

**DEMPSTER INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER – SWINEFLEET VILLAGE HALL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Present :**

*Paul Jacklin (Vice Chair) (PJ)*

*Barry Phillipson (BP)*

*Stuart Hall (SH)*

*Edward Cowling (EC)*

*Cllr John Frost (JF)*

*Martin Backhouse (MB)*

*Mark Johnson (MJ)*

*Chris Bradwell (CB)*

*Mike Ball, Clerk & Engineer to the Board (MJB)*

*Richard Syed Hessel, Deputy Clerk & Engineer to the Board (RSH)*

*Karyn Devoy Administration (KD)*

**1584. Apologies for absence:**

Peter Chantry, David Walton,

**1585. Declarations of Interest:** None

**1586. To sign and approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016:**

Stuart Hall was listed in 'Present' and in error under 'Apologies for absence'. The minutes were agreed to be a true record of the meeting. MJ proposed that they be accepted, BP seconded and they were signed off by PJ.

**1587. Matters Arising from the minutes:**

None

**1588: Clerk & Engineers Report:**

Up to date pump readings are to be obtained from Peter Chantry before the next meeting. Pump station surveys are being complete. The condition of the pumps is required for the Asset Register. MB informed the Board that the slip on Drain 15 had been dealt with in the summer; this is to be checked again in the spring. There is still a slip on Drain 1 this is to continue to be monitored. The slip on Drain 3 has been dealt with and is no longer an issue. The updated Health & Safety Plan was proposed to be accepted by the Board by CB and seconded by MB. RSH asked if there was any interest in attending the next ADA Northern Branch meeting in January The Board decided to wait until the January meeting to provide names of anyone wishing to attend.

**Mytum & Selby:** RSH has once again contacted the Environment Agency over the continuing concerns with pollution from the site. RSH has asked for any drawings the Environment Agency might have on the site but none have been received to date. Planning permission was granted for a waste transfer site but there are concerns it is being used for composting. Board members have found some information pertaining to previous planning information for the site they will pass this on to RSH and MJB. BP mentioned that he also has some information that may be useful he will give this to RSH. Testing the water in the Board's dyke for pollution at the Boards expense was discussed but it was decided that all the information should be looked at before this should be considered. JF suggested contacting Counsellor Pat O'Neil who has been involved with previous issues on this site.

**Goole II Windfarm:** RSH informed the Board that he had been contacted by PJ and EC about concerns they had about work being undertaken at the windfarm. RSH attended the site and discovered work had been undertaken without the Board or Clerk and Engineer to the Board being notified and no consents had been applied for. RSH raised concerns that the changes would affect the level of water entering the Boards drains. The new section of 6 inch pipe that the windfarm had fitted to the private drain on EC's land was taken out and this has now been capped making it into a soakaway. RSH informed the Board that in his opinion the soakaway and the one gully on the land would not be sufficient for the extra water running from the car park and new tarmac surface access route.

RSH attended a meeting with Farrons and RWE N Power Renewable where it was suggested a new soakaway be placed on adjacent land belonging to EC. RSH is to request that Farrons submit new plans including a more accurate water volume calculation and will give them the option to install a new pipe from the manhole across MB's field which will then enter the IDB drain or for soakaways with an option of an outfall should they fail to cope with an extreme weather event. A consent fee will be requested for the new works and also a yearly contribution. The plans will be looked at in the January meeting or an extra meeting will be called before this if required. JF commented that he thought that work on EC's private land would not need The Boards approval. MJB informed the Board it is good practice required for landowners to inform Internal Drainage Boards of any alterations they do on their land as it could have implications in an extreme rainfall situation.

EC mentioned that if a soakaway is to be built on his land this would affect his drainage rates as he would lose an acre of land. This will be looked at at the next meeting when there will be more clarity on the course of action that will be taking place.

RSH informed the Board of plans to do a survey of the Drainage Boards area so drainage rates can be updated as it is believed changes will have taken place since this was last carried out. It was agreed this is to be done after the completion of Goole Fields II wind turbine site.

**1589: Financial Report:** All the outstanding drainage rates have now been paid. The audit for the year has been completed and has raised no concerns. JF proposed cheques be signed CB seconded

**1590: Any other Business:** MJB mentioned that there were a number of appointed members vacancies on the Board JF suggested Mark Green a Goole Town Councillor may be interested. JF to email MJB his contact details. BP raised concerns about the schedule of the flailing and it not being completed in time for crops to be planted. Peter Chantry is to be made aware of the Boards concerns before the next meeting and it was proposed by MB and seconded by JF that a meeting be arranged with James Canty to assess if he is able to fulfil his ongoing contractual duties. It was proposed that next year a map be produced for the drain maintenance contractors prioritising the drains that require flailing earliest so crops can be planted on time. MB informed the Board that Waltons Dyke has been de-sludged. This is a private dyke and this work is done every three to four years. PJ informed the Board he had filled in a private dyke on his land which did not affect any other land owner. MJB agreed this was satisfactory.

**1591: Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2pm