

Minutes of the Multi Agency Stakeholder Flood Defence Meeting held on Thursday 22nd November 2018 in Lydney Town Council Chambers at 11.00 am

PRESENT: Bob Berryman, Lydney Town Council **(BB)**
 Jayne Smailes, Lydney Town Council **(JS)**
 Dawn Morgan, Forest of Dean District Council **(DM)**
 Chris McFarling Forest of Dean District Council **(CM)**
 Brian Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council Highways/Amey **(BW)**
 Peter Siret, Gloucestershire County Council **(PS)**
 Sophie Reid, Forest of Dean District Council **(SR)**
 Andy Bryant Watts Group **(AB)**
 Colin Legg, Lakeside Resident Rep/Lydney Town Council **(CL)**
 Rose Christodoulides, Lakeside Resident Rep/Lydney Town Council **(RC)**

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Whittington Lydney Town Council (Minute Taker)

APOLOGIES: B Pearman, Lydney Town Council
 Laurence King, FoDDC
 Alan Preest, Lydney Town Council
 James Fisher Severn Trent
 Craig Bayliss, Severn Trent
 Jason Walker E/A

ITEM		ACTION
1.	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS Cllr Bob Berryman (BB) chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.	
2.	NOTES OF LAST MEETING (27th September 2018) An amendment to item 4 – Minutes to reflect RC commented that the bund should be reinstated immediately after completion of works and not left for any length of time. The meeting notes were accepted as a true record.	
3.	MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balancing Pond: BW apologised for date change to site visit. Next site visit early January 2019, BW will advise, everyone welcome. • Penstock: BW couldn't access the site but from a front visual inspection the top looked relatively clear. The fence is padlocked and FoDDC hold the key. The next scheduled routine maintenance will clear any debris. • Trash Screen: SR supplied a copy of the maintenance schedule which was previously emailed to everyone. DM stated the schedule is being updated as new areas of responsibility are added. FoDDC would ideally like all water courses to be cleared by Christmas. Penstock is second on list for clearance and the area will be completed by end January 2019 at the latest. • Craig Bayliss sent apologies prior to meeting, but AB confirmed a site meeting had been arranged for 27th November 11.00am, 	<p>BW TO ADVISE OF DATE OF NEXT SITE MEETING</p> <p>JS TO SEND REMINDER EMAIL TO ENSURE THIS HAPPENS</p>

with Severn Trent, but advised ST would be on site most of the day if anyone wished to join the working party, this being to address Dye Testing –Mead Lane as previous minutes state, also the area has been cleared by the brick wall and this has exposed 4 new NRV's in ditch behind. Ownership of these NRV's need to be determined. AB will check with E/A at the site meeting on the 27th November and if necessary, ensure it is added to the Maintenance Schedule.

Update Cookson Terrace – and Dye Testing

- JS stated that AP GCC had confirmed that if costings were given to GCC of works needed GCC would earmark the funds from the 2018/2019 budget.

DM had met with ST but further complications had been found. The Funding requested would be looking at the rear of the properties, trying to protect the basements from flooding from the lake, however it has come to light that the drainpipes at the front of the properties have also directed water into the basements exacerbating flooding issues.

A detailed analysis is required to establish what is happening and as the storm drains are blocked DM suggested a jet wash and CCTV was used to firstly clear the blockage and then give a better idea of the work involved and the associated costings.

- It is not conclusive if all properties drains go into the foul system.
- The properties are Grade Two Listed and Historic England should be approached to see if they would be willing to fund works once the cause has been determined.
- CM stated that it may be difficult to establish who is responsible for each property and GCC would be unable to fund works to private properties. CM suggested the costing were obtained for the Jetting and CCTV so that the residents could be advised of the cost they would need to contribute
- The Dye testing showed outfalls to the lake and DM had spoken with Bendalls with regard to lowering the bank to encourage the water to flow that way. Mr Bendall appeared happy to undertake this work as it would have some positive effect in relation to land in his ownership.
- BW suggested a new drainage system may be the answer to the problem, but work would be required to establish if this was the case.

AB TO PRESS FOR MAINTENACNE SCHEDULE OF OWNER OF THE NRV'S

DM TO WRITE LETTER TO RESIDENTS REGARDING A PUBLIC MEETING ONCE A CLEAR ACTION PLAN HAS BEEN DETERMINED.

DM TO MONITOR

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JS suggested the guttering be redirected, to prevent the basements filling up with water. It was however noted that this would be a separate funding requirement to that of the issue caused by the flood from the lake at rear of the properties. 	
4.	<p>LAKESIDE AVENUE LYDNEY- Report on any outstanding issues.</p> <p>RC asked DM to explain when plans are passed who oversees the drainage strategy during the build? How is it checked and monitored? DM stated that Building Control monitor all such developments, but that some developers have their own independent Building Control Officers. TB confirmed GCC check plans for sizing, but the Landowners and/or Developers are in charge of the infrastructure.</p> <p>CM Suggested that once it had been confirmed who was overseeing the building ground works that a letter of concern could be sent.</p> <p>RC stressed how important it is at this initial stage to ensure plans are correctly adhered to.</p>	<p>DM TO ESTABLISH WHO IS MONITORING THE BUILDING CONTROL FOR THIS BUILDING PHASE AND ADVISE JS</p>
5.	<p>LYDNEY COMMUNITY FLOOD RESILIENCE PLAN (V8 June 2017)/RAIN GUAGE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JS meet with KR FoDDC and JW E/A and confirmed the Rain Gauge is working well. A trial of the email alerts will be set up for a few and then once a public meeting is held the whole system will be rolled out. The LTC community Plan will then be amended to take into account the changes. • Anyone can sign up for the email alert and at some point, members of the public will be advised of this when the system goes “live” 	
6.	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other Business 	
7.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 31ST January 2019 at 11.00 am.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 12.10 pm</p>	