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MINUTES OF THE AXE BRUE LEWIS DROVE MEETING HELD AT BRADBURY HOUSE ON 29 OCTOBER 2020 @ 14 00 $\,$

Attendance:				
Elected Members:	Appointed Members:	Officers:	Public:	
Mr J Fear (Chair)	Cllr P Costello	Mr I Study	Mr B Malin	
Mr A Franks	Cllr W Human	Mr M Wall	Ms T Munt	
Mrs P Thorne	Cllr A Matthews	Mr P Struck		
Mr D Tratt	Cllr C Riches	Mr P Brewin		
Mr B Clapp	Cllr L Scott	Mr A Dowden		
Mr M Watts	Cllr M Martin	Miss N Cornish		
Mr M Wall	Cllr M Murphy			
Apologies:				
	Cllr A Gilling			
Did Not Attend:				

Agenda Item:	Detail:	Action:
Attendance and	1.1. Apologies as per the above Attendance	
Apologies	List.	
2. Items additional to	2.1. Chairman to be appointed for the Meeting.	
the Agenda		
	Mr M Watts proposed, seconded by Mrs P	
	Thorne "that Mr J Fear be appointed	RESOLUTION 1
	Chairman for this Meeting."	
	Vote: unanimous	
	Mr J Fear took the Chair.	
3. Opportunity for	No members of the public addressed the	
members of the	meeting at this time.	
public to address the		
Meeting		
4. Declarations of	4.1. Mr A Franks declared a pecuniary interest	
Interest	& Mr D Tratt declared a personal interest	
5.	5.1. Mr B Malin requested to observe the	
	Meeting however, Director of Operations (Dir	
	Ops) reported that this was to be a closed	
	Meeting.	

Each Board is a statutory public body with responsibilities for flood protection, land drainage and the environment.

All are members of the Association of Drainage Authorities.

The Meeting was closed to enable Dir Ops to receive clarification.

Once the Meeting resumed, Dir Ops reported the Meeting could be closed in-line with the Local Government Act. Members requested the Meeting proceed as an open Meeting.

Mr A Franks left the Meeting room.

The Chairman requested endorsement of proceeding as an open Meeting.

Vote: 12 For; 1 Against; 0 Abstain

The Chair reported the Meeting would continue with members of the public welcome to observe.

Mr A Franks returned to the Meeting Room.

5.2. Dir Ops requested questions concerning the Lewis Drove Site Meeting held earlier in the day.

Cllr C Riches requested a copy of the briefing notes, as did other members who did not attend the morning Meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to enable electronic dissemination of the briefing notes to Members.

After discussion of the recommended options Mr B Clapp proposed, seconded by Mr M Watts "that the Axe Brue Board endorse Officer recommendations to replace the culvert at Rose Bud Farm access, undertaking permanent improvements to culverts on the east of Lewis Drove at an estimated cost of £50k, and continue to support Godwin's in their efforts to negotiate a suitable after use of the peat void with NE and MPA."

RESOLUTION 2

Vote: Unanimous

Mr B Clapp left the Meeting at 15.40.

	5.3. Members then considered options A and B of the Lewis Drove briefing notes. Cllr W Human proposed, seconded by Cllr L Scott "that the Axe Brue Board endorse Officer recommendations to remove the new dam at Lewis's Drove culvert with the second dam left in place to ensure day to day flows remain to the east of Lewis's Drove, and to not accept any liability or responsibility, nor contribute to Godwin's additional pumping costs required until they have restored their bank."	RESOLUTION 3
6.	There being no other business the Chair thanked Members, the Public and Officers for attending and the Meeting closed @ 16.04	