

THE MORAY COUNCIL
MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE FLOOD ALLEVIATION SUB-COMMITTEE
6 MARCH 2013
COUNCIL OFFICE, ELGIN

Present

Councillors G. Alexander (Chairman), L. Creswell, J. Divers, G. Leadbitter, A. McLean, M. Shand and A. Skene.

Also Present

Councillor C. Tuke.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors J. Allan, P. Paul and R. Shepherd.

In Attendance

The Consultancy Manager, the Project Manager (Elgin Flood Alleviation Scheme), the Project Manager (Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Scheme) and Mr D. Westmacott, Committee Services Officer, Clerk to the meeting.

1. DECLARATION OF GROUP DECISIONS

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillor's Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from group leaders or spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how members will vote on any item on the Agenda or any declarations of Members Interest in respect of any item on the Agenda.

2. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

There were no written questions.

3. ELGIN FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME: PROGRESS

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Environmental Services) updating the Sub-Committee on the progress of the Elgin Flood Alleviation Scheme. A copy of Monitoring Report No. 13 for the Elgin Flood Prevention Scheme 2007 for December 2012 to end of January 2013 was provided as Appendix I to the report.

The Committee joined Councillor Divers in commending Mr Haslam and his team for progress made ahead of schedule.

Following consideration, the Sub-Committee:-

- (i) commended Mr Haslam and his team for progress made ahead of schedule;
- (ii) noted Monitoring Report No. 13 for the Elgin Flood Prevention Scheme 2007 for December 2012 to end of January 2013, as set out in Appendix I of the report; and
- (iii) agreed to report progress to the Council.

4. FORRES (RIVER FINDHORN & PILMUIR) FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME: PROGRESS

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Environmental Services) updating the Sub-Committee on the progress of Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Scheme. A copy of Monitoring Report No 3 for the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation for October to end of January 2013

The Committee joined the Chairman and Councillor Creswell in commending Mrs Hellett and her team for achieving 100% in the site safety and environmental review and for providing a site tour to a party of Chinese visitors.

Following consideration, the Sub-Committee:-

- (i) commended Mrs Hellett and her team for achieving 100% in the site safety and environmental review and for providing a site tour to a party of Chinese visitors;
- (ii) noted Monitoring Report No. 3 for the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation for October to end of January 2013; and
- (iii) agreed to report progress to the Council.

5. MORAY FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEMES: FINANCIAL MONITORING SUMMARY

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Environmental Services) updating the Sub Committee on the Moray Flood Alleviation Schemes in respect of financial monitoring and advise of key factors affecting costs of schemes.

Following consideration, the Sub-Committee noted:-

- (i) that the estimated capital cost of Schemes accords with the approved Financial Plan as far as can be ascertained at this point, with the exception of Forres (Burn of Mosset);
- (ii) that there are no significant changes to forecast out-turns for Forres (Burn of Mosset) or Rothes Schemes; and
- (iii) forecast out-turns for the Elgin and Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Schemes are lowered because unused budget for construction preparation and scheme development has been released.

6. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions raised.

7. SITE VISITS

The Sub-Committee noted that the Consultancy Manager will arrange a site visit, in consultation with Members Support, to Elgin and Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Schemes for all Elected Members.