

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board held at the Green Tree Inn, Tudworth, on Friday, 22nd March 2024, commencing at 10.00 a.m.

Elected

- * Mr M. Brooke
- * Mr P.A.M Cornish
- * Mr I. Dixon
- * Mr R. Durdy
- Mr R. Hopkins
- Mr N.V. Williams
- * Mr R. Wilson

* *Present*

-V- joined via MS Teams

- * Mr A. McGill (Chief Executive) -V-
- * Dr D. Hickman (Executive Officer)
- * Mr R. Brown (Senior Engineer)
- * Mr A. Malin (Senior Operations Manager)
- Mr G. Sutton (Operations Manager)
- * Mrs N. Hind (Finance Manager)
- Mrs C. Davies (Corporate Services Manager)
- * Mr N. Sutton (Environment Agency IDB Liaison Officer)

* *In attendance*

Appointed by the City of Doncaster Council

- * Mr C. Crowe
- Mr J. Hoare
- * Mr P. Horne (Vice-Chairman)
- Mr M. Houlbrook
- * Mr C. McGuinness (Chairman)
- Ms H. Norford
- Mr M. Oldknow
- Mr A. Porter

2024.19 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs J. Hoare, R. Hopkins and N. Williams.

2024.20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2024.21 NOTIFICATION OF ITEMS OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

2024.22 BOARD MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 26th January 2024 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendments: Paragraph 5, page 5 - replace Mr R. Durdy with Mr R. Hopkins; Page 10 Flood Event paragraph number changed to 2024.18.

2024.23 MATTERS ARISING

(a) Minute 2024.7(a), Page 3 - Emergency Event Volunteers

Training would be postponed and held later in the year if there was sufficient interest.

(b) Minute 2024.9, Page 4 - Operations Report

This would be discussed under agenda item 10.

(c) Minute 2024.10(c), Page 6 - First Point Business Park Agreement

Officers had gone back to the Board's solicitors with final amendments to the Agreement. Once these had been made, a copy of the document would be circulated to members together with a plan of the site. Delegated authority had

already been granted to the Chairman (in March 2021) to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board.

(d) Park Drain Slip

The Chairman reported that he had contacted City of Doncaster Council (CDC) about the lack of progress, stating that this matter had been ongoing for some two years and if the Board's officers could not gain access to the site there would be no option but to serve notice. He stated that as the owners of the site, CDC had a responsibility and should liaise with the operators. Mr C. Crowe stated that the Coal Authority was responsible for the cost of maintenance of this watercourse and had spent a significant amount on the watercourse five years ago. He was concerned that if there was an issue with access it would not be possible to adequately maintain the watercourse. The Senior Engineer confirmed that it was possible to get down the access berm to undertake weedcutting, the issue was accessing the site to survey the damage to the banks. He further stated that the open section was very wide to allow for storage and there was minimal risk of flooding at the moment. Currently there was continuity of flow along the channel, however, there could be potential environmental contamination issues if the slip worsened. The Chairman expressed concern that costs would escalate further if the slip was not repaired soon. Mr C. Crowe queried whether the Board should be asking CDC to undertake the survey, he was concerned that the Board/Coal Authority would end up footing the bill. The Senior Engineer stated that he would obtain costs for the survey and report back.

(e) Minute 2022.17(b), Page 10 - Pensions

Costs were still awaited from the East Riding of Yorkshire Pension Fund.

2024.24 CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE

The attached minutes of the meeting held on 13th February 2024 were presented for consideration.

RESOLVED

That the attached minutes of the Consortium Committee meeting held on 13th February 2024 be approved and the recommendations adopted by the Board.

2024.25 CONSERVATION ADVISORY GROUP

The attached notes of a meeting held on 5th March 2024 were presented for information. Referring to the DRAFT Biodiversity Action Plan, Mr M. Brooke highlighted that the presence of Hatfield and Thorne Moors in the Doncaster East area meant that this Board may have a different outlook. Mr P. Cornish agreed, referring to the Humberhead peatlands which covered Thorne, Hatfield, Goole and Crowle Moors. The Biodiversity Action Plan would detail the measures to be undertaken by each individual board.

RESOLVED

That the attached report be noted.

2024.26 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE

The Senior Operations Manager presented a report on three incidents and three near misses that had been reported across the Consortium since the last meeting; none in the Doncaster East area.

There were no legislative changes that would affect the Board's operations.

Four safe systems of work had been revised and circulated.

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2024.27 OPERATIONS REPORT

The attached report was presented for information together with slides showing progress of the work.

Mr M. Brooke highlighted concerns regarding maintenance of the watercourse near the Reindeer Pub in Sandtoft, a 40m slip east of Crowtree Bank M180 flyover and removal of silt from Gatewood Drain 2; these would be discussed with the Senior Operations Manager after the meeting.

The Senior Operations Manager highlighted that there were around 2% of watercourses where access was restricted and Officers were seeking ways to improve this. He stated that there had been 8-10 reports of blockages and fallen trees etc. following the recent storms.

Mr M. Brooke stated that it was getting to the time where levels were usually changed from winter to summer but emphasised that there was still a lot of water in the system and land still under water, in particular the Dirtiness and Low Levels catchments needed to get the water away. This would be taken into account before the levels were altered this year and the Chairman suggested that a review of levels should be undertaken taking into account climate change; he understood that the EA was undertaking an internal review of levels.

Mr M. Brooke queried the cost of some of the jobs on the 2024/25 winter works programme, stating that they seemed excessive. In response, the Senior Operations Manager confirmed that further scoping of the work would be undertaken and jobs prioritised before any orders were placed. He stated that the contractor would not charge for the work if it was not required or if they did less than was originally quoted for. The contractors worked under an NEC4 short-term contract for maintenance with winter works added and done on call-off rates.

Mr M. Brooke reported that he had met with the Environment Agency regarding Sandtoft Suction Drain. He stated that water from 1,000 acres drained into the EA Low Bank and he was concerned that the Board had only been allowed to clear a section from the centre of the channel and this needed doing again; the EA had agreed. The Senior Operations Manager referred to the trial in the Lincolnshire area whereby the boards were pushing to undertake maintenance on the main rivers to their standards. Officers were meeting with the Trent EA later this month and were hopeful that a similar arrangement could be adopted.

Mr Brooke had also highlighted to the EA where planting and development was restricting access at Hatfield Woodhouse.

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2024.10 MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS

Following concerns raised at the last Board meeting regarding the lack of maintenance on the riparian M180 motorways drains, the Board's Senior Operations Manager confirmed that he had contacted National Highways instructing them to undertake the necessary maintenance work. Maintenance of the Board maintained M180 motorway drains had been completed.

In 2021 a list of existing Strategic Ordinary Watercourses (SOWs) had been presented to the Board for consideration and eight additional watercourses were added at the request of members; these watercourses would now be included on the list and attached as an Appendix to the Board's Maintenance Policy. The Senior Engineer reported that all SOWs were reviewed regularly and, if necessary, work could be undertaken early subject to the relevant environmental surveys; second cuts may also be required. The Maintenance Policy would also refer to the Board's environmental policies.

At the last Board meeting, several queries were raised about the amount of vegetation removed from the channel by the Board's contractors. The Senior Operations Manager confirmed that Officers met regularly with the contractors to ensure that they were complying with the Board's policy and the terms of the contract but if members were concerned about a particular watercourse, he asked them to contact him directly via email, rather than waiting until a Board meeting to raise an issue.

There followed a discussion on the Board's policy regarding access to land to undertake work and the Chairman reminded landowners that they may need to declare an interest.

The Chairman stated that the Board had powers (under the Land Drainage Act) to enter upon land to undertake annual maintenance or emergency work. The Board's contractors liaised directly with landowners regarding access, working around standing crops wherever possible and this arrangement had served the Board well in the past. Landowners were given notice that entry onto their land would be required and were encouraged to leave an access strip alongside Board maintained watercourses or they could risk some damage to their crops by the Board's machinery. The Board did not have to compensate for any damage caused by annual maintenance and such an exercise would be costly and would not constitute good use of public money.

Mr M. Brooke asked for reassurance that if work needed to be done, the Board would go through land regardless of whether crops had been cleared.

RESOLVED

That the Board continue with its current policy of liaising with landowners and working around crops where possible, however, if the flow of water in the channel was restricted by weedgrowth and postponing maintenance until crops are harvested would be at the detriment to others, the Board's contractors be instructed to enter onto land to undertake the maintenance after informing the landowner.

2024.11 ASSET RENEWAL AND REFURBISHMENT PROJECTS

Officers presented the following update for information.

(a) Pump Repairs

Due to increased pumping during the recent storm events, pump failures had occurred at the stations listed below. Refurbishment of these stations had been considered by the Board previously, however, as the cost of refurbishment was very similar to the cost of replacement, a decision was made to operate the pumps until they failed.

Pump 1 - Sandall Grange Pumping Station

Pump 1 – Cadmans Pumping Station

Pump 1 – Franklins Pumping Station

Pump 2 – Torne Bridge Pumping Station

Pump 1 - South Thorne Bank Pumping Station

The cost of the replacement pump at Sandall Grange Pumping Station would be recharged to the Coal Authority, the cost of the other four replacement pumps would have to be met by the Board.

Quotations were being sought and would be brought back to the Board for consideration.

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(b) Newington Pumping Station Refurbishment

A full refurbishment of Newington Pumping Station was planned when funding became available, however, the existing pumps were deteriorating with seal leak faults now apparent on both. New fish friendly pumps were required as part of the refurbishment and Officers were therefore seeking quotations for these to be installed within the existing control panel as an interim measure.

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(c) Pumping Station Emergency Repairs

Following a breakdown of Pump Number 1 at Park Drain Pumping Station, North Lincs Engineering had been instructed to attend site to lift and remove the pump. Officers suspected that the impellor had detached from the bottom of the pump. A full report and costs would be reported to a future meeting.

Emergency repair costs to date totalled £20,763.33 against an approved budget of £62,723.66.

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(d) Balby Carr Pumping Station

Pump 2 at the station was recently lifted and transported to North Lincs Engineering's workshop following a failure. Upon inspection it was found that the main shaft had sheared in two places, the impellor was worn and damaged, both the upper and lower bushes were worn, grease pipes damaged and the gland packing plate and packing insecure. Some of the bolts had also corroded and some were missing. The repair costs would be £15,914.84 and Officers were awaiting confirmation of when the work would be completed and the pump reinstalled.

The Board would be responsible for 27% of the cost with the remainder picked up by third parties.

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(e) Pumping Stations - Gate Theft

One set of gates had been stolen from High Levels North Pumping Station and two sets from Low Ellers Pumping Station. Officers were obtaining quotations for the replacement of the compound gates at both stations and would consider additional security measures to prevent another occurrence.

The Coal Authority was responsible for 100% of the cost of High Levels North Pumping Station and the Board responsible for 27% of the cost at Low Ellers Pumping Station. An insurance claim would be submitted.

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(f) Capital Works Programme Update

Across the Consortium Boards, nineteen projects had been finished and closed during the 2023/24 financial year.

There were still some snagging issues with the telemetry which Officers were monitoring and would update on at each Board meeting.

Mr R. Durdy referred to the £75M available to IDBs following the flooding which had been announced at the NFU Conference and asked whether the Board could apply for any of this. The Executive Officer reported that the Association of Drainage Authorities had asked IDBs to provide costs of dealing with the recent severe weather and also costs of asset refurbishment and renewal. Officers had provided this information for all the Consortium boards; £211,074 for Doncaster East. He stated that it was not yet known how the £75M would be administered but

understood that this may be done by the EA. The Executive Officer emphasised that Officers would be going after this money aggressively.

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2024.12 FINANCE

The attached report was circulated.

(a) Management Accounts

The Finance Manager presented the accounts for the period from 1st April to 31st January 2024 which showed a positive variance of £75,078.34.

It was expected that there would be a surplus of £59,731.30 at the year-end. This was £123,983.30 higher than expected due to lower electricity costs, loan repayment, consortium and maintenance costs and increased income from surface water fees and would increase balances to 47.49% of net operating costs.

The negative figures shown in 2:5 (Engineering Schemes) were due to be billed out to the Coal Authority.

RESOLVED

That the attached management accounts be approved.

(b) Cash Reserves and Investments

A total of £1,244,614.57 was currently held in two bank accounts with zero interest.

Eight loans totalling £287,391.27 remained outstanding with the Public Works Loan Board.

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(c) Payments Over £500

The Finance Manager referred to the schedule of payments over £500 (Item 5 of the report) which totalled £307,605.50.

RESOLVED

That the attached schedule of payments over £500 be approved.

2024.13 INVESTMENTS

The Finance Manager reported that £250,000 had been deposited with Skipton Building Society on 6th March 2024 for a period of six months at an interest rate of 5.15%; this would attract interest of £6,490.41 for the Board. Officers would review investment options before the term expired in September and reinvest to achieve the best rate.

A Business Instant Access Saver Account was being opened with Nationwide Building Society and offered a 2.25% annual equivalent rate. Funds would be transferred in line with the Board's policy once the account was active.

RESOLVED

That the above investments and Officers actions be approved.

2024.14 DRAINAGE RATES AND SPECIAL LEVIES

Officers presented a report on drainage rates and special levies for the year 2023/24 which showed a collection rate of 99.9% as at 1st March 2024. A total of five summonses had been issued and four liability orders were granted at Doncaster Magistrates' Court; three of these have now been paid in full, leaving £304.92 outstanding.

In respect of drainage rates outstanding for the year 2022/23, five accounts remained outstanding. Two of these were current ratepayers, however, the Board's bailiffs had not yet been able to recover the debt, investigations were ongoing to trace the whereabouts of

two others, and it was proposed to write-off the fifth in the sum of £1.20 as despite all efforts it had not been possible to trace the occupier.

Further write-offs of land which had been moved to special levy (£14.21 Cantley and £1.93 Epworth) were recommended by Officers.

RESOLVED

That the Officers report be noted and write-offs totalling £17.34 be approved.

2024.15 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

A report had been circulated to members on the following:

(a) Mink Control

Project officers and partners of the Waterlife Recovery Trust had caught over 200 mink since the project started in August 2023. Eradication of invasive American mink on a landscape scale was not only feasible, but also quicker and cheaper. Better still, the recovery of water voles, moorhens, reed buntings and countless other former mink prey species was positively rapid.

(b) ADA Environment Day Takeaways

This was attended by the Board's Environmental Officer who had suggested that it would be beneficial for operations managers and foreman to attend future events to give them a better understanding of current environmental issues and legislation. Areas highlighted included:

IDB areas, particularly in the Isle of Axholme, Doncaster East and Humberhead Levels, were heavily linked with proposals of a UNESCO Biosphere, paludiculture, rewetting of land and carbon sequestration. Incentives for farmers and landowners in the region to become involved included high per hectare payments on offer from Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI) and Countryside Stewardship (CS) agreements.

Reassurance that IDB operations would not be impeded by a greater focus from SFI on buffer strips etc. Communication from landowners and farmers would be required with Operations Managers to ensure compliance with schemes and maintenance.

Calls for a renewed focus on Water Level Management Plans for protected sites as these were outdated and may not reflect the current requirements of SSSIs.

Exploring how IDBs could contribute to lowland water quality monitoring; reflection on wildlife law and policies; a focus on the invasive floating pennywort; Local Nature Recovery Strategies and Biodiversity Net Gain updates.

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2024.16 ENVIRONMENT AGENCY MATTERS

The Chairman introduced Mr N. Sutton, the Environment Agency's IDB Liaison Officer who gave a presentation on work within the Doncaster East area. He stated that he had been working to redirect where the precept money was spent to ensure the work benefited the area in which it was raised. It was noted that work planned for this year would be similar to last and include upstream of the River Torne around Rossington Estate. There was also funding available for outfall siltation clearance on main rivers and members were asked members to let Mr Sutton know of any locations where this was required.

In response to Mr M. Brooke, the Senior Engineer reported that as part of the Keadby project, the Environment Agency would be undertaking bathymetric surveys of the Torne which would be useful to see the levels of silt in the section up to Auckley.

The Chairman asked Mr N. Sutton for a list of where the precept money had and would be spent. In response, Mr N. Sutton reported that the money went towards costs such as electricity, river bank maintenance and subsidising flood defence grant in aid schemes but they were working towards making this more transparent to give boards assurance that the money was being spent in their areas. The Chairman stated that the Board needed clarity on what money was being spent and what work was being achieved to demonstrate value for money with the precept. Mr Sutton agreed that clearer guidance was needed on how much money should be spent where and felt that the planned works programme in the Board's area achieved more. The Chairman hoped that working closer together would give the Board a better idea of what was happening in the DE area and looked forward to seeing work start on the ground.

The Chairman was pleased to see the PSCA work progressing and thanked Mr Sutton for attending the meeting.

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2024.17 RELINQUISHMENT OF KITCHINGS DRAIN, HATFIELD

Officers reported that following notification that a hedge had been planted along the bank top of the Board maintained Kitchings Drain at Hatfield, notice had been served on the landowner to remove the hedge which had been planted without the Board's consent. The landowner had subsequently contacted the Board stating that the hedge had been planted under a Countryside Stewardship Scheme and asking the Board to consider relinquishing control of that 380 metre section of the watercourse (from national grid reference 471099 410853 to 471409 410749). The landowner had confirmed that he would take responsibility for the future maintenance.

Officers reported that this watercourse served two landowners, one of which currently farmed all the land served by the watercourse and the relinquishment would, therefore, not be a detriment to any other third party.

It was noted that enforcement notices had previously been served on the landowner, some of which remained outstanding and Officers and members were concerned about the future maintenance of the watercourse should the Board relinquish control.

After consideration it was RESOLVED

That the Board does not relinquish control of the above section of Kitchings Drain.

2024.18 DELEGATED MATTERS - PLANNING, BYELAWS AND SUPERVISORY ROLE

(a) Byelaw Applications

Consent had been granted for temporary damming and pumping works within the Board maintained Kirton Lane Drain to the south of Kirton Lane in the parish of Thorne (national grid reference 468531 412751. Consent Number DEIDB/LDC/2024/006.

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(b) Section 23 Applications

No consents had been granted since the last meeting.

(c) Planning Applications

Officers had submitted comments relating to surface water drainage on five planning applications but no objections had been raised.

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2024.18 RISK REGISTER

The Business Risk Register was presented for consideration. There had been one addition: the risk to the Board's systems due to the lack of main river maintenance.

RESOLVED

That the attached Business Risk Register be approved and noted.

2024.19 QUERIES AND COMPLAINTS

Officers presented a schedule of queries/complaints that had been reported via the office between 1st April 2023 and 5th March 2024; these do not include queries sent directly to Officers. Of the 99 recorded across the Consortium, six related to the Donaster East area and three of these remained outstanding. Members considered this number to be low, bearing in mind the amount of land still under water in the area. Mr M. Brooke stated that he had received some 30/40 complaints from landowners and had liaised directly with the Board's operations staff and the Environment Agency regarding these.

Officers were working to improve response times and increase information available on the website for members of the public.

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2024.20 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr M. Brooke reported that he would be meeting with representatives from Solar Parks and they had told him they were keen to meet with the drainage board. The Chairman stated that they would need to apply for consent through the proper channels and their application would then be considered and advice relating to surface water drainage provided.

In relation to the Bullmoor Lane Drain culvert, the Senior Engineer confirmed that the Board's Planning and Enforcement Team was dealing with this.

Regarding the proposed rationalisation of assets, the Senior Engineer understood that the modelling report was very close to completion and consultation meetings would then follow.

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CHAIRMAN

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 22nd March 2024	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 9
	Subject: OPERATIONS REPORT	

Recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To approve quotations received from the Boards contractor at a cost of £42,670.82. • To receive update from Officers.
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1. 2023/24 Winter Works Programme

1:1 The remainder of programme of work for the 2023/24 season up to 31st March 2024 is detailed below, Officers are still receiving reports of damage to the Boards watercourses following the recent adverse weather. As a result, the planned programme is subject to change based on watercourse condition and priority.

Drain Name	Catchment	Description of Works	Length (m)	Completed to date
Pissy Beds Drain	Wikewell	Remove Fallen Trees	25	100%
Top Boating Dike (Elmhirst)	New Zealand	Culvert Installation	25	75%
Howells Low Bank Drain	Good Cop	Removal of Restriction	20	100%
Westmoor Drain Outfall	Waterton Hall	Slip Repairs	45	
North Idle Drain (SSSI)	Hatfield Waste Drain	Tree and Bushing	550	Delayed*
Low Bank Drain	Good Cop	Slip Repairs	380	
M180 South Soak Drain (West)	Good Cop	Slip Repairs Tree and Bushing	380 475	100%
M180 South Soak Drain	Good Cop	Access Culvert Repair Access Culvert Replacement	9 9	
Gatewood Lane Drain 2	Candy Farm North	Reforming	395	
Bank Drain	Wike Well	Slip Repairs Culvert Removal	120 9	

*North Idle Drain (SSSI) – Access to undertake mitigation work not currently possible due to flooding.

1:2 Additional works identified/undertaken due to the recent adverse weather are detailed below:

Drain Name	Catchment	Description of works	Length (m)	Completed to date
West Moor East Drain	Low Bank	Slip Repair including Toe Boarding	70	
Dutch Dike	Waterton Farm	Slip Repair	20	
Boating Dyke Drain	Dirtness	Fallen Tree Removal	10	100%

1:3 Analysis of the job cards have identified several health and safety concerns that are preventing the contractor completing the entirety of the Boards area. Officers have amended the previously reported 2024/25 winter works programme to include the issues. Works removed from the original programme will be deferred.

Officers recommend that the programme of works is approved to be undertaken by the Boards contractor at a costs of £42,670.82.

Drain Name	Catchment	Description of Works	Length (m)	Cost (£)
White Rose Way Drain	Low Ellers	Levelling of Bank Top	1,150m	£2,967.00
Godcross Drain	Candy Farm South	Levelling of Bank Top	1,087m	£2,804.46
Snow Sewer Pump Drain	Park Drain	Levelling of Bank Top	755m	£1,947.90
St Catherines Well Stream	Huxter Well	Levelling of Bank Top	671m	£1,731.18
North Idle Drain	Dirtness	Levelling of Bank Top	500m	£1,290.00
Broomston Drain (Lower Level)	Park Drain	Levelling of Bank Top	500m	£1,290.00
Willow Close Drain	Bull Hassocks	Levelling of Bank Top	457m	£1,179.06
Pissy Beds Drain	Wike Well	Levelling of Bank Top	450m	£1,161.00
Dole Road North Drain	Medge Hall	Levelling of Bank Top	400m	£1,032.00
High Water Drain	Bull Hassocks	Levelling of Bank Top	388m	£1,001.04
Middle Drain	Tickhill (River Torne)	Levelling of Bank Top	350m	£903.00
Brierholme Carr Drain	Wikewell	Levelling of Bank Top	350m	£903.00
Deeps Drain	Park Drain	Levelling of Bank Top	300m	£774.00
Brosely Drain	Cuckoo Lane	Levelling of Bank Top	219m	£565.02
Mosham Drain	Candy Farm South	Levelling of Bank Top	150m	£387.00
Old Rand Carr Drain	Candy Farm South	Levelling of Bank Top	115m	£296.70
Washing Dyke	Huxter Well	Levelling of Bank Top	87m	£224.46
South Ring Drain (North)	Torne Bridge	Levelling of Bank Top	50m	£129.00
Gatewood Drain 2	Candy Farm North	Levelling of Bank Top	1,500m	£3,870.00
Low Anchor	Cuckoo Lane	Slip Repair	15m	£460.00

New Godnow Drain West	Sand Hall	Slip Repair	10m	£380.00
Boating Dyke Small Drain	Dirtness	Slip Repair	10m	£380.00
Houpes Drain & Houpes Drain Branch	Elmhurst (New Zealand)	Tree & Bushing	500m	£8,575.00
Brierholme Carr Road Drain	Wike Well	Tree & Bushing	450m	£6,125.00
Low Anchor	Cuckoo Lane	Tree & Bushing	150m	£2,295.00
			Total	£42,670.82

2. Summer Maintenance Works

2:1 Strategic Ordinary Watercourses (SOW) across the Boards area are being regularly monitored to ensure the continued conveyance of water, where necessary early weed removal will be undertaken in consultation with the Board's Environmental Officer.

3. Construction Works

3:1 Construction work for 2024/25 quote to follow.

Pump Station/ Drain Name	Catchment	Description of works
Tickhill Pumping Station	Tickhill (River Torne)	Bank/outfall repair works due to large slip.

4. Public Sector Cooperation Agreement (PSCA) Works

4:1 Maintenance on the following EA watercourses will be completed under the PSCA in 2024/25:

- (a) Diggin Dyke.
- (b) Harworth Sewer.
- (c) Low Bank Suction Drain.
- (d) River Torne Soak Drain, Candy Farm (3000m weed cut still outstanding)
- (e) River Torne Soak Drain, Tunnel Pits.
- (f) Woodhouse Sewer.
- (g) River Torne, Auckley Bridge - Toad Holes Lane Bridge.

5. Plant and Equipment

5:1 There are no planned purchases for the remainder of the 2023/24 budget year.

6. Pump Run Hours

6:1 Pump run hours are attached for information.

A. Malin
Senior Operations Manager

G. Sutton
Operations Manager

Pumping Station	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Total	Previous 12 Months	12 Month Change
Balby Carr	174	143	123	113	106	105	86	112	150	115	227	159	1,613	1,564	49
Blaxton Quarry	42	37	33	19	15	20	19	34	87	72	121	90	589	317	272
Cadmans	49	20	5	2	17	0	5	80	357	226	258	174	1,193	551	642
Cuckoo Lane	122	104	67	98	88	147	81	312	534	453	613	439	3,058	998	2,060
Elmhirst	90	74	48	12	11	15	19	205	251	236	294	250	1,505	545	960
Franklins	0	17	12	11	24	14	21	35	62	44	62	0	302	272	30
High Levels North	38	27	6	1	1	2	8	84	132	0	243	115	657	257	400
High Levels South	110	91	51	46	34	58	66	212	331	265	297	244	1,805	992	813
Huxterwell	615	571	386	294	294	583	434	624	1587	1032	1638	1121	9,179	5,626	3,553
Idle Stop	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	40	4	16	30	10	106	5	101
Kilham Farm	8	5	4	0	0	43	49	93	212	146	234	138	932	123	809
Kirton Lane	114	62	35	37	49	245	49	0	-10405	213	292	229	-9,080	498	-9,578
Langholme	89	91	59	12	25	56	62	100	313	176	292	195	1,470	834	636
Low Ellers	45	39	35	27	39	49	44	70	79	63	99	72	661	400	261
Medge Hall	183	146	85	0	0	10	26	285	624	517	1190	0	3,066	1,143	1,923
Newington	2	0	0	31	0	0	1	10	11	18	49	0	122	18	104
Park Drain	41	35	17	2	3	12	43	76	200	173	290	0	892	310	582
Pissey Beds	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	42	-41
Sandall Grange	20	14	4	1	2	4	6	50	72	60	141	0	374	145	229
Seven Arches	65	54	48	48	47	72	74	110	173	87	269	0	1047	617	430
South Thorn Bank	65	75	84	0	10	110	218	264	268	181	241	178	1694	796	898
Tickhill	77	52	32	33	44	66	47	241	350	164	277	164	1547	611	936
Thone Bridge	1	1	1	1	12	74	22	13	86	75	109	64	459	51	408
West Moor	26	21	16	2	17	16	7	38	84	71	122	92	512	272	240
Wikewell	85	69	36	31	33	91	48	116	250	197	286	230	1472	632	840

Please note the erroneous reading for:

Kirton Lane – New Pumps installed Oct 23

Cuckoo Lane – New Pumps installed Dec 21 and Feb 22

High Levels South – New Panel installed Nov 21

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 12
Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 22nd March 2024	Subject: FINANCE	

Recommendations:

- To review and approve the Management Accounts for the period ending 31st January 2024.
- To note the Board's cash balances and borrowings
- To approve the schedule of payments over £500 made since the last meeting.

1. Method of Accounting

- 1:1 The costs recorded within the Board's Annual Financial Statements, AGAR and IDB1 forms include both the external costs (money leaving the organisation), but also an element of Absorbed costs, which we allocate to our schemes and work programmes based upon a time mechanism and the rate we apply to an hour charge for a man or a piece of plant.
- 1:2 The monthly management variance reports forwarded to Officers and the Chair and Vice Chairmen, are prepared excluding these absorbed costs, so that only the external costs that represent real funds leaving the Board are reported.
- 1:3 To align with these monthly reports, the Board Report Management Variance Accounts, will also now only report what is actual external costs and directly relatable to the funds the Boards must raise from rating but also those costs that directly affect the Cash Surplus Reserves of the Board.

2. Management Accounts for the Period ending 31st January 2024

- 2:1 The Management Accounts for the 10-month period ending 31st January 2024 is shown below, summarising the variance of actual income and costs to estimates. The report also shows the Annual Budget amounts for information.

Any income and expenditure relating to Engineering schemes has been removed and will be reported separately, as the movements on the Engineering schemes (expenditure and income movements) do not directly affect the General Cash Reserves, so this enables us to predict the cash funds position that will be available to the Board for any overspends or to meet any extra-ordinary expenditure that a flooding event may create.

The report is a summary of the main Income and Expenditure headings, a more detailed report of the breakdown of those headings can be found at the end of the finance report.

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD**Variance to Estimates Report - For the 10 months to 31st January 2024**

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.01.24 Variance	31.01.24 Estimate	31.01.24 Actual
The following income & expenditure is not related to Engineering Schemes				
Total Income including Rates/Levy/Consenting Income	1,502,764.00	83,243.30	1,424,117.00	1,507,360.30
Absorption Income relating to costs in Schemes	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	(0.00)
Total Maintenance Costs for Drains/PS/Consenting	(808,424.00)	(18,907.21)	(572,833.00)	(591,740.21)
Total Supportive expenditure incl Salaries, Plant Running, Precept, Admin & IT	(560,513.00)	10,018.62	(473,988.00)	(463,969.38)
	133,827.00	74,354.71	377,296.00	451,650.71
Adjustment to Other Reserves				
Add the intended transfer to Plant Renewals Fund -trf in reserves (rated for)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds transferred from plant reserve to meet expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant/Vehicle planned net expenditure not occurred in year - held	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Adjustments for Balance Sheet Budget Entries				
Fixed Asset Adjustments				
Vehicle additions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vehicle disposals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant additions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant disposals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Loan Capital Adjustment				
PWLB Loan repayments - Existing	(61,028.00)	0.33	(40,821.00)	(40,820.67)
PWLB Loan repayments - Future	(9,051.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance of Income over Expenditure To General Reserves at 31/01/2024	63,748.00	74,355.04	336,475.00	410,830.04
Board Funding towards schemes	(128,000.00)		(128,000.00)	(128,000.00)
Surplus/(deficit) to be taken from General Reserves as at 31st January 2024	(64,252.00)	74,355.04	208,475.00	282,830.04
Unplanned adjustments to Reserves during period:				
Additional Funds Required for Engineering Schemes to be taken from General Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Engineering Scheme funds transferred back to General Reserves	0.00	723.30	0.00	723.30
Surplus/(deficit) to be taken from General Reserves as at 31st January 2024	(64,252.00)	75,078.34	208,475.00	283,553.34

The above shows, that for the period to 31st January 2024, including Scheme Transfers to and from Reserves, resulted in a positive variance for the period of **£75,078.34**.

Notes on overspends and underspends are included on the detailed report.

2:2 Predicted Outturn of Income and Expenditure for the financial year to 31st March 2024

The 2023/24 Estimates allowed for a deficit budget of **£64,252** where the funds would be met from general reserves.

The agricultural rates and special levies for 2023/24 were increased by 17% to boost the levels held in General Reserves to achieve a 30% General Reserve and also to allow for estimated increase in costs during 2023/24 relating to electric.

	31.03.24 Annual Approved Budget	31.03.24 Expected Outturn	Notes
Outturn Report to Increase / decrease general reserves			The Expected Outturn values include the Full year budgets PLUS any overspends (or less any underspends) that are not to be reversed by the end of the financial year
Total Income including Rates/Levy/Consenting Income	1,502,764.00	1,597,664.00	PSCA Income £25k . Contributions to vehicle running costs £2.5k . Consent £1100 & Surface Water Fees £17900 . Contribution to DLO Costs shared employee £8.4k . PS Contributions £40k
Absorption Income relating to costs in Schemes	0.00	0.00	The use of own labour & plant in Budgeted schemes benefits the Cash Surplus Position
Total Maintenance Costs for Drains/PS/Consenting	(808,424.00)	(819,624.00)	PSCA costs £20k . Drains Maintenance underspend £43k Consenting Costs outturn higher by £5k . PS Electric cost outturn higher £25k . PS Insurances/Insp outturn higher £4.2k
Total Supportive expenditure incl Salaries, Plant Running, Precept, Admin & IT	(560,513.00)	(530,004.00)	Consortium costs underspend £24k . Motor Expenses £6k . Shared staff costs £19,850 . DLO staff costs £6000 . Direct Exp incl Apprentice £13k ; IT costs £5.5k . Legal & Prof Fees £11k ; Loan interest £8,859
Adjustment to Other Reserves			
Add the intended transfer to Plant Renewals Fund -trf in reserves (rated for)	0.00	0.00	
Funds transferred from plant reserve to meet expenditure	0.00	0.00	
Adjustments for Balance Sheet Budget Entries			
Fixed Asset Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Loan Capital Adjustment	(70,079.00)	(61,028.00)	Loan capital repayment delayed until 24/25 £9,051
Expected Outturn - Increase / (Decrease) to General Reserves before Transfer of Budgets	63,748.00	187,008.00	
Board funding to schemes	(128,000.00)	(128,000.00)	
See Transfer of Budgets:			
Additional Funds Required for Engineering Schemes to be taken from General Reserves	0.00	0.00	
Engineering Scheme funds transferred back to General Reserves	0.00	723.30	Sept 23 BM TRF of Budgets £723.30 back to reserves
Expected Outturn - Increase / (decrease) to General Reserve:	(64,252.00)	59,731.30	Difference between Outturn & Budget £123,983.30

The above Outturn report indicates that, after allowing for the noted expected overspends and savings, this deficit will revert to a surplus of **£59,731.30**.

This is an increase to the estimated position by **£123,983.30**. The Board have an improved income position due to an increase in surface water fees of £17.9k and an improved expenditure position where the outturn relating to expected Electricity costs is now predicted to be only £25k overspent rather than the £92k previously predicted, however this is still very dependent on the weather for the remainder of the financial year. Other estimated underspends of note relate to loan repayments of £17,910, lower consortium costs of £24k and drains maintenance costs of £43k.

Any Outturn surplus will boost General Reserves.

2:3 Plant reserves

There have been no movements on the Plant reserves and the Board hold a fund of £10,000 towards future plant additions. Should these funds be required elsewhere those future purchases will need to be rated for, increasing the rate in the affected year.

2:4 General Reserves – Surplus Cash

The General Reserves, as shown on the Balance Sheet, shows the equity of the Board, and these funds are made up of both cash and non-cash assets/liabilities, such as any fixed assets the Board holds in its balance sheet.

Within those General reserves we identify the cash element so that we can ensure we have sufficient funds in the form of cash to meet our everyday expenditure and keep enough in reserve to enable the Board to meet any unplanned expenditure caused by an increase in costs or a flooding event.

The Surplus Cash element of the Reserves is after we have taken account of any other Reserves the Board holds for specific future expenditure, such as Plant Reserves or Capital Receipts Unapplied Reserves.

It is this Surplus Cash reserve we aim to hold a reserve of 30% of Net Operating Costs. Whilst 30% is the Board's policy, we must also take note of the monetary amount to ensure that this is also sufficient.

The predicted outturn for the Surplus Cash at 31st March 2024 is as follows:

Surplus Cash Position at 1st April 2023	£478,989.97
Add: Funds in year to be held in the Plant Reserves for future use	£10,000.00
Add: Funds in year to be held in the Capital Rcpts Unapplied Reserves for future use	£0.00
Add: Funds in year to be held in the Commuted sum reserve	£75,774.68
Add: Costs rated for in 23/24 occurring in 2022/23 included in Predicted outturn	£0.00
Add: Predicted Outturn for 23/24	£59,731.30
Predicted Cash Position at 31st March 2024	£624,495.95
Deduct: Predicted Plant Reserve Value at 31st March 2024	-£10,000.00
Deduct: Capital Receipts Unapplied Value at 31st March 2024	£0.00
Add: Funds in year to be held in the Commuted sum reserve	-£75,774.68
Predicted Surplus Cash Position at 31st March 2024 - for general use	£538,721.27
Surplus cash as a % of Net Operating Costs	47.49%
<i>Surplus Cash Position as predicted following 22/23 update</i>	<i>£414,738.00</i>
<i>Surplus Cash Position % as predicted following 22/23 update</i>	<i>32.96%</i>

2:5 Engineering Schemes

In addition to the income and expenditure that reduces or improves the general reserves, the Board also incurs expenditure in relation to Engineering Schemes.

Due to the nature of those schemes the life of the project can take place over a number of years and therefore any funds are held separately to those of the General Reserve to ensure that these funds are available when the expenditure is required.

A summary of the movement on the Scheme reserves is detailed below for the period to 31st January 2024.

Engineering Earmarked funds		Current Year
	Balances at 1st April 2023	384,376.56
	Board funding as agreed in Estimates	128,000.00
	Engineering Income Received	50,000.00
	Funds held in PS Reserve	-50,000.00
	Transfers (to) / from reserves or OPS projects	(723.30)
	Engineering Expenses paid	(74,939.31)
	Balances at 31st January 2024	436,713.95
		<u>Remaining Budget</u>
<u>Project</u>		
DE10001	Misson Training Area SSSi WLMP Implementation	0.00
DE11001	Potteric Carr SSSi WLMP	0.00
DE14001	Reserve fund for Projects	80,000.00
DE16001	Haxey Grange Fen SSSi WLMP	0.00
DE18005	Strategic Hydraulic Modelling	-10,160.80
DE19305	Low Eilers PS Pump Refurbishment	-21,802.28
DE19307	Huxterwell PS Weedscreen	-53,045.20
DE19453	Great Black Lane Tickhill Drainage Scheme	5,000.00
DE19501	Huxterwell Drain Improvements	-1,232.89
DE20303	Telemetry replacement	-1,004.04
DE20305	Newington PS Refurbishment	-312.10
DE20306	Seven Arches PS Refurbishment	15,754.38
DE20307	Park Drain PS Refurbishment	43,408.69
DE20802	Wood & Ealand Common Drain Study	2,360.25
DE20803	Boating Dyke Study	1,491.87
DE21305	Elmhirst PS Refurbishment	63,606.88
DE21306	Franklins PS Refurbishment	20,000.00
DE21307	High Level South Refurbishment	1,395.28
DE23302	Emergency Pump Station Repairs	58,834.33
DE23305	Blaxton Quarry	120,000.00
DE23450	Culvert CCTV & desilting works	17,495.00
DE23451	Asset Renewals & Resilience	44,446.95
DE23600	Barn Owl Boxes	1,000.00
DE23601	Mink Control	2,000.00
DE23800	Catchment Reviews	15,000.00
DE23801	Drain Investigations	32,477.63
	ENGINEERING PROJECTS	<u>436,713.95</u>

The above Balance relates only to the funds that have been received less any expenditure to date, it does not reflect the Outturn position of the open schemes.

2:6 The Balance Sheet as at 31st January 2024 is also attached for information:

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board		
Balance Sheet Report		
All Values are shown in	Pound Sterling	Selected Period 10 ending 31/01/2024
	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
FIXED ASSETS		
LAND & BUILDINGS	22500.00	22500.00
PUMPING STATIONS	381186.80	381186.80
PLANT & EQUIPMENT	4531.86	4531.86
MOTOR VEHICLES	13969.01	13969.01
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>402187.47</u>	<u>402187.47</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
BANK ACCOUNT	1316998.80	1088594.18
STOCK	30.75	233.98
DEBTORS CONTROL ACCOUNT	221385.66	161296.17
RATES DEBTORS ACCOUNT	1590.10	(257.81)
OTHER DEBTORS	794.48	876.02
PREPAYMENTS	5860.00	3880.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>1546659.59</u>	<u>1234422.54</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
TRADE CREDITORS & SUPPLIER RETENTIONS	215673.10	207107.98
OTHER CREDITORS	367.64	2805.50
ACCRUALS	490.02	56094.31
VAT LIABILITY	(8271.40)	(30137.73)
PAYE CONTROLS	10.80	1006.88
LOANS	20207.64	61028.31
DEFERRED INCOME & COMMUTED SUMS	53057.49	48604.39
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>281835.29</u>	<u>348309.84</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>1867011.77</u>	<u>1280300.37</u>
LONG TERM LIABILITIES		
LOANS DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	267183.63	267183.63
TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES	<u>267183.63</u>	<u>267183.63</u>
	<u>1399828.14</u>	<u>1023116.74</u>
RESERVES:		
EARMARKED		
PLANT RESERVES	10000.00	10000.00
ENGINEERING PROJECTS RESERVE	436713.95	384376.56
COMMUTED SUM RESERVE	75774.68	75774.68
TOTAL EARMARKED	<u>522488.63</u>	<u>470151.24</u>
CURRENT PERIOD SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	378711.40	(95578.32)
GENERAL RESERVES (P&L RESERVE)	500628.11	648541.82
TOTAL UN-EARMARKED	<u>877339.51</u>	<u>552965.50</u>
NON-DISTRIBUTABLE		
TOTAL NON-DISTRIBUTABLE		
TOTAL RESERVES	<u>1399828.14</u>	<u>1023116.74</u>

3. Cash and Bank Reserves as at 31st January 2024

3:1 Schedule of Balances

	Bank Balances	Interest Rate
Lloyds Current Account	£954,163.99	0.00%
Lloyds Rating Account	£362,834.61	0.00%
TOTAL	<u>£1,244,614.57</u>	

4. External Borrowing

4:1 The following annuity loans are outstanding with the Public Works Loan Board:

<i>District / Loan Number</i>	<i>Loan Amount</i>	<i>Year Commenced</i>	<i>Period (years)</i>	<i>Interest Rate</i>	<i>Balance Outstanding</i>
501518	£230,000.00	2002	25	4.75%	£57,005.15
501506	£84,154.00	2003	25	4.65%	£25,296.11
501507	£52,119.00	2003	25	4.65%	£15,666.67
501508	£58,368.00	2003	25	5.25%	£19,931.69
501519	£116,000.00	2003	25	4.85%	£35,397.88
501516	£76,133.00	2003	20	4.65%	£0.00
501520	£43,535.00	2005	25	4.45%	£17,300.22
501514	£138,106.74	2010	18	4.86%	£68,131.21
501517	£227,543.39	2011	14	3.83%	£48,662.34
		Total			<u>£287,391.27</u>

5. Payments over £500

5:1 A schedule of payments over £500 made by the Board since the last meeting is attached for approval.

Schedule of payments over £500 submitted to the Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board meeting for approval on 22nd March 2024

Trans Date	Account	Narrative	Payment Value	Notes
			£	
04/01/2024	Net Wages	PAYE & Pension Payment	3,947.76	
12/01/2024	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	624.64	Drains maintenance
12/01/2024	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	22,341.82	Consortium recharges Dec 23
12/01/2024	North Lincs Engineering Ltd	PP/NLEN001	5,084.40	Repairs to penstock at Balby Carr PS
19/01/2024	P.A.Y.E.	PAYE & Pension Payment	2,905.23	
19/01/2024	Dawson & Burgess Solicitors	PP/DAWB001	2,376.00	Legal fees re First Point Business Park
19/01/2024	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	2,736.05	Share of Operations Manager
19/01/2024	Schneider Electric Systems UK Limited	PP/SCHN001	4,512.64	Telemetry support Jan-Mar 24
22/01/2024	Woldmarsh Producers Ltd	PP/WOLD001	31,924.58	Fuel, materials etc.
22/01/2024	Public Works Loan Board	PWLB	10,298.70	Loan repayments
01/02/2024	Public Works Loan Board	PWLB	12,547.29	Loan repayments
02/02/2024	Association of Drainage Authorities	PP/ADAU001	5,726.40	Membership subscriptions 24
02/02/2024	Environment Agency	PP/ENVA001	109,440.00	Flood & coastal erosion risk management levy
08/02/2024	Pension Fund	NEST	735.52	
12/02/2024	Public Works Loan Board	PWLB	13,388.63	Loan repayments
16/02/2024	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	2,702.21	Share of Operations Manager
16/02/2024	National World Publishing Ltd	PP/JOHN001	840.71	
16/02/2024	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	20,099.40	Consortium recharges Jan 24
16/02/2024	WSP UK Limited	PP/WSPU001	6,053.20	Hydraulic modelling works for Dirtiness Area
22/02/2024	Black Drain Drainage Board	PP/BLAC001	2,500.00	Contribution to North Common Area
22/02/2024	Colwill Contracting Ltd	PP/COLW001	46,820.32	Flailing contract
Total			307,605.50	

For data protection purposes some information may be excluded from this report, for example where payments have been made to individuals.

6. Management Accounts detailed report

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Variance to Estimates Report - For the 10 months to 31st January 2024

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.01.24 Variance	31.01.24 Estimate	31.01.24 Actual	Notes
INCOME					
Where the Income variance is negative this shows that the income received is less than estimated for					
The following income is not related to Engineering					
Agricultural drainage rates	118,271.00	53.40	118,271.00	118,324.40	
Special levies	1,075,752.00	0.00	1,075,752.00	1,075,752.00	
Rental, wayleaves & grazing income	211.00	(0.76)	207.00	206.24	
Income from PSCAs	10,000.00	25,366.27	9,904.00	35,270.27	Weedcutting works for the EA
Income from rechargeable works	0.00	2,059.59	0.00	2,059.59	Legal fees to be billed out to First Point, Catesby £1980
Income from recharge of disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Income from consenting	33,000.00	20,517.47	31,877.00	52,394.47	Includes Surface Water Contributions of £47,944.47
Contributions to PS expenditure	253,245.00	27,494.04	177,753.00	205,247.04	Directly relateable to PS costs, the higher the costs the higher the contributions
Contributions to other costs	12,285.00	7,689.47	10,353.00	18,042.47	Contribution towards Vehicle running costs £6,791.60 plus rental to CA £6,000. Contributions to DLO shared with IOA £5,250.87
Deferred income, commuted sums & contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other income	0.00	63.82	0.00	63.82	Incl Summons receipts £50
Investment interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL INCOME - not including absorption income	1,502,764.00	83,243.30	1,424,117.00	1,507,360.30	
Absorption Income - offset to costs					
Own use of plant recharged (absorption)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Drains Maintenance Absorbed Plant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
PS Maintenance Absorbed Plant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Recharge & PSCA Works Absorbed Plant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Own use of plant recharged (absorption) to Schemes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Use of own plant within schemes improves the General Surplus Cash Position of the Board
DLO Own use of labour recharged (absorption)	37,613.00	5,671.19	32,080.00	37,751.19	
Drains Maintenance Absorbed DLO Labour	(4,723.00)	(359.40)	(3,992.00)	(4,351.40)	
PS Maintenance Absorbed DLO Labour	(32,890.00)	(5,232.20)	(28,088.00)	(33,320.20)	
Recharge & PSCA Works Absorbed DLO Labour	0.00	(79.59)	0.00	(79.59)	
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Own use of labour recharged (absorption) to Schemes	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	(0.00)	Use of own DLO labour within schemes improves the General Surplus Cash Position of the Board.
TOTAL INCOME - including absorption income in scheme	1,502,764.00	83,243.30	1,424,117.00	1,507,360.30	Positive Variance on Income - will increase General Cash Reserves.

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD
Variance to Estimates Report - For the 10 months to 31st January 2024

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.01.24 Variance	31.01.24 Estimate	31.01.24 Actual	Notes
EXPENDITURE					
Where the expenditure variance is negative this shows that the expenditure is more than estimated for					
MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE - EXTERNAL COSTS ONLY					
Drain maintenance expenditure	405,242.00	68,829.02	355,303.00	286,473.98	Underspent on contractors
Pumping station expenditure	379,182.00	(63,641.95)	195,958.00	259,599.95	Electric £65,455 over budget. Insurances/lnsp £4.2k higher than budget.
PSCA Recharge expenditure	10,000.00	(20,765.80)	9,904.00	30,669.80	Costs recharged to EA
Recharge expenditure	0.00	(2,188.77)	0.00	2,188.77	External consultant costs £1,980 to be billed to First Point
Consenting time expenditure	14,000.00	(1,139.73)	11,668.00	12,807.73	Consultants time spent on applications
Disbursement Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Cost of goods sold & stock variances	0.00	0.02	0.00	(0.02)	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE	808,424.00	(18,907.21)	572,833.00	591,740.21	
SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE					
DLO costs	55,624.00	(5,477.61)	43,427.00	48,904.61	New full time member of staff taken on September 2023
Other direct expenses	20,226.00	9,769.98	13,920.00	4,150.02	Apprentice costs no longer payable £9.2k below budget
Environment Agency precept	218,880.00	0.00	218,880.00	218,880.00	The final payment of £109,440 paid on 02.02.24
Support & establishment costs	240,754.00	5,675.08	187,675.00	181,999.92	Staff Costs re Ops manager share £15.8k over budget. Other Staff Costs £2.6k over budget. Consortium fees £24.5k lower than estimate. Motor reps £4.3k over budget. IT budget £4.4k under. Employment advice £1.4k over budget.
Finance costs	24,829.00	(146.56)	9,886.00	10,032.56	Bank charges, credit card machine charges and loan interest
Depreciation costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Bad debt costs	0.00	(2.27)	0.00	2.27	Court costs for summonses
Biodiversity & environmental costs	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	
TOTAL SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE	560,513.00	10,018.62	473,988.00	463,969.38	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,368,937.00	(8,888.59)	1,046,821.00	1,055,709.59	
	133,827.00	74,354.71	377,296.00	451,650.71	
EXCEPTIONAL INCOME	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	133,827.00	74,354.71	377,296.00	451,650.71	

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD
Variance to Estimates Report

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.01.24 Variance	31.01.24 Estimate	31.01.24 Actual	
INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	133,827.00	74,354.71	377,296.00	451,650.71	
ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON MONETARY ITEMS					
Remove the effects of Depreciation costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
Remove the effects of Profit on Disposal - exception income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
	133,827.00	74,354.71	377,296.00	451,650.71	
ADJUSTMENTS FOR BALANCE SHEET ENTRIES					
Adjustments for Reserves Movements					
Add the intended transfer to Plant Renewals Fund -trf in reserves (rated for)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	No planned transfers in year. Plant reserve currently has reserves of £10k
Plant/Vehicle net expenditure occurred in year - funded from Plant reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Plant/Vehicle planned net expenditure not occurred in year - held over to Plant reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Fixed Asset Adjustments					
Motor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	There are NO budget plant / vehicle additions in the 23/24 year
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Plant additions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Plant disposals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Loan Capital Adjustment					
PWLB Loan repayments - Existing	61,028.00	(0.33)	40,821.00	40,820.67	
PWLB Loan repayments - Future	9,051.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	70,079.00	(0.33)	40,821.00	40,820.67	
Non I&E (Costs) & Income	70,079.00	(0.33)	40,821.00	40,820.67	
Variance at 31/01/2024	63,748.00	74,355.04	336,475.00	410,830.04	
Planned Board Funding towards schemes	(128,000.00)	0.00	(128,000.00)	(128,000.00)	
Surplus/(deficit) to be taken from General Reserves as at 31st January 2024	(64,252.00)	74,355.04	208,475.00	282,830.04	
See Transfer of Budgets:					
Additional Funds Required for Engineering Schemes to be taken from General Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Engineering Scheme funds transferred back to General	0.00	723.30	0.00	723.30	Sept 23 BM TRF of Budgets £723.30 back to reserves
Variance at 31/01/2024	(64,252.00)	75,078.34	208,475.00	283,553.34	

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