

Minutes of the Multi Agency Stakeholder Flood Defence Meeting held on Thursday 31st January 2019 in Lydney Town Council Chambers at 11.00 am

PRESENT: Brian Pearman, Lydney Town Council **(BP)**
 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)**
 Andy Bryant, Watts Group **(AB)**
 Rose Christodoulides, Lakeside Resident Rep/Lydney Town Council **(RC)**
 Laurence King, FoDDC **(LK)**
 James Fisher, Severn Trent Water **(JF)**
 George Tomlin, E/A **(GT)**

IN ATTENDANCE: Alison Crawshaw, Lydney Town Council (Minute Taker)

APOLOGIES: Jason Walker, E/A **(JW)**

ITEM		ACTION
1.	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS Cllr Brian Pearman (BP) chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.	
2.	NOTES OF LAST MEETING (22nd November 2018) The meeting notes were accepted as a true record.	
3.	MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balancing Pond: BW not followed up since pond cleared out. Next site visit planned for early February 2019. BW will forward the date and everyone welcome to attend. RC advised small amount of soft vegetation at large bund end. DM visited recently and agreed large bund end fine, small bund slightly eroded but integrally fine. DM will raise with Hitchens • Penstock: DM reported vegetation and track access cleared in annual maintenance in Oct/Nov 2018. Capacity if fine, so no further action needed at this time. • Trash Screen: DM reported upstream Lakeside inspected was fine. E/A check and maintain the earth valve. There is silting building up behind earth bund on Mead Lane and the bund is difficult to get to. Consideration needs to be given on how best to maintain and keep water flowing. LK stated long term responsibility needs to be confirmed. GT suggested contractors could be consulted. They could cut the bund now, as this would be the easiest time of year to effect such works. • Non-Return Valve's (NRV's): AB reported NRV's checked to ensure clear and working, and some were found not to be. A main NRV near the railway bridge has some issues with water back-flow. E/A will check NRV's on a monthly basis. 	<p style="color: red;">BW SITE MEETING</p> <p style="color: red;">DM TO RAISE WITH HITCHENS</p> <p style="color: red;">GT TO CONSULT CONTRACTORS</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flow meter testing and monitoring: JF reported the testing is being conducted by Warwickshire and results are expected in Spring. RC asked if the study can be extended as there has been little rainfall this year. JF agreed to ask. AB felt there was not much flow and this effected the silt and NRV's. DM agreed and felt silt traps that were easy to clear would be ideal. Cookson Terrace Dye Testing: LK reported the result from the dye test showed private drainage was linked to the storm drain at back of houses and was then bound to be linked to the Lake. Therefore, if the Lake level raised, Cookson Terrace gardens would flood, which proved a complicated but concentrated problem. LK confirmed that GCC funding was secured (£40K) but this would meet only half the anticipated cost. FoDDC had written to Cookson Terrace resident's asking for their permission to proceed with seeking Listed Building planning consent to fix 9 sets of demountable flood guards. LK felt that further funding would be difficult as one criteria of said funding would be that the flooding was solved. If this proved to be the LK would come back to the meeting. CF stated he was uneasy if tax payer's money was used to deal with a private drainage problem and would expect to see resident's meeting approximately 90% of costs. CF suggested liaising with Historic England (HE) to check heritage angle. DM confirmed No.4 Cookson Terrace provided historic knowledge which helped identified drainage, so they may help with HE. BP will discuss funding options with AP. Mead Lane: AB thank everyone for their involvement in the meeting, which has given everyone a better understanding of the area. E/A will maintain the NRV's going forward. 	<p>JF TO CHECK IF TESTING CAN BE EXTENDED</p> <p>CONTACT HE?</p> <p>BP/AP EXPLORE FURTHER FUNDING OPTIONS</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>LAKESIDE AVENUE LYDNEY- Report on any outstanding issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RC reported everything was calm at moment and DM had resolved Oakdale Phase 2 issues. JS reported Colin Legg had concerns of vehicles parking on the green area of land next to garages, which he thought was above a culvert. LK and BW will check condition of culvert, ownership of the land and if possible, the Highways adopts the land. 	<p>LK & BW ACTIONS</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS – PO132/18/DISCON – Persimmon Homes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LK thanked DM and AB on the time they had spent on this planning applications. Persimmon had taken on board the issues raised by FoDDC in Phase Two of the work. Consequently, the pipe size has been increased to 900. The 'marketing sales' pitch is expected to move in March and the attenuation pond will then be started on that cleared area. DM will monitor work with site manager, whom also knows the culvert work will need to be piped. 	<p>FoDDC/GCC TO MONITOR WORK</p> <p>DM TO MONITOR</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LK stressed the importance of major developments using a 'Water Surface Management Plan' for the construction phase of their work. SUDs are brought in once housing is habitated. BP confirmed Lydeny Town Council will write to GCC in support of developers introducing these plans in their planning phase. CM confirmed he will also support the use of Water Surface Management Plans. CM will also raise the importance of inspecting and control, to ensure issues are dealt with efficiently 	<p>BP TO WRITE TO GCC</p> <p>CM SUPPORT</p> <p>CM RAISE ISSUE</p>
6.	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BP will circulate JW email and will talk to GT regarding LRT AB asked that 'Flood water relief via the Harbour and monitoring' be added as agenda item for next meeting 	<p>BP ACTIONS</p>
7.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 25th April 2019 <p>Meeting closed at 12.14pm</p>	