm Machinery Ltd
LAR001	23/12/2021	Payment	71444	Bacs	-220.80	Ray Larrington Hydraulics
MAS001	23/12/2021	Payment	ESI001938	Bacs	-114.00	Mastenbroek Environmental Ltd
ONE002	23/12/2021	Payment	23/11/21/JB/BS	Bacs	-196.00	O'Neils Catering Services
SAM001	23/12/2021	Payment	070700	Bacs	-230.96	SAMS
SHE001	23/12/2021	Payment	25145	Bacs	-8242.80	Shelley Signs Ltd
TFM001	23/12/2021	Payment	267222	Bacs	-332.47	TFM Supplies
TOW001	23/12/2021	Payment	509631442	Bacs	-50.50	Towergate Insurance
TRA006	23/12/2021	Payment	1217580778	Bacs	-35.46	Trade UK
VER002	23/12/2021	Payment	6283	Bacs	-4959.00	Verdant Solutions Ltd
WHEL001	23/12/2021	Payment	Shaft Repair	Bacs	-80.00	Whelbourn Engineering
WOO001	23/12/2021	Payment	981482	Bacs	-349.71	WBM Office Solutions Limited
CON007	02/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-6.00	Continental Automotive
BAR005	10/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-12.88	Barclaycard Merchant Services
BAR005	10/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-12.88	Barclaycard Merchant Services
TOM002	13/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-94.80	TomTom
TOM002	13/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-193.32	TomTom
PAY001	15/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-13.20	Payzone UK Limited
WOL001	20/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-16205.45	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd
CON007	23/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-6.00	Continental Automotive
EVE002	29/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-1003.69	Everything Everywhere
BOS001	29/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-2688.00	Boston Borough Council (Rates)
NAT004	31/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-15.05	Natwest
NAT004	31/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-4.90	Natwest
PIT001	31/12/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-0.57	Pitney Bowes Ltd

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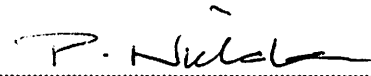
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BOS002	11/11/2021	Payment	29916	Bacs	-641.33	Boston Commercial Cleaners Ltd
CLA001	11/11/2021	Payment	78558	Bacs	-23.00	Frank Clayton & Son Ltd
COP002	11/11/2021	Payment	INV-53735	Bacs	-138.55	Cope Safety Management Ltd.
CRA004	11/11/2021	Payment	18358	Bacs	-346.53	Craftwork Engineering Ltd
DON001	11/11/2021	Payment	DCI0012855	Bacs	-11.40	Donington Engineering Supplies
GRA002	11/11/2021	Payment	S5611	Bacs	-573.79	Grays of Holbeach Ltd
HAL005	11/11/2021	Payment	41409	Bacs	-2965.23	Hallgate (Lincs) Limited
HAR001	11/11/2021	Payment	23553095	Bacs	-8835.12	TC Harrison JCB
HIT001	11/11/2021	Payment	20410212	Bacs	-936.00	Hitachi Construction Machinery
HUB001	11/11/2021	Payment	Board Meeting Hall	Bacs	-110.00	Hubberts Bridge CC
INL001	11/11/2021	Payment	2021-P07	Bacs	-27451.70	HM Revenue & Customs
IRE001	11/11/2021	Payment	222990	Bacs	-98.88	Irelands Farm Machinery Ltd
LIN002	11/11/2021	Payment	2021-P07	Bacs	-24202.08	Lincolnshire C C Pension Fund
MOT001	11/11/2021	Payment	BTT187778	Bacs	-142.52	Motor Parts Direct Limited
NOT001	11/11/2021	Payment	679132	Bacs	-193.98	P G & C Nottingham
SYS001	11/11/2021	Payment	147517	Bacs	-90.00	Systematic Print Management
TAY002	11/11/2021	Payment	53005635	Bacs	-187.18	Taylor's of Boston
TFM001	11/11/2021	Payment	266602	Bacs	-406.73	TFM Supplies
TRA006	11/11/2021	Payment	1209945169	Bacs	-119.99	Trade UK
TUR001	11/11/2021	Payment	7-07403194	Bacs	-187.20	Turnbull & Co Ltd
WEL004	11/11/2021	Payment	3136	Bacs	-7410.60	Wells Plant Hire
WOO001	11/11/2021	Payment	981272	Bacs	-165.76	WBM Office Solutions Limited
CRO006	16/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-360.00	The Crown Estate
CRO004	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-50.70	CROP LOSS
CRO004	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-344.40	CROP LOSS
CRO004	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-75.00	CROP LOSS
CRO004	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-222.15	CROP LOSS
CRO004	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Bacs	-116.45	CROP LOSS

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ENV001	23/11/2021	Payment	PAL005407	Bacs	-138276.00	Environment Agency
ANG102	23/11/2021	Payment	9691538	Bacs	-80.85	Anglian Water (Holland Fen PS)
ASH001	23/11/2021	Payment	22179670	Bacs	-28.32	Sunbelt Rentals Ltd
BUS002	23/11/2021	Payment	BO210085	Bacs	-166.08	B A Bush & Sons Ltd
CLA001	23/11/2021	Payment	78793	Bacs	-375.53	Frank Clayton & Son Ltd
FLE001	23/11/2021	Payment	10193	Bacs	-333.54	Fleet Sense Ltd
GLE001	23/11/2021	Payment	43928	Bacs	-150.00	Glen Farrow UK Ltd
HGV001	23/11/2021	Payment	VBCV307047	Bacs	-210.01	Alliance Automotive T/A HGV Tr
INT002	23/11/2021	Payment	5943	Bacs	-5253.54	InterLec
IRE001	23/11/2021	Payment	223066	Bacs	-4043.86	Irelands Farm Machinery Ltd
LIN028	23/11/2021	Payment	INV-10077	Bacs	-72.00	Lincolnshire Waste Oil
NOT001	23/11/2021	Payment	679805	Bacs	-218.52	P G & C Nottingham
TEM002	23/11/2021	Payment	16	Bacs	-1222.65	TempRight Ltd
TRA006	23/11/2021	Payment	1213249090	Bacs	-45.27	Trade UK
WEL004	23/11/2021	Payment	3141	Bacs	-1593.90	Wells Plant Hire
WIT001	23/11/2021	Payment	INV04539	Bacs	-1298.88	Witham Fourth IDB
BAR005	10/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-12.88	Barclaycard Merchant Services
BAR005	10/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-12.88	Barclaycard Merchant Services
TOM002	12/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-193.32	TomTom
PAY001	17/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-13.20	Payzone UK Limited
WOL001	22/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-16869.34	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd
BRI001	22/11/2021	Payment	P08	Direct Deb	-1490.94	British Telecom
EVE002	29/11/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-777.64	Everything Everywhere
BOS001	29/11/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-2688.00	Boston Borough Council (Rates)
NAT004	30/11/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-13.30	Natwest
NAT004	30/11/2021	Payment	P09	Direct Deb	-5.95	Natwest

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Finance Manager

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Woldmarsh Invoice November 2021

Supplier	Net	VAT	Gross	Codes	From	To	Actual/ Estimate
Npower Ltd	-49.32	-2.47	-51.79	2003 2031	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-29.76	-1.49	-31.25	2003 2002	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-75.27	-3.76	-79.03	2003 2027	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-110.30	-5.52	-115.82	2003 2014	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-33.61	-1.68	-35.29	2003 2034	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-151.81	-30.36	-182.17	2003 2008	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-64.92	-3.25	-68.17	2003 2024	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	-23.70	-1.18	-24.88	2003 2034	01/07/2021	31/07/2021	Actual
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Npower Ltd	51.47	2.57	54.04	2003 2001	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
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Npower Ltd	74.00	3.70	77.70	2003 2019	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
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Npower Ltd	28.31	1.42	29.73	2003 2029	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	18.36	0.78	19.14	2003 2034	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	32.39	1.44	33.83	2003 2031	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
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Npower Ltd	251.11	11.79	262.90	2003 2010	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	202.15	9.55	211.70	2003 2009	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	444.92	88.98	533.90	2003 2011	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	373.17	74.64	447.81	2003 2030	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	476.13	95.22	571.35	2003 2028	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	390.81	18.13	408.94	2003 2004	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	170.78	8.03	178.81	2003 2013	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	61.40	2.54	63.94	2003 2014	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	91.45	4.03	95.48	2003 2008	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	50.94	2.24	53.18	2003 2027	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	24.63	1.10	25.73	2003 2033	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	22.16	0.87	23.03	2003 2024	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	89.48	4.02	93.50	2003 2015	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	26.39	1.17	27.56	2003 2026	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	64.92	3.25	68.17	2003 2024	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	51.00	2.55	53.55	2003 2033	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	50.99	2.55	53.54	2003 2026	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	208.63	42.47	251.10	2003 2015	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	263.51	12.18	275.69	2003 2005	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Rix Petroleum Ltd	5396.91	1079.38	6476.29	C001			
UK Fuels Ltd	48.86	9.77	58.63	5006 9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	72.05	14.41	86.46	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	156.23	31.24	187.47	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	121.33	24.27	145.60	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	68.03	13.60	81.63	5006 9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	60.75	12.15	72.90	5006 9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	62.01	12.40	74.41	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	69.37	13.87	83.24	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	143.27	28.66	171.93	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	126.74	25.35	152.09	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	85.77	17.15	102.92	5006 9095			
UK Fuels Ltd	76.58	15.32	91.90	5006 9118			
UK Fuels Ltd	77.83	15.57	93.40	5006 9117			
UK Fuels Ltd	57.22	11.44	68.66	5006 9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	54.80	10.96	65.76	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	164.65	32.93	197.58	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	65.84	13.17	79.01	5006 9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	73.66	14.73	88.39	5006 9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	71.86	14.37	86.23	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	62.29	12.46	74.75	5006 9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	201.37	40.28	241.65	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	110.46	22.09	132.55	5006 9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	79.36	15.87	95.23	5006 9095			
UK Fuels Ltd	73.11	14.62	87.73	5006 9118			
Yu Energy Retail Ltd	33.77	1.69	35.46	2004 5001	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	

£ 13,779.40 £ 2,426.05 £ 16,205.45

Supplier	Net	VAT	Gross
Npower Ltd	6165.28	908.30	7073.58
UK Fuels Ltd	2183.44	436.68	2620.12
Rix Petroleum Ltd	5396.91	1079.38	6476.29
Yu Energy Retail Ltd	33.77	1.69	35.46

Woldmarsh Invoice December 2021

Supplier	Net	VAT	Gross	Codes	From	To	Actual/ Estimate	
Certas Energy	4131.00	826.20	4957.20	C001				
Npower Ltd	-509.61	-101.92	-611.53	2003	2021/2022	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	-132.32	-6.61	-138.93	2003	2016	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	-286.50	-14.32	-300.82	2003	2012	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	19.41	0.97	20.38	2003	2002	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	35.02	1.75	36.77	2003	2031	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	18.36	0.92	19.28	2003	2034	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	23.37	1.17	24.54	2003	2002	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	40.24	2.01	42.25	2003	2031	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	19.77	0.99	20.76	2003	2034	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	92.02	4.60	96.62	2003	2025	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	57.99	2.90	60.89	2003	2031	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	27.93	1.40	29.33	2003	2029	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	29.20	1.46	30.66	2003	2001	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	492.07	98.41	590.48	2003	5001	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Estimate
Npower Ltd	181.89	9.09	190.98	2003	2016	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	55.44	2.77	58.21	2003	2027	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	32.47	1.62	34.09	2003	2008	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	44.90	2.24	47.14	2003	2014	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	41.92	2.10	44.02	2003	2024	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	72.67	3.63	76.30	2003	2027	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	39.44	1.97	41.41	2003	2008	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	100.00	5.00	105.00	2003	2014	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	30.25	1.51	31.76	2003	2002	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	104.80	5.24	110.04	2003	2014	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	76.38	3.82	80.20	2003	2008	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	56.66	2.83	59.49	2003	2024	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	35.43	1.77	37.20	2003	2033	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	32.77	1.64	34.41	2003	2023	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	35.85	1.79	37.64	2003	2026	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	30.70	1.54	32.24	2003	2034	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	107.40	5.37	112.77	2003	2015	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	43.07	2.15	45.22	2003	2019	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	84.36	4.22	88.58	2003	2027	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	Actual
Npower Ltd	578.41	115.68	694.09	2003	2030	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	589.19	117.84	707.03	2003	2006	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	175.72	8.79	184.51	2003	2017	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	495.57	99.11	594.68	2003	2030	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	306.64	61.60	368.24	2003	2006	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	586.81	117.36	704.17	2003	2028	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	639.09	127.82	766.91	2003	2030	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	263.42	12.53	275.95	2003	2012	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	122.78	5.84	128.62	2003	2016	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	154.63	7.43	162.06	2003	2020	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	110.38	5.29	115.67	2003	2017	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	648.40	129.68	778.08	2003	2006	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	977.94	195.59	1173.53	2003	2028	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	108.75	5.14	113.89	2003	2003	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	244.84	12.24	257.08	2003	2020	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	546.40	109.28	655.68	2003	2012	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	671.96	134.39	806.35	2003	2028	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	197.06	9.85	206.91	2003	2003	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	517.60	103.52	621.12	2003	2012	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	278.84	13.94	292.78	2003	2020	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	207.94	10.40	218.34	2003	2016	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	174.53	8.73	183.26	2003	2017	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	201.43	10.07	211.50	2003	2003	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	202.34	9.52	211.86	2003	2007	01/09/2021	30/09/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	333.02	16.65	349.67	2003	2007	01/10/2021	31/10/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	309.99	15.50	325.49	2003	2007	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	500.01	100.00	600.01	2003	2021/2022	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	283.46	14.17	297.63	2003	2012	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
Npower Ltd	131.37	6.57	137.94	2003	2016	01/08/2021	31/08/2021	H/H
UK Fuels Ltd	63.60	12.72	76.32	5006	9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	72.98	14.60	87.58	5006	9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	63.22	12.64	75.86	5006	9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	202.31	40.46	242.77	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	134.74	26.95	161.69	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	75.94	15.19	91.13	5006	9117			
UK Fuels Ltd	62.67	12.53	75.20	5006	9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	57.12	11.42	68.54	5006	9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	180.68	36.14	216.82	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	107.91	21.58	129.49	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	67.16	13.43	80.59	5006	9095			
UK Fuels Ltd	71.05	14.21	85.26	5006	9118			
UK Fuels Ltd	53.55	10.71	64.26	5006	9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	56.47	11.29	67.76	5006	9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	126.38	25.28	151.66	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	152.01	30.39	182.40	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	72.93	14.59	87.52	5006	9095			
UK Fuels Ltd	60.78	12.16	72.94	5006	9118			
UK Fuels Ltd	63.16	12.63	75.79	5006	9117			
UK Fuels Ltd	60.36	12.07	72.43	5006	9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	74.01	14.80	88.81	5006	9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	60.18	12.04	72.22	5006	9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	170.33	34.05	204.38	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	50.25	10.05	60.30	5006	9095			
UK Fuels Ltd	61.15	12.23	73.38	5006	9118			
UK Fuels Ltd	52.43	10.49	62.92	5006	9114			
UK Fuels Ltd	65.19	13.04	78.23	5006	9115			
UK Fuels Ltd	59.44	11.89	71.33	5006	9113			
UK Fuels Ltd	149.78	29.96	179.74	5006	9120			
UK Fuels Ltd	86.39	17.28	103.67	5006	9095			
Yu Energy Retail Ltd	55.45	2.77	58.22	2004	5001	01/11/2021	30/11/2021	
Yu Energy Retail Ltd	69.93	3.50	73.43	2004	5001	01/12/2021	31/12/2021	

£ 18,582.42 £ 2,997.85 £ 21,580.27

Supplier	Net	VAT	Gross
Certas Energy	4131.00	826.20	4957.20
Npower Ltd	11691.87	1638.56	13330.43
UK Fuels Ltd	2634.17	526.82	3160.99

BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

BOARD MEETING - 8TH FEBRUARY 2022

AGENDA ITEM 10(c)

**SCHEDULE OF CONSENTS ISSUED & CONSENT APPLICATIONS /
CONTRAVENTIONS**

1. **List of Consents**

(a) **Byelaw Consents**

The following byelaw consents have been issued by the Board since 23rd November 2021:

2021/B12	Mr N Garner Crest House Coles Lane Swineshead BOSTON Lincs, PE20 3NS	Relocation of 2no Sheds Grid Refs: 523390, 340600 BSIDB W.C 4/45
2022-B01	Heather & Mark Dawes The Steading Dunsby Drove Dunsby Fen Dunsby BOURNE Lincs, PE10 0UH	Planting of a hedge & trees within 9 metres of BSIDB W.C Grid Ref: 514555, 326910 BSIDB W.C 25/1 (Dunsby Pump Drain)

(b) **Culvert Consents**

The following culvert consents have been issued by the Board since 23rd November 2021:

2021/C20	Ashwood Homes 1 Goodison Road Lincs Gateway Business Park SPALDING Lincs PE12 6FY	Piping of an ordinary watercourse Grid Refs: 530288, 338131 Ordinary watercourse
2021/C21	Keepmoat Homes Unit D1 Orchard Place Nottingham Business Park Nottingham NG8 6PX	Installation of an adoptable vehicular access Grid Refs: 505979, 344246 BSIDB watercourse 36/7

2021/C22	Keepmoat Homes Unit D1 Orchard Place Nottingham Business Park Nottingham NG8 6PX	Installation of timber footbridge Grid Refs: 506016, 344317 BSIDB watercourse 36/7
2021/C23	Keepmoat Homes Unit D1 Orchard Place Nottingham Business Park Nottingham NG8 6PX	Installation of a private vehicular access Grid Refs 505951, 344190 BSIDB watercourse 36/7
2021/C24	Christian Lomas Westmead West Fen Drainside Frithville BOSTON Lincs PE22 7EU	Culverting ordinary non – board maintained W.C Grid Refs: 523072, 349110 Ordinary non-board maintained watercourse

(c) **Development Agreements**

The following development agreements have been issued by the Board since 23rd November 2021:

2021/D15	Claire Hall Sycamore Farm Sykemouth Drove Kirton Holme Boston Lincs, PE20 1TS	Disposal of treated effluent Grid Refs: 525493, 342998 BSIDB W.C 4/6 (Sykemouth Drove Drain)
2022-D01	Heather & Mark Dawes The Steading Dunsby Drove Dunsby Fen Dunsby BOURNE Lincs, PE10 0UH	Discharge of treated effluent Grid Ref: 514555, 326900 BSIDB W.C 25/1 (Dunsby Pump Drain)
2022-D02	Mr Steve Epton Wyberton Lodge Wyberton Low Road BOSTON Lincs PE21 7SF	Discharge of surface water Grid Ref: 533135, 341610 Ordinary (Non board-maintained)

(d) **Land Drainage Consents**

The following land drainage consents have been issued by the Board since 23rd November 2021:

2021/L08	J N Booth & Sons Pastures Farm Fenhouses Swineshead BOSTON Lincs PE20 3HF	10 Outfalls Grid Refs: 521360, 339713 521367, 339697 BSIDB W.C 4/55
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(e) **Extended Area Consents**

The following extended area consents have been issued by the Board since 23rd November 2021:

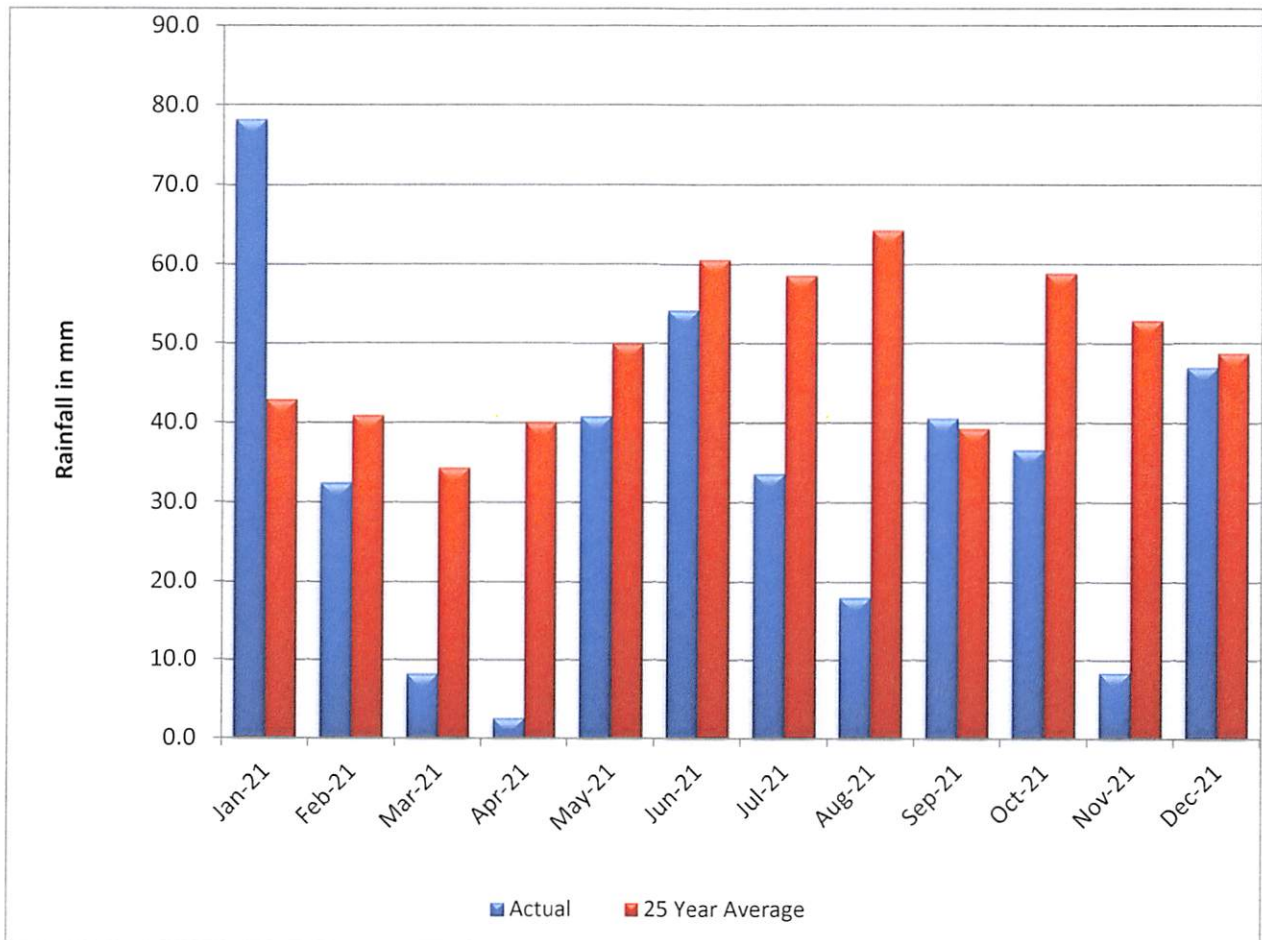
2021/X03	Allison Homes Larkfleet House Falcon Way BOURNE Lincs PE10 0FF	Installation of piped culvert & an outfall headwall Grid Refs: 500400, 324565 Ordinary W.C
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2. **Consent Applications / Contraventions**

There have been no consent applications/contraventions reported to the Board since 23rd November 2021.

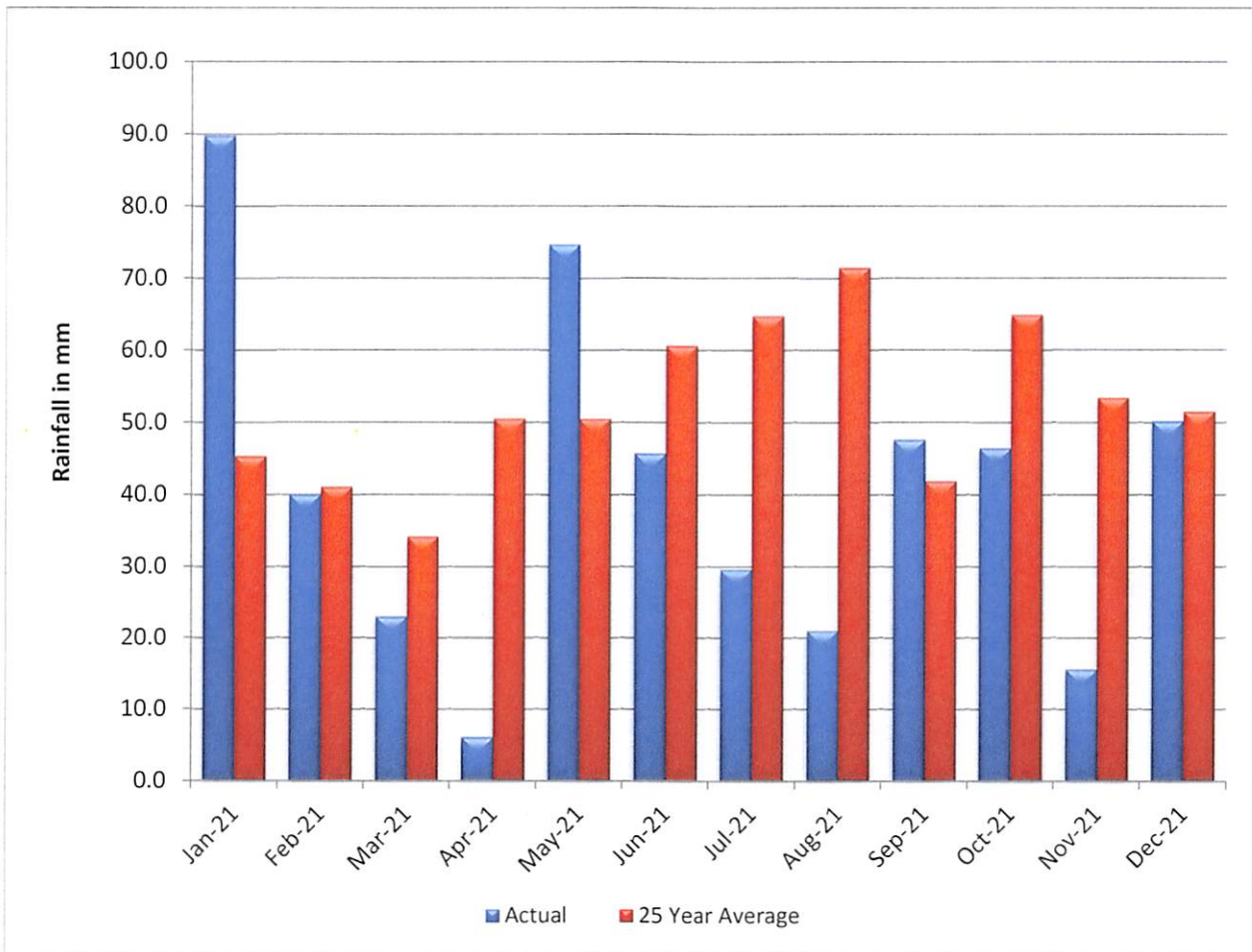
BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Rainfall at Black Hole Drove Pumping Station

MONTH	Rainfall		Actual / Average
	Actual	25 Year Average	
	mm	mm	%
Jan-21	78.2	42.9	182.28%
Feb-21	32.4	40.9	79.22%
Mar-21	8.2	34.3	23.91%
Apr-21	2.6	40.0	6.50%
May-21	40.8	49.9	81.76%
Jun-21	54.2	60.6	89.44%
Jul-21	33.6	58.6	57.34%
Aug-21	18.0	64.3	27.99%
Sep-21	40.6	39.3	103.31%
Oct-21	36.6	58.9	62.14%
Nov-21	8.4	52.9	15.88%
Dec-21	47.0	48.8	96.31%
Totals	400.6	591.4	67.74%



BLACK SLUICE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Rainfall at Swineshead Depot

MONTH	Rainfall		Actual / Average
	Actual	25 Year Average	
	mm	mm	%
Jan-21	89.8	45.3	198.23%
Feb-21	40.0	41.1	97.32%
Mar-21	23.0	34.2	67.25%
Apr-21	6.1	50.5	12.08%
May-21	74.7	50.5	147.92%
Jun-21	45.7	60.6	75.41%
Jul-21	29.6	64.8	45.68%
Aug-21	21.0	71.5	29.37%
Sep-21	47.6	41.9	113.60%
Oct-21	46.4	64.9	71.49%
Nov-21	15.6	53.4	29.21%
Dec-21	50.2	51.5	97.48%
Totals	489.7	630.2	77.71%



Association of Drainage Authorities (ADA) Lincolnshire Branch

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, 2nd December 2021 at the Petwood Hotel, Woodhall Spa, and online.

In attendance:

Ancholme IDB	Mr C. Benson	Clerk
Black Sluice IDB	Mr K.C. Casswell	Chairman
	Mr I. Warsap	Chief Executive
	Mr D. Withnall	Finance Officer
Lindsey Marsh DB	Mr A. McGill	Chief Executive
	Mr N. Kemble	Engineer
Middle Level Commissioners	Mr D. Thomas	Chief Executive and Engineer
North East Lindsey DB	Mr L. Grooby	Vice-Chairman
North Level DB	Mr P. Sharman	Chief Executive
South Holland	Mr K. Vines	Area Manager
Welland and Deepings IDB	Mr T. Purlant	Chairman
	Mrs K. Daft	Chief Executive
Witham and Humber IDBs	Mrs J. Froggatt	Chief Executive
Witham Fourth DDB	Mr P. Richardson	Chairman
	Mr C. Crunkhorne	Vice-Chairman
	Mr T. Ashton	Member
	Mr P. Bateson	Chief Executive
	Mr E. Johnson	Chief Engineer
ADA	R. Caudwell	Chairman
	Mr I. Thomson	Chief Executive
Anglian Water	Mr J. Glerum	
	Mr M. Moore	
Environment Agency	Mr M. Wray	Area FCRM Manager
	Ms K. Halka	Ops. Manager (Sth Humber/East Coast)
	Mr H. Hammond	

Guests: Mr A. McLachlan (Yorkshire and Humber Boards), Mr R. Price and Ms M. Barnes (Water Resources East).

1. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending, stating that it was nice to be able to meet face to face, he reminded those present of the Covid measures in place during the meeting. He welcomed those attending remotely via MS Teams.

2. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr I. Moodie and Ms S. Lloyd (ADA), Messrs N. Robinson, A. Clack, G. Oakes and L. Edlin (EA), Messrs D. Hickman and M. Harrison (LCC), Messrs G. Crust and T. Aldridge (LMDB), Messrs W. Gee, M. Sly and J. Stubley (NLIDB) Messrs D. Worth and P. Camamile (Welland and Nene Branch), Mr D. Branton (WDIDB) and Mr M. Shilling (W&HIDBs).

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th February 2021 were confirmed as a correct record, proposed by Mr P. Bateson and seconded by Mr D. Withnall.

The minutes of the A.G.M. on 20th May 2021 were noted - these would be confirmed at next the next AGM.

Minutes of a Meeting of the ADA Trent Branch held on 2nd December 2021

4. Matters Arising

Any matters arising would be covered in agenda items below.

5. Lead Local Flood Authority Update

David Hickman was unable to attend but submitted the following update from Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) which was read out by the Secretary.

- Greater Lincolnshire Groundwater Project Through the partnership, LCC was leading the development of an outline business case as part of the national Flood and Coastal Resilience and Innovation Programme. In brief, they were focusing on groundwater, which proved a significant issue during the 2019 flood season and affected a number of localities across the county. The programme, which included pilot work in development at Scopwick, would explore means of managing groundwater flood risk from the perspective of increasing community resilience. It would especially look at how environmental betterment could be joined up with flood management and would include elements of natural flood management. The project was being developed as a Greater Lincolnshire initiative, and would, therefore, include work with colleagues in North East Lincolnshire, where similar problems with groundwater flooding were experienced in the Grimsby area. LCC expected to submit the Outline Business Case to DEFRA in April next year and the project would run for a six-year period, wholly funded by government to the amount of £7.5m. LCC had strong support from all partners in the development of the project and looked forward to continuing this throughout the delivery of what they believed would be a national exemplar project offering learning to other parts of the UK.
- Riparian Project Through the Lincolnshire partnership, LCC was looking at improving the potential risk from riparian watercourses. Having established a partnership working group, LCC had developed a shortlist of potential options for implementation across Lincolnshire. The established Agreement between LCC and IDBs to manage these responsibilities played an important part in being able to consider this subject in such depth and continued to be an essential aspect of the partnership approach. Members of ADA were aware of the potential within the Environment Act for IDBs to operate in this sphere, and LCC looked forward to developing their engagement with ADA as the ramifications of the Act worked themselves through.
- Coastal Strategy LCC, the EA and the University of Lincoln had signed a Partnership Agreement to develop a comprehensive climate change risk assessment relating to the east coast of Lincolnshire, and were hopeful that East Lindsey District Council would also join the project. This would enable a renewed strategic assessment of the future potential for managing the coast, taking forward partners' aspirations for long-term growth and prosperity in the area while also building in a realistic assessment of the type of coastal management that was necessary to anticipate future sea level rise and other long-term impacts. The focus of this work was to support the long-term resilience of coastal communities and the economy, and to establish the nature and extent of adaptation that may be required to meet future challenges. They anticipated engaging with Lindsey Marsh DB as a key advisor and partner from the start of the project and hoped to meet with Mr A. McGill and colleagues very soon to do just that.

Mr A. McGill had suggested four IDBs that may like to be part of this project. Mr M. Wray reported that the project was just getting underway but emphasised that it was important to get it right from the start.

Minutes of a Meeting of the ADA Trent Branch held on 2nd December 2021

6. ADA National Update

6:1 Executive Board

Mr K. Casswell gave an update, stating that ADA finances were on good form with expenditure less than normal due to a reduction in face-to-face meetings during Covid. The red diesel issue had been discussed and it was noted that a letter had been sent from East Lindsey, South Holland and Boston Borough Councils to the Chancellor expressing their concerns in support of IDBs.

Regarding the red diesel issue, Mr I. Thomson stated that ADA had made strong representation to HM Treasury enlisting the support from DEFRA, requesting them to reconsider their stance. He stated that the devil was in the detail which would come out from the Customs and Excise Note and IDBs were currently in limbo which made budgeting for the coming year challenging. In response to Mr K. Casswell, Mr I. Thomson further reported that ADA estimated it could cost the EA anywhere from £500k to £1m. It was suggested that ADA set up a meeting with representatives from the IDBs to discuss this with DEFRA and the Chairman supported this. Mr I. Thomson confirmed that ADA was trying to set up a meeting with DEFRA to discuss other matters but this was a slow process; he would include red diesel in these discussions. Mr E. Johnson stated that there were some additional areas that needed clarifying such as how stocks could be run down and tanks changed over from red to white diesel (would tanks be inspected and dipped and if traces of red diesel found, would boards be prosecuted?), also road tax, as those vehicles on red diesel were in the agricultural tax band; there would be financial implications for all of this.

Mrs K. Daft agreed, stating that there were several large diesel tanks at Pode Hole. She asked whether they would be able to use the 80k litres of fuel already in stock and stated that there would be traces of red diesel in the tank for some time unless new tanks were installed. She highlighted that the use of the pumps was dependent on the amount rain so it could be some time before existing stocks were used. Mrs J. Froggatt had also highlighted similar issues to ADA.

ADA was asked to consider obtaining Queens Counsel's (QC) opinion to clarify legal applicability and equity on how the removal of red diesel was being applied. Although there was support for the intent around the green agenda, there was concern about the inequity around the derogations given. Mr I. Thomson supported the point of view that IDBs may be able to mount a challenge as a group. He had not yet seen the updated version of HMRC Note 75 but had received a You Gov Update on 29th November which stated that legislation allowed Treasury to disapply the reforms if certain conditions were met. He stated that any residual traces must be from legitimate fuelling before the change in law. Mr Thomson said that, ideally, he did not want to mount a challenge, but agreed that this may be unavoidable if the discussions with DEFRA were unsuccessful.

Mr T. Ashton stated that some of the IDB watercourses were owned by farmers entirely and parts of the IDB network only served agricultural land. He agreed that QC's opinion would be useful. Mr R. Caudwell stated that most of the Lincolnshire IDBs were in largely agricultural areas and if they could demonstrate this, the red diesel exemption may well apply but IDBs also served some urban areas. Mr K. Casswell supported challenging the decision and contributing towards the cost of seeking QC's opinion. Mr P. Bateson suggested that ADA National could support this as cost savings had been made this year, but also supported making a Board contribution. He emphasised that local councils were generally very supportive of the work of IDBs but paid 25% of the special levies in the country and this would have a considerable impact on them. Mr T. Purlant expressed concern that this issue should have been addressed earlier and stated that QC's opinion should be sought as soon as possible, this may help to focus DEFRA too. Mrs K. Daft stated that IDBs had been deemed an agricultural support service somewhere in the past.

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There was unanimous support to seek QC's opinion on the red diesel exemption and Mr I. Thomson confirmed that ADA would take this forward.

Mr L. Grooby queried whether it be worth a delegation to DEFRA first.

Mr L. Grooby stated that a lot of plant companies were developing hybrid and electric machines and suggested IDBs should consider this for the future. Mr I. Thomson agreed and hoped there would be some of these at the Demo in 2023. Apparently JCB were trialling a hydrogen machine.

The Chairman stated that financial support would be required for QC's opinion and some Branch funds were available. Mr Thomson confirmed that ADA may also be able to contribute and he would seek an estimate of costs, review at ADA Board level and talk to other Branch chairs as this was a National issue that affected all IDBs across the country. The Chairman emphasised that this needed to progress as soon as possible.

6:2 Technical and Environmental Committee

Mr I. Thomson updated as follows:

- Biodiversity Metrics All IDBs asked to complete template by 31st December 2021 as it was important to get as much information as possible.
- Health and Safety Survey The second survey was due to come out in the very near future to assess what progress had been made.
- Environmental Good Governance Guide In the final stages of editing and due to be published early in the new year.
- Climate Change, Adaptation and Managing Channel Sediment Work underway.
- Keeping Our Rivers Flowing Summit Planned for April 2022 in conjunction with the NFU, EA and CLA.
- Eel Research Work continuing.
- PSCA Review being updated.
- Good Governance Guide To be updated next year.
- Beaver Consultation Response issued.
- Consenting Overlapping work on lowland task force.
- Environmental Land Management (ELMS) Very little focus on water and ADA would be speaking to DEFRA about this.

Mr M. Moore reported that he had visited Finchingfield in Essex, an area that suffered from extensive flooding, where Beavers were part of a local natural flood protection scheme being trialled. Mr Thomson stated that ADA was not against Beavers but the challenge was where they caused increased risk of flooding to landowners or communities. He stressed that protocols must be in place to allow proper management of Beavers and compensation should be made available where there had been significant damage, so that IDBs and landowners did not have to bear the cost. Mr M. Moore agreed that there was a need for this and it was good to see what measures were being put in place.

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6:3 Policy and Finance

Mrs J. Froggatt updated on the workstreams which included developer contribution and education.

The work on the Byelaws had come to fruition and the new byelaws sent out to IDBs. Standardisation of the nine-metre distance with the EA was a positive move. The Climate and Carbon Reduction workstream had been signed off and Environmental Good Governance Guide and biodiversity metrics would be completed after Christmas.

Mr I. Thomson elaborated on the climate adaptation and carbon reduction - one element was the carbon calculator which would be circulated before Christmas, work on the guide to carbon reduction for lowland pumped catchments was being undertaken with the EA and would be produced next year, and adaptation reporting by 2023. Mr K. Casswell reported that concern had been raised at the Executive Board with regard to the aim to be carbon neutral by 2030 and the question had been raised at Conference as to where the money was going to come from for the capital works required to achieve this. Mr Casswell's Board was looking at the potential costs but expecting those to be high.

6:4 Further updates from ADA National

Mr I. Thomson gave the following updates:

- Offices working virtually as normal now, with flexible arrangements for staff allowing them to mix home working with attending the office.
- Work to commence streamlining Branch Constitutions and supporting Branches with their future plans and diversity of membership. Lincolnshire/Welland and Nene a good example to follow.
- Moving forward with plans for live Demo event in July 2023, in partnership with Dyson Farms, near Boston.
- Agreement in principle to extend admin support contract to Association of SuDS Authorities.
- Considerable activity with a number of consultations, notably on water abstraction, beavers, river basin management plans and spending review plans.
- Environment Act now in operation along with the Office for Environmental Protection, with important clauses relating to the possible expansion of IDB activities where there was local consensus. Work being done in the background on the secondary legislation required to set drainage rates where there were none in existence.
- Autumn budget showed a very modest increase to money allocated for river maintenance (£22m) which, when divided between all areas, would not be a significant change. There were concerns that resource pressures may divert revenue spending from delivery of work on the ground and ADA would continue to challenge how any revenue allocations were most efficiently spent.
- Branch members invited to consider opportunities for bringing forward spending plans to strengthen the capital programme, which was currently showing an underspend.

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7. Governance/Audit Issues

Mr P. Bateson reported that Annual Governance and Accountability Returns (AGAR) had been submitted on time for IDBs in both branches. There were a couple of minor audit qualifications but nothing serious. The body that appointed auditors for IDBs was seeking improvements to the process, including a change from wet signature on the AGAR form, to an electronic version. Some IDBs had volunteered to trial this.

A shortlist for the five-year contract for auditors to take effect from April 2022 was being considered.

8. Report from Committees

The Chairman reported that there had been no Shows in 2021 but it was hoped to attend the Lincolnshire Show in 2022.

Mr D. Withnall confirmed that the Pay and Conditions Committee had met in October and agreed a to recommend a 2.5% pay increase for 2022/23 based on the average weekly earnings. Employers had given notice to reopen the negotiation process to review the formula.

The Environment Committee chaired by Mr P. Skinner was looking for a new Secretary.

9. Update from Water Resources East (WRE)

The Chairman welcomed Mr R. Price and Ms Mhairi Barnes from WRE who gave the attached presentation.

Mr D. Thomas, Chief Executive of the Middle Level Commissioners, was ADA's representative on WRE's Board of Directors and would report back to IDBs in the region through ADA.

Mr Price reported on the overarching regional strategy for Eastern England highlighting that the amount of water being used today would need to double by the 2050s and WRE was working on balancing the needs for the future whilst protecting the environment. Water management needed to be a joint effort and was a strong regional issue. There were currently 180 members including many IDBs - a very diverse group of organisations helping to shape the plan.

WRE was running conference and training sessions for members and local focus catchment workshops were being held to start the conversation at local level and board focus groups to ensure everyone understood the role and importance of the drainage community; IDBs were represented in all groups. The Water Resources Plan for Eastern England would be published in January 2022 <https://wre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/WRE-Emerging-Plan.pdf>

Mr Price referred to the Felixtowe hydro cycle - an exemplar idea to bring additional water for abstraction - led by five local farmers working in partnership with the Environment Agency, the Local Authority and Drainage Board.

Two large WRE reservoir projects were also underway to deliver or enhance irrigation, wetland and habitat, recreation/tourism - this was an exciting opportunity to exploit assets for wider community benefits. Future Fens had been used to showcase what was possible at the Climate Change Conference (COP26). Discussions were underway with DEFRA regarding the Environmental Land Management Scheme (ELMS).

Ms M. Barnes reported on the Water For Tomorrow Project, being led by WRE - a cross-border partnership of five organisations in England and France which would develop and test

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innovative water management tools and decision-making support systems to enable more responsive short-term management of drought events and better long-term planning, as well as investment in water management at a local scale. This was a EU funded project covering three catchments in England (Broadland Rivers, Cam Ely Ouse and East Suffolk) and two in France. A report was due in June 2023. It would take environmental needs into consideration whilst ensuring there was no adverse impact on the community, would ensure tangible benefits for agriculture-transfers, water sharing and tie into what ELMS could fund. Discussions were ongoing with DEFRA about how this could be taken forward and be tied into the 25-year environmental plan; it would also feature in the WRE regional plan.

There would be a six-week consultation period on the Water Resources Plan from 17th January with the Final Plan due to be published in September 2023.

WRE thanked IDBs for their support and asked for ideas on what they could do to help IDBs meet their environmental objectives.

Mr R. Caudwell reported on a presentation given by Ms J. Beedon to the Peat Taskforce about the work in Norfolk. Mr D. Johns was leading a group to find the methodology into how this would equate to paludiculture and peat restoration. It was thought that in excess of ten megalitres a day could be required from peat. There was potential to use a methodology similar to that for Felixstowe.

Mr L. Grooby highlighted the issue of sea level rise and siltation of outfalls making it more difficult to discharge, therefore the answer could be to increase PS capacity as gravity outfalls would no longer work, or to store it on land. He stated that sea level was rising by 3mm per year causing a considerable issue and there was a need to manage fresh water. The second issue was increased rainfall events across the world and Mr Grooby stated that it was only a matter of time before there was a major event in the UK. He suggested that regulated storage was good and there remained a need to look at additional areas for emergency storage in such an event. Mr R. Price stated that this type of emergency storage was being discussed with Essex council.

Mr I. Thomson enquired how WRE was working with the EA Water Resources teams on abstraction and transfer licencing and addressing the potential collision course between the EA and WRE on this topic. Mr R. Price replied that it was illogical to pay to transfer water between partners, and a potential barrier to WRE and their ability to work with partners should they be charged to transfer water.

10. Presentation Andy Maclachlan

The Chairman introduced Mr A. McLachlan, Chief Executive of the Yorkshire and Humber Boards. Mr McLachlan gave a presentation on the importance of channel conveyance and maintenance which had been prepared based on evidence gathered across the eight IDBs he managed covering an area from Danvm to Pickering. He emphasised that many of the issues faced were the same for IDBs across the country. The presentation can be viewed on <https://youtu.be/T8J3QpbV5z8> or <https://www.ada.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Keeping-our-Rivers-Flowing-Andrew-McLachlan.pdf>

In Summary, Mr A. McLachlan indicated that during the 2019 floods and then again in 2020, the River Aire had overtopped causing a vast amount of flooding with 90 properties under water and businesses adversely affected; there remained a need to change the focus in the approach to water level management and maintenance. In the lowland systems, there was a requirement to move water effectively and improve on past performance. The lowland systems were engineered, man-made and improved over time with raised embankments etc. but in almost all cases had been in effect for hundreds of years. Case studies had been undertaken on the River Went and the River Don and these confirmed that effective channel maintenance could be achieved within existing budgets and would effectively reduce flooding. There was a considerable catching up to do to bring the main rivers back to a

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serviceable condition and to their design standards, but it was recognised that lowland systems/catchments benefitted the whole of the hydraulic catchment.

Other means could be effective in delaying the peak flows such as Natural Flood Management but issues such as how to maintain these measures in years to come remained.

Mr R. Caudwell emphasised that over the last 50 years large areas had been developed in flood plains without sufficient flood protection. Natural flood management measures would not solve all these problems and the need to maintain the whole system - lower middle and upper - needed to be put across and accepted by the policy makers. The amount spent on recovery was enormous and would continue to increase if no action was taken. Mr A. McLachlan emphasised that for national flood management (NFM) to be effective, work was also required in the rest of catchment and regular management of systems needed funding, it was essential to ensure they were sustainable through appropriate revenue streams.

Mr L. Grooby stated that the three phases were fine but queried what could be done about maintaining the outfalls as there was a considerable issue in North East Lindsey DB with siltation and tide locks. The Board would like to dredge these but a whole array of organisations did not want this work undertaken. Mr A. McLachlan reported that the Yorkshire and Humber Boards maintained 80 pumping stations, a number of which were on the Humber in SSSI and protection areas and a change in legislation to counter all this red tape would be welcomed. Mr Grooby agreed stating that dredging the outfall was not environmentally harmful.

Mr A. McLachlan reported recovery costs to be in the region of £1.5m per incident in his area whereas sensible maintenance would have saved this expenditure.

Mr I. Thomson stated that the Government had to pay attention to data and evidence, so the more information gathered to support this case the better. He stressed the importance of the flood risk and water level management authorities working together to get the message through to central government. Engagement was needed with politicians to get their support and he felt that people were starting to listen.

Mr M. Wray stated that the recent work undertaken on the River Steeping was a good evidenced example of partnership working and what could be achieved.

There was considerable discussion on this topic.

The Chairman thanked Mr McLachlan for attending.

11. Report from Environment Agency

Morgan Wray gave a presentation focussing on strategic work, emphasising that there was a lot of work going on in the Lincolnshire and Welland and Nene areas:

- Humber Strategy (Humber 2100 Plus) Since the 2013 tidal surge, tidal rivers had been included. Various scenarios had been presented to the partnership e.g. on climate change and they had asked for more local detail, such as what would happen on the ground. Further evidence was being gathered.
- Ancholme Middle Catchment Partnership Modelling with IDB.
- Alton Marshes Partnership with North Lincolnshire Council connected with a drive for green tech base on the Humber, free ports and related industries which would tie in too. Working with North East Lindsey DB who would be taking on the pumping station.

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- Stallingborough £3m investment on the coast.
- South Ferriby Scheme Completed and opened by Mr A. Percy and Mr J. Bevan.
- Barton to New Holland Issue around outfall at Barrow on Haven - potential to renew this but not enough benefits so taking a strategic approach to draw in more benefits and make the case along the whole length. Adaptive approach to be taken e.g. hold the frontage or move back to the railway line and take into account sea level rise for future. Developing engagement strategy and looking to start construction towards the end of this six-year programme.
- Enhancing Lincs Coast Ms D. Campbell leading this beach nourishment scheme.
- Steeping Catchment Action Plan 2020+ Four themes: improving flow through the system, resilient community and infrastructure, strengthening and maintaining defences (52km raised defences on this system), and flood water storage. Evidence based, weed control did have marginal benefits and helped make the case for dredging. Phase 2 was due to start in the new year. It was important that people understood the flood warning system. Just completed a study looking at the potential of natural flood management techniques in the upper catchment of the steeping, liaising with NFU and landowners. A funding bid would be made to the RFCC in the new year. Partnership and evidence had been the key to the success of this scheme.
- Low Witham Flood Resilience Project Winter 2019/20 enabled the EA to bring forward thinking (area between Lincoln and Boston) and update the Strategy that was completed 25 years ago to look at how flood storage and embankments could be improved. River modelling would be undertaken next year and construction was due to commence at the end of this six-year period. Would need to provide evidence and work in partnership.
- Billinghay Skirth System Review Working very much in conjunction with the IDB, also National Farmers' Union - partnership important. Similar action plan to Steeping, looking at quick wins as well as longer-term work. Review finished and now moving into delivery phase.
- Upper Witham System Review (between Lincoln and Grantham) Low risk system but A1 and east coast main line running through here so potential impact on critical infrastructure. Working in partnership with IDB.
- Welland and Nene Patch Several initiatives underway Welland and Nene navigation and drainage structures, Tidal Nene Strategy, Lower Welland Strategic Approach, and South Holland Main Drain.
- Using nature to help climate change resilience.
- Fens Measure Actions Measure 1.5.4. EA working with landowners, water companies, IDBs and partners to develop a long-term plan for managing flood risk in the Fens. Working group looking at 'value' of agricultural land, heat mapping and plans for asset failure and recovery - this would all help to influence government policy.

Regarding NFM, Mr D. Withnall stated that Black Sluice IDB viewed this as making room to discharge their water as well as the highland water. Mr M. Wray stated that used together with storage areas this could possibly help with silt reduction too, indeed good quality silt was produced and in some parts of the world was bagged and sold.

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Mr A. McLachlan reported that there were lots of storage areas in his district but these were not always seen as washlands and there was no formal designation - there was an acceptance that this land would flood occasionally but no formal payment mechanism other than through local agreement. He enquired whether the EA engaged with DEFRA policy makers regarding the ELMS to allow landowners to enter into agreement with the EA to allow land to flood. Mr M. Wray had highlighted this to DEFRA and stated that there were several different types of flood areas - natural, washlands where water was pushed artificially, other areas purchased by EA, and a potential through ELMS. This would be considered when doing the Lower Witham Strategy. It was down to DEFRA to consider what ELMS would cover but this had been highlighted it.

Mr R. Price suggested a real-life case study or pilot under the WRE banner and agreed to discuss this with the EA, and also the Steeping. WRE was keen to promote turning flood risk into a water resource. Mr I. Thomson welcomed WRE picking this up and stated that ADA was pursuing this argument with DEFRA but a pilot scheme would be welcome.

12. Any Other Business

Mr I. Thomson was pleased to see Mr M. Moore and J. Glerum at the meeting as well as the representatives from WRE and Councils, stating that it was a good opportunity for open and frank discussion.

It was noted that ADA planned to split out various events next year with the Conference moving towards a more technically focussed event, still with high profile speakers. The timing of such an event was still to be determined. The AGM would remain as an event in its own right, held on-line roughly around the same time as this year.

Mr I. Thomson reported that an All-Party Parliamentary Group for Sustainable Flood Management (APPG) was being set up with cross-party representation from MPs and Peers to increase contact with politicians. This would be chaired by Mr A. Percy and members were asked to put forward names. The first meeting would be in the new year.

Mr J. Glerum confirmed Anglian Water was keen to collaborate. He reported that there was already a National Flood Forum All Party Parliamentary Group on Flood Presentation and wanted to make sure this was not duplicated. A lot of work had been undertaken with Lord Dannatt in Norfolk and he suggested he may have a to play role in the APPG. Mr Thomson confirmed that there were now APPG Groups for Flood, Water, and Wetlands.

Mr R. Price stated that WRE would also like to be involved and confirmed that there was also a APPG Waterways. Mr Thomson stated that Internal Waterways was taking a keen stance on the River Idle could be another possible part of the brigade that could make appropriate noise at the right time in the right places. WRE confirmed that their voice was growing.

Mr M. Moore reported that AW got a lot of money from OFWAT for partnership schemes where there was mutual benefit and this could be for labour, not just funding. He would like to see more collaboration between the partners. The Department for Education had also put up money where there was a flood risk to schools. He encouraged the Branch to get in touch to discuss any schemes.

13. Future Meeting Dates

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on 23rd February 2022 in the Welland and Nene area.

CHAIRMAN

