DEMPSTER INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

Monday 2 November 2015 – SWINEFLEET VILLAGE HALL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present:

Peter Chantry (Chair) (PC)

Cllr John Frost (JF)

Stuart Hall (SH)

Barry Phillipson (BP)

Paul Jacklin (PJ)

Edward Cowling (EC)

Martin Backhouse (MB)

Mark Johnson (MJ)

Mike Ball, Clerk & Engineer (MB)

Russ Towse, Deputy Clerk & Engineer (RST)

1537. Apologies for absence:

None

1538. Declarations of Interest:

None

1539. To sign and approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on 7 July 2015:

A correction was made to minute 1534. JP should be removed and replaced with JF after which the minutes were agreed to be a true record of the meeting. SH proposed that they be accepted and EC seconded.

1540. Matters Arising from the minutes:

None

1541. Clerk & Engineers Report:

RST explained to the Board the contents of the Report..

The new windfarm being constructed within the Board's district has revealed a badger set that is within one of the watercourses that has to be cleaned out in order to construct a new drain crossing.

Select environmental rules are in place must be complied with when badgers are encountered. RST will liaise with the relevant authorities to ensure proper practice is adhered to. He will work with David Flatley who represents the windfarm contractor.

1542. Finance report:

RST pointed out that he had carried out extra work during the current Quarter.

Cheques were presented for payment this was proposed my MJ and seconded by BP.

MB explained the two discreet accounts held by the Board, namely the Enterprise account and the Current account. He suggested that it would be financially prudent to move monies from the Enterprise Account to the Current Account in order to pay the Board's contractors. PJ proposed that this be carried out and seconded by JF.

1543. ERYC Invoicing Payments Q2 2015-2016:

This was noted.

1544. Any correspondence not covered in Engineer's Report:

MJB reported that progress was being made with the Public Sector Cooperation agreement (PSCA) for the Board to formally engage with the council. MJB reassured PC that the rates that were accepted by the Board when the council submitted its Tender will simply be transcribed into PSCA.

MJB said that the council's Health & safety officer Ray Bone will attend the Board's meeting in order to discuss its H&S document.

1545. Any Other Business:

None

1546. Date of next meeting:

MJB explained that the next meeting in January would be the annual budget meeting and subsequently there would be a proportionate amount of time devoted to this subject. For this reason he requested that consideration be given by the Board to the meeting at an earlier time of day, preferably during the afternoon to allow the business to be conducted in good time. PC sought the views of the Board who were amenable to this suggestion and a date was set for 2pm Tuesday 19 January 2016.