

Appendix 1: Previous minutes

North Kent Marshes Internal Drainage Board Meeting Minutes 07 November, All Saints Parish Hall, 17:30-18:30

Attendees:

CLlr Gary Etheridge (Chair), Medway Council. (GE).
Priscilla Haselhurst, Clerk, Medway Council. (PH).
Dan Atkinson, Flood Risk Officer, Medway Council (DA).

CLlr Mike Franklin, Medway Council. (MF).

CLlr Robin Theobald, Gravesend Borough Council. (RT).

Alex Bates. Landowner. (AB).
Ben Wright. Landowner. (BW).
Julian Nash, Landowner (RSPB), (JN)

Agenda

1 Apologies

CLlr Leslie Hills
CLlr Harold Craske
David Long

2 Items of interest declaration

None received

3 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising 08 November 2018

PH has submitted an information request to the Environment Agency whom have forwarded information regarding EA maintained and owned structures across the Boards District.

PH looked in to what opportunities there are for 'demaining' across the Boards District. Demaining is an EA nationally reviewed project and there are no plans yet for demaining within the area, but opportunities for shared working via use of the Public Sector Cooperation Agreement, which will be reviewed between officers once required works across the area are established.



4 Activity Report

Members asked what stage the planning applications are around Cliffe Pools. PH explained that the LLFA/Board are still waiting to be consulted on a discharge of conditions application relating to drainage and will advise Members when this application is being reviewed.

5 Finance update

Members noted the work undertaken to review the landowner data which informs Drainage Rates. PH advised that Drainage Rate demands will be sent in January for 2018/19 rates.

Members noted the projected budget and update on audit of the End of Year accounts 2017/18.

PH explained that a review was being undertaken of projected budgets now following completion of the Drainage Rate, now that there were nearly 3 years of financial data to make estimations from.

PH advised that savings were already been made in maintenance costs via the IDB and that this would need to be considered for any future rates, to be reported in January 2019.

6 Environment Agency update

Members noted the Precept Report including reference to the £25k contribution to the Boards Water Level Management Plan. EA Officers provided an overview of initial consultations with landowners and stakeholders relating to the TE2100 plan options around St Mary's Marshes.

7 Forward look

Two meetings are proposed for 2019:

Monday 28 January 2019, Room 8 Medway Council, Gun Wharf

- Levy and rate setting, review of finances and project budget
- Update on Water Level Management Plan
- Update on Maintenance Activities
- Update on Planning Consultations

Monday 03 June 2019, Room 8 Medway Council (or Gravesham Borough Council)

- Water Level Management Plan update
- Update on Maintenance Activities
- Update on Planning Consultations
- Sign off for End of Year Accounts
- Update on planned maintenance



8 ADA updates

PH advised of the ADA national conference taking place on 14 November. Unfortunately no Members were able to attend.

9 AOB

Signed (Clerk):



Date:

28/01/19

Signed (Chairman):



Date:

28/01/2019.