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Flood Management Working Party

Held at Council Chamber - Ryedale House, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 7HH
on Thursday 9 December 2021

Present

Councillors Cussons MBE, Di Keal (Chair), MacKenzie, Potter and Raper

In Attendance

Beckie Bennett, John Burbidge (Environment Agency), Will Baines, Lucy Furneaux,
Rachel Parks and Margaret Wallace

Minutes

27 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burr.

28 **Minutes from the previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Flood Management Working Party on 5 October 2021 were approved.

Voting record

Agreed by general affirmation

29 **Environment Agency Update**

John Burbidge, Asset Performance Team Leader for the Derwent and Esk Catchment updated the Working Party on:

- The work of the Environment Agency
- The flood risk in the Derwent Catchment
- The flooding history and works undertaken
- Warning and informing undertaken by the Environment Agency
- The January/February 2021 floods and recovery work undertaken
- Planned and completed work
 - o Treeworks
 - o Mill Beck pumping station
 - o Mill Beck screen
 - o Priorpot Beck
 - o Normanby
- Ryedale schemes included in the Environment Agency Flood and Coastal Risk Management Capital Programme

The Working Party asked a range of questions including: an update on the River Seven bridge at Normanby; further details on river screens; progress

with natural flood management measures; progress at Norton Ings; the review of the Malton and Norton Flood Alleviation Scheme and the bund at Pickering.

The Working Party thanked Mr Burbidge for his presentation and answers to the questions.

30 **Motion to Council**

Considered – Briefing document of the Head of Waste and Environment.

Beckie Bennett went through the briefing document to update the Working Party on the Motion to Council. A permanent scheme for Norton is being progressed by Yorkshire Water. The proposed recommendation to Policy and Resources Committee is that the Council agrees a contribution towards the Yorkshire Water Permanent Scheme for Norton of 20% of the total scheme costs, up to a maximum of £152,000 (based on total costs of £760,000). This contribution will be allocated within the capital budget for 2022/23.

The proposed Yorkshire Water scheme for Norton is currently going through their approvals process. It was noted that although the District Council is not the Lead Local Flood Authority, the proposal is for Ryedale DC to make a financial contribution to the scheme to help progress it as quickly as possible.

Recommendation to P&R

It is recommended that the Council agrees a contribution towards the Yorkshire Water Permanent Scheme for Norton of 20% of the total scheme costs to a maximum of £152,000 (based on total costs of £760,000). This funding will be allocated within the capital budget for 2022/23.

Voting record

Unanimous

31 **Action Plan updates**

Rachel Parks updated the Working Party on the quarter 3 completed actions, such as the pump deployment training undertaken and the annual sandbag check.

On the 'Live Actions', the flood warden training is taking place on the 15 December, with the Malton, Norton and Old Malton Flood Alleviation Scheme works set to be completed by NYCC in January 2022. On long term actions, talks are continuing with Yorkshire Water on investment to replace pumps in Norton and the proposed flooding solution for the Brawby area is ongoing, with site work expected to start in January 2022.

The ongoing action on the answer to one of the Flooding FAQs was an outstanding action for Yorkshire Water and regular update meetings are scheduled to track all actions.

32 Visual maps of flood management in Ryedale

The map showing the 2021 flood response and the external partners responsibilities was considered. These maps will continue to be updated to ensure all the work being progressed by all partners across the district is captured and reflected.

Monthly meetings are now scheduled in for officers to engage with all external partners as part of the work programme.

33 Dates of future meetings

The next Flood Management Working Party meeting is to be held on Tuesday 8 February 2022. Enquiries are to be made with the Internal Drainage Board, Yorkshire Derwent Catchment Partnership and Ryevitalise to check on their availability to attend future meetings.

34 Any other business

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7:30pm.

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