

**THE MORAY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE FLOOD ALLEVIATION SUB-COMMITTEE**

**1 MAY 2013**

**COUNCIL OFFICE, ELGIN**

**Present**

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

**Apologies**

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

**In Attendance**

The Head of Direct Services, 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 submitted to the Sub-Committee.

**3. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

There was submitted and noted a report by the Corporate Director (Environmental Services) advising the Sub-Committee of revised arrangements for stakeholder engagement for the Elgin and Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Schemes. A copy of the revised Stakeholder Engagement Strategy was provided as Appendix 1 to the report.

#### **4. 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. 14 for the Elgin Flood Prevention Scheme 2007 for February to the end of March 2013 was provided as Appendix I to the report.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) note Monitoring Report No. 14 for the Elgin Flood Prevention Scheme 2007 for February to end of March 2013, as set out in Appendix I of the report; and
- (ii) report progress to the Council.

#### **5. 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. 4 for the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation for February to the end of March 2013 provided as Appendix I to the report.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) note Monitoring Report No. 4 for the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation for February to end of March 2013, as set out in Appendix I of the report; and
- (ii) report progress to the Council.

#### **6. MORAY FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEMES: FINANCIAL MONITORING SUMMARY**

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

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to note:-

- (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) there are no significant changes to forecast out-turns for Elgin, Forres (Burn of Mosset) or Rothes Schemes; and

- (iii) that forecast out-turn costs for the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Schemes were now £340,000 below budget.

## **7. QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions raised.