

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board held at the Green Tree Inn, Tudworth, on Friday, 27th June 2025, 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*

Appointed by the City of Doncaster Council

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

Officers

Mr A. McGill (Chief Executive)
Mrs A. Parsons (Chief Operating 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)

2025.36 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs R. Hopkins and A Porter, and Cllrs M. Houlbrook and K. Hughes.

2025.37 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2025.38 NOTIFICATION OF ITEMS OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

2025.39 BOARD MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 28th March 2025 be confirmed as a correct record.

2025.40 MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman introduced and welcomed Mr C. Harris (the Internal Auditor) and Mrs A. Parsons (the Consortium's Chief Operating Officer) to the meeting.

(a) Minute 2025.24 (c), Page 2 - Operations

In response to Mr M. Brooke, Mr C. Crowe confirmed that the Mining Remediation Authority was being consulted regarding the proposed rationalisation of assets. The Chairman stated that a detailed discussion would be held by the Board once more information was available. The Senior Engineer confirmed that liability would remain with the Mining Remediation Authority and there would be no loss of service from the proposed rationalisation.

The Senior Engineer stated that Newington Pumping Station would not be impacted from water from Misson West.

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(b) Minute 2025.24 (f), Page 2 - Park Drain Slip

The Chairman reported that the site meeting initially planned for April (with the Board's solicitor and Soils Ltd Geotechnical and Environmental Consultants) had been rescheduled for 30th July 2025. Mr C. Crowe indicated that he would like to attend as representative from the Mining Remediation Authority but could not make that date. Officers agreed to liaise with him regarding an alternative date. The Chairman expressed his disappointment that this matter had still not been resolved and urged Officers to give this their urgent attention.

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(c) Minute 2025.31(b), Page 7 - Finance

In response to Mr M. Oldknow, the Finance Manager confirmed that a further £250,000 had been invested with the Skipton Building Society with an interest rate of 4.14% (this had been done after preparation of the Board reports so was not included in the Finance Report at Item 9).

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2025.41 CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE

The attached minutes of the Consortium Committee meeting held on 14th May 2025 were presented for consideration and members' attention was drawn to Minute 5 which detailed the recharge mechanism for the Consortium, Minute 6 which showed the basis for preparation of the new Financial Regulations, and Minute 16 - the Unacceptable Customer Behaviour Policy.

It was noted that the basis LM/DE Rating Officer had been removed from the Consortium recharge and split LM 74% and DE 26% (based on the number of ratepayers), the AX/DE Pump Attendant was split 45%/55% and the Operations Manager 58%/42% (based on the amount of time spent in each area). The overall Consortium split remained the same and was due to be reviewed for the next financial year.

Regarding the proposed levels of delegation for the Financial Regulations, Mr C. Crowe asked if these were in line with similar organisations. The Chief Executive confirmed that it was proposed that these be the same for all the Consortium boards and were what was required to operate effectively, including during a flood event. The Chairman confirmed that any delegated authority would be within approved budgets and he and the Vice-Chairman would authorise anything outside of the delegated limits in an emergency.

The Finance Manager gave a presentation on the recent benchmarking review undertaken following a request by the AX Board. This had been discussed by the Consortium Committee (see Minute 4). The Chief Executive emphasised that there was very little comparable up to date information in the public domain and different accounting software used by various IDBs meant that data was not always recorded in the same manner, making a comparison difficult. This would be highlighted to ADA and DEFRA as a review of IDBs was due to be undertaken this year.

The Chairman expressed concern that the IDB1 forms were being interpreted differently as there was no clear guidance on what was to be included under each heading. He also queried what this data was being used for, particularly as there had been nothing

published since 2020/21. The Board reiterated that it would not take part in the review unless provided with a framework and details beforehand.

The Chairman had received a list from the Environment Agency (EA) of what Flood Recovery Money had been awarded, the amount, and the recipient. He would be writing to the EA for further clarification on the eligibility criteria, how applications were assessed and by whom, and the selection process for audit. He queried how £1.8M could be allocated to main river breach repairs when the fund was set up to assist IDBs with operational expenses and repairs following the 2023/24 floods, and to modernise and upgrade IDB assets for the future. He asked Officers and members to let him know if there were any further questions they wished him to raise. Mr P. Cornish queried the environmental benefit questions that were raised on the application form. The Senior Engineer queried whether the approval of the applications was undertaken by different people and down to interpretation. Mr C. Crowe stated that it would have taken a lot of resource to review all the applications thoroughly and fairly.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the attached minutes of the meeting of the Consortium Committee held on 14th May 2025 be confirmed as a correct and the resolutions made under Minutes 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 and 13 be approved and adopted by the Board.
- (b) That the Chief Executive write to DEFRA stating the Board's position regarding participation in the IDB Review and requesting details of what the review would entail, how it would be undertaken and what data would be reviewed.

2025.42 JOINT NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

The attached minutes were presented for consideration.

RESOLVED

- That the attached minutes of the meeting of the Joint Negotiating Committee held on 14th May 2025 be approved and adopted by the Board.

2025.43 CONSERVATION ADVISORY GROUP

The attached minutes were presented for consideration and members' attention was drawn to Minute 3 (Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP)) and Minute 4 (Policies).

It was noted that the councils in the WMC area had yet to publish the local nature strategies and these needed to be consulted before the WMC BAP could be finalised. The Chief Executive suggested that the BAP be approved by the Board and amended once the strategies were available.

Mr M. Brooke reported that the Board's contractor had enquired whether maintenance work could start earlier as this was better for the farmers. In response, the Chief Executive stated that only early cutting could only be undertaken on strategic watercourses where there was excessive weedgrowth posing a risk of flooding and, in such cases, an environmental survey would be required beforehand.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the attached minutes of the Conservation Advisory Group held on 5th March 2025 be confirmed as a correct record and the resolutions made be approved and adopted by the Board.

- (b) That the BAP be approved and advertised on the Board's website, and the Policies listed in Minute 5 be noted, approved and circulated to staff.

2025.44 FINANCE

The attached detailed report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The Finance Manager reported the cash position at 31st March 2025 as £1,252,510.39 with Lloyds Bank with a further £250,000 invested in a fixed term deposit with th Skipton Building Society.

Eight loans remained outstanding in the sum of £206,391.08 (detailed in Appendix 1).

The attached Management Accounts for the period up to 31st March 2025 (Appendix 2) showed income of £2,070,411.49 and expenditure of £2,150,790.05, creating a deficit of £80,378.56, which was a worsening of the Board's position of £75,541.56 more than the estimates provided for. A total of £416,498.73 had been received in respect of flood recovery funding improving the expected income position for 2024/25, however, £597,532.01 had been moved to Scheme Reserves to cover emergency works and future schemes giving a balance in Scheme Reserves of £857,986 at the 31st March 2025. A further £10,000 was held in Plant Reserves and £75,774.68 in Commuted Sum Reserves. General Reserves totalled £483,868.13 which equated to 36.35% of net operating costs.

The Schedule of Payments over £500 (Appendix 3 of the attached report) was presented.

It was noted that the Financial Regulations would not be completed until September 2025; this required a further extension to the temporary levels of delegation.

Mr N. Williams agreed to forward information to Officers regarding electricity brokers for consideration when the Board's contracts were due for renewal.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Board's cash reserves and borrowings be noted.
- (b) That the attached Management Accounts be approved (Appendix 2).
- (c) That the temporary levels of delegation approved at the last Board meeting be extended to the end of September 2025.
- (d) That the attached Schedule of Payments over £500 totalling £535,291.63 be approved (Appendix 3).

2025.45 FIVE-YEAR PLAN

The attached five-year plan was presented for information. This had been updated following preparation of the Final Accounts for 2024/25. The plan showed an increase of 1.75% would be required for 2026/27 and 2027/28, rising to 5.5% for 2028/29 and 2029/30. It was noted that an additional £429,679 Tranche 2B Flood Recovery Funding had been confirmed for 2025/26 and the plan would be updated as part of the estimates process to take this into account.

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2025.46 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AGAR

The attached Final Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2025 were presented and considered by the Board.

The Finance Manager read out the Annual Governance Statement where members confirmed they were satisfied with the arrangements in place to ensure adequate financial control, and presented the Accounting Statements.

The Internal Auditor (Mr C. Harris) presented the attached Audit Report which gave a Substantial Assurance with no recommendations. He highlighted the importance of maintaining adequate reserves and stressed the Board's responsibility to ensure there was a proper framework for governance, risk and control.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2025 be approved and the Chairman evidence the Board's approval on Page 4 of the Accounts.
- (b) That the Internal Auditor's report be noted.
- (c) That the Annual Governance Statement be approved and the Chairman evidence the Board's approval on Page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR).
- (d) That the Accounting Statements be approved and the Chairman evidence the Board's approval on Page 5 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return.

2025.47 DRAINAGE RATES AND SPECIAL LEVIES

Drainage rates outstanding at 31st March 2025 totalled £294.31.

Rate demands totalling £122,856.17 had been issued for the 2025/26 year and of this £56,367.16 had been collected (45.9%). Fifty percent of the £1,145,882 special levies had also been received.

Mr M. Brooke had been contacted by a ratepayer who had sold some land and passed on the new landowner details; the Finance Manager would bring this to the attention of the Rating Officer.

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2025.48 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE

The Senior Operations Manager reported on six incidents and three near misses that had occurred across the Consortium since the last meeting. One of these (a near miss) related to the weedscreen area at Newington Pumping Station which had been left unprotected. On discovering this, the operations staff had made the area safe and the issue had since been rectified.

The Senior Operations had been investigating the requirements for transporting loads following guidance issued by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) in July 2023. The National Farmers' Union (NFU) had raised concerns with the DVSA regarding the requirement for all agricultural loads to be secured by sheeting regardless of whether the load was below the sides of the trailer. The guidance had been amended in December 2024 and now stated that in some circumstances, where the load was below the sides of the vehicle a cover may not be required. It put the onus on the operator to assess the risk and justify that the load was safe by undertaking a risk assessment to establish whether/what covering was required and that the vehicle had been loaded correctly. The NFU encouraged members to follow the new DVSA guidance and to undertake a risk assessment to demonstrate that the safety of the load had been

adequately considered. Where necessary, any WMC trailers would be adapted to ensure there was adequate provision for securing loads.

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2025.49 OPERATIONS

The Senior Operations Manager presented the attached report. It was noted that the Tickhill and Kilham Bridge to Candy Farm schemes would be brought forward following confirmation that money was available from the Flood Recovery Fund, to ensure that this was completed before 31st March 2026. In response to Mr M. Brooke, the Senior Operations Manager confirmed that details such as where the spoil would be spread would be considered when the scheme was designed. It was noted that an archaeological survey may be required prior to work commencing.

In response to Mr M. Brooke, the Senior Operations Manager confirmed that Officers were due to meet contractors on site regarding the slip repairs on Dutch Drain (damage from Dunsville Sewerage Works).

In response to Mr I. Dixon, he further reported that the Planning and Consenting team were looking into the issue of abstraction from Westmore Drain outfall at Huggin Car as damage to the watercourse and bank was occurring. The volume being abstracted would also require a licence from the Environment Agency.

The Chairman referred to item 3 of the attached report (PSCA Works), expressing concern about committing to PSCA work following the issue with TV Board last year when work was stopped by the EA and the Chief Executive was asked to self-report a potential criminal offence to the police. Further, the EA had stated that they would take the same action should this occur again. The Chairman further stated that should main river maintenance benefit the Board's systems, the Board had powers under the Land Drainage Act to undertake work without signing a PSCA. He suggested the EA be informed that if they wanted the Board to undertake the work, it would be done to the Board's standards, policies and procedures. It was noted that prior to last year, PSCA work had not been forthcoming from the EA for several years.

The Senior Engineer confirmed that the cost of the PSCA work detailed in 3:1 (a) to (g) was £39,500 last year.

The Chief Executive reported that Mr L. Pitcher (MP for Doncaster East and the Isle of Axholme) had contacted him to say that he would like to see a trial undertaken similar to that done last year in the LM area. Mr Pitcher had already discussed this with Mr M. Wray (Area Flood and Coastal Risk Manager at the EA). The Chief Executive would be responding directly to Mr Pitcher outlining the proposals for a new PSCA Light (as detailed in (a) to (h) of the Consortium Committee minutes pages 4 to 5. He had brought this to the attention of the Association of Drainage Authorities (ADA) and they were due to meet with Ms C. Douglass (Executive Director for Flood and Coastal Risk Management at the EA) and EA operational staff to discuss this further.

Mr M. Brooke was due to meet with the M.P. in July and would be highlighting the issues that the lack of main river maintenance was causing for farmers and the Board, highlighting, in particular, the Low Suction Drain.

The Chairman stated that before the Board agreed to undertake any work on any main rivers, it must have reassurance that the EA had undertaken any necessary environmental surveys to avoid the issues encountered last year.

The Senior Engineer queried whether the Board would consider taking on those watercourses in 3:1 (a) to (g) and asking the EA whether these could be de-mained. He

reported that they were only small watercourses, probably a metre wide, but were an important part of the land drainage network.

Mr P. Cornish was concerned about entering into the same PSCA as previously bearing in mind the pressure and stress this had caused the Boards and staff.

The Chief Executive reported that he had received an invitation from Mrs V. Atkins, M.P. for Louth and Horncastle, to meet and discuss the proposed PSCA Light; she had been instrumental in supporting the trial in the LM area. He stated that political support was essential and he had also spoken to Mr R. Tice, M.P. for Boston and Skegness, and the new Mayor of Greater Lincolnshire. Mr P. Cornish suggested that the Chief Executive also contact Ms J. White, M.P. for Bassetlaw.

The Senior Operations Manager agreed to check the pump run hours recorded for Low Ellers as these had increased when all other stations had reduced.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Officers report be noted.
- (b) Not to renew the existing Public Sector Cooperation Agreement (PSCA) with the Environment Agency but offer to either:
 - (i) enter into a PSCA Light (as detailed in the Consortium Committee minutes ((a) to (h) on pages 4 to 5);
 - (ii) participate in a trial working to the Board's standards, policies and procedures; or
 - (iii) undertake main river maintenance on those rivers which would benefit the Board's systems under the powers contained in the Land Drainage Act.

2025.50 PUMPING STATION STATUS

Officers presented the attached report and updated on the issues with the pumps at Low Ellers (2:1:1) and Park Drain (2:1:2).

It was noted that during the work at Low Ellers the motor which had been stored on the station roof had been stolen. The cost of a replacement motor was £11,770 and station costs were usually split 27% Board, 22% Yorkshire Water, 2% Mining Remediation Authority and 49% Environment Agency; Officers were checking to see whether this split applied to capital costs as well as maintenance. The Board's contribution would be met from general reserves.

Officers confirmed that they were liaising with Network Rail regarding access to undertake the work at Park Drain Pumping Station and would update at a future meeting on clearance and repair of the outfall chamber beneath the railway.

The weedscreen bars at Huxterwell had now been straightened and the weedrake was now operating effectively.

It was noted that the pumping station emergency repair budget for 2025/26 was currently £118,427.08 and costs to date totalled £84,940.08 (see also Minute 2025.51 (c) below).

RESOLVED

That the Officers report be noted.

2025.51 ASSET RENEWAL AND REFURBISHMENT

The Senior Engineer presented the attached report for consideration and updated on progress with projects.

Matters for note at Item 2:1 were highlighted. The award of Tranche 2B funding for Middle Drain (Tickhill) Catchment Improvements, and Kilham Farm to Candy Farm Catchment Improvements was noted, and that this work must be completed before 31st March 2026. Work at Newington Pumping Station was complete with the majority of the cost funded from the Flood Recovery money. Some pile painting remained and further civils work would be required in the future. This station was fully funded by the Mining Remediation Authority.

Regarding the weedscreen at Kilham Farm (2:4), it was noted that the Board had only one contractor available to undertake repairs at this time. The cost of the refurbishment and a new control system was £31,655.53 and would use most of the pumping station emergency repair budget for 2025/26.

Officers referred to Item 2:5 (Transfer of Budgets) and suggested that the underspent budgets listed be rolled over from 2024/25 to 2025/26.

The Finance Manager reported that the additional £150,000 Tranche 1 Flood Recovery money had been included in the Board's General Reserves but would now be allocated to the relevant budget for which the money had been allocated (see 2:5:2).

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Officers report be noted.
- (b) That an order be placed with AIM Electrical for the full refurbishment of the automatic weedscreen cleaner at Kilham Farm Pumping Station at a cost of £31,655.53, to be funded from the pumping station emergency repairs budget.
- (c) That balances remaining in the 2024/25 budget in respect of Asset Renewals, Drainage Investigations, Culvert CCTV and Desilting, Catchment Reviews, Barn Owl Boxes, Mink Control, and Emergency Pump Repairs (a total of £237,699.01) be rolled over the 2025/26 financial year.
- (d) That a total of £84,711.34 be moved from general reserves to Emergency Pump Repairs and £65,288.66 to Newington Pumping Station budgets.
- (e) That £6,033.28 be moved from general reserves to Low Ellers Pump Refurbishment.

2025.52 PLANNING, CONSENTING AND ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

(a) Planning Applications

Officers presented a report detailing ten planning applications where comments relating to surface water drainage had been made and updated on two large scale solar farm projects.

Mr M. Brooke expressed concern that the areas alongside Board maintained watercourses would not be maintained on the solar farms and the Board's access would be restricted, existing land drains would be neglected or done away with, and

the drainage of the area would be adversely affected, in particular Moor Edges. He had been informed that the solar farms were meeting with the internal drainage board regularly. Mr Brooke stated that agricultural land had been downgraded, with High Levels being classed as an ecological area as they said it flooded. Mr Brooke queried at what point the developer would have an indication of the impact on the Board's systems.

Mr N. Williams queried whether there was a change in the characteristic of run off and compaction of the ground. Mr C. Crowe stated that in his experience, the land on which solar farms stood was not maintained. The Chairman advised caution on entering into dialogue with the solar farms as this could be misconstrued as support; Officers continued to monitor applications and would ensure that comments relating to the surface water drainage were made as part of any planning process.

(b) Byelaw Consents

The following byelaw consents had been granted under delegated authority since the last meeting:

DEIDB/LDC/2025/002 Temporary increase in flow to the Board maintained Nettleholme Lane Drain during construction works, at Unity Connect Plot D, at national grid reference 466675 410961 in the parish of Hatfield.

DEIDB/LDC/2025/003 Temporary increase in flow to the Board maintained Wormley Bridge Drain, during construction works at Unity Connect Plot D, TJ Morris site at national grid references 466554 411444 and 466624 411196 in the parish of Hatfield.

DEIDB/LDC/2025/004 Discharge of surface water to the Board maintained Balby Drain from a new residential development at land off Sunningdale Way, Doncaster at national grid reference 456868 401203.

DEIDB/LDC/2025/006 Discharge of surface water and treated foul water via existing attenuation pond to the Board maintained Moor Drain (South), at land to the rear of Custom Made Kitchens Ltd, Coulman Road Industrial Estate at national grid reference 469545 414145 in the parish of Thorne.

One Section 23 consent had been issued for the installation of concrete canvas in a riparian watercourse at national grid reference 468786 403045 to the west of Candy Lane in the parish of Blaxton.

RESOLVED

That the Officers actions be approved.

(c) South Idle Drain (South) and North Thorn Bank Drain, Haxey

Application had been made by Yorkshire Water for the installation of a replacement water main within the road adjacent to the Board maintained South Idle Drain (South) and west towards Thorne, and drilling pits for the installation of a new main within the bank top of the Board maintained North Thorn Bank Drain.

There was concern about the proposed installation weakening the drain bank and the proximity of the drilling pits to the culverted North Thorn Bank Drain; trial pits would be dug to confirm the precise location of the culvert to ensure the proposed main was located a suitable distance away.

Mr R. Wilson was aware of slips that had been caused as a result of similar work undertaken elsewhere by YW and agreed to send details to Officers who would liaise with Officers regarding their repair.

RESOLVED

That Officers be given delegated authority to grant consent to Yorkshire Water (YW) for the installation of a water main and drilling pits within nine metres of the Board maintained South Idle (South) and North Thorn Bank Drains (as shown on the attached plan) subject to all works being carried out to the specification and satisfaction of the Board's Engineer, including, in particular, layered backfilling of the drilling pits and YW's agreement to make good any damage to the culvert and/or the banks of the watercourse, including the repair of any existing and future slips resulting from their work.

(d) Stainforth Drain, Stainforth

Landowners in the area had raised concerns about a potential contamination issue from material deposited on the Ashfield Tip site adjacent to Kirton Lane at Stainforth following remedial work to mitigate a landslide in 2023 which had blocked the railway line. Investigations of the site confirmed that a leachate was running off the material into the Board maintained Stainforth Drain and, further, that no vegetation was growing on the silt removed and deposited on the bank top during annual maintenance, giving concern that the leachate had toxic properties. These findings had been reported to the Environment Agency as the body responsible for pollution control. The Mining Remediation Authority had also been informed of the potential contamination.

The Senior Engineer confirmed that an update would be brought back to the September Board meeting. The Chief Executive expressed concern that if the pollution found its way to the pumping station, the Board could be seen as the polluter.

RESOLVED

- (a) That Officers contact the City of Doncaster Council to confirm whether they had any responsibility for the site.
- (b) That an update be presented to the September Board meeting.

2025.53 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The attached report was presented for information.

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2025.54 ENVIRONMENT AGENCY AND PARTNERSHIP MATTERS

Covered elsewhere during the meeting.

2025.55 STAFFING

Nothing to report.

2025.56 ELECTION

The Registers of Electors had been prepared for the seven electoral districts, in accordance with the Land Drainage Act 1991, the Land Drainage (Election of Drainage Boards) Regulations 1938 and the Land Drainage (Election of Internal Drainage Boards)(Amendment) Regulations 1977. A notice had been published on the Board's website giving 14 days for inspection of the Registers and 16 days for objection. No claims or objections had been received and members were asked to approve the Registers.

Nomination papers would be available from 10th September 2025 for return by 12 noon on Friday, 26th September 2025

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Registers of Electors be approved.
- (b) That the election date be set for 28th October 2025.
- (c) That the appointment of Carol Davies as Returning Officer and Amy Quirke as Deputy Returning Officer be confirmed.

2025.57 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

CHAIRMAN

FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION ONLY

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 9
	Subject: FINANCE	

1. Overview – Current Position

1:1:1 Current Cash / Bank Position – as at 31st March 2025

<i>Account name</i>	<i>Balance</i>	<i>Interest Rate %</i>
Lloyds Current Account	£889,833.78	0.00%
Lloyds Rating Account	(£17.00)	0.00%
Lloyds Interest Account	£362,693.61	0.50%
Total	£1,252,510.39	

1:1:2 Bank Account Interest Received

A Lloyds Commercial Instant Access Account was opened on 10th March 2025, offering 0.5% interest on balances. The account allows immediate access to funds deposited and for them to be transferred to the Current Account if needed.

Other interest-bearing accounts are currently being investigated with A Rated Bank and Building Societies to maximise funds.

1:1:3 Current Investments / holdings

<i>Account name</i>	<i>Invested Sum</i>	<i>Term End date</i>	<i>Interest on term end</i>	<i>Interest Rate</i>
Skipton B/soc Term Deposit	£250,000.00	6 th Sept 2025	£5,223.29	4.1%

1:1:4 Short Term Investment Interest Received

Interest received for the Skipton Building Society Term Deposit in the financial year totals £12,255.14. The sum invested remains at £250,000.

1:2:1 Current Loan Position – as at 31st March 2025

<i>31st March 2024 Balance</i>	<i>Period end Balance</i>	<i>Capital Repayments in Period</i>	<i>Interest Charge in period</i>
£267,183.73	£206,391.08	£60,792.65	£11,676.59

A breakdown of individual loan amounts and interest rates can be found on **Appendix 1**

1:3:1 Management Accounts: Actual vs Budgets Summary – as at 31st March 2025

<i>The accounts are prepared on an Accruals basis when income or expenditure is due rather than when cash is paid or received</i>	<i>Whole Year Budget for 2024/25 – As per Estimates approved Jan 2024</i>	<i>Variance – negative variance represents lower than expected position</i>	<i>Weighted Budgets</i>	<i>Actuals</i>
	£	£	£	£
Income	1,592,123	477,490.07	1,592,123.00	2,069,613.07
Own use of plant or labour on Schemes	0.00	798.42	0.00	798.42
Total Funds In	1,592,123	478,288.49	1,592,123.00	2,070,411.49
Maintenance costs for drains & PS etc	-792,886	10,793.87	-792,886.00	-782,092.13
Supportive Costs	-600,281	35,640.27	-600,281.00	-564,640.73
Balance sheet costs incl Assets & Loans	-60,793	-2,732.18	-60,793.00	-63,525.18
Board funding to schemes	-143,000	0.00	-143,000.00	-143,000.00
Total Funds Out	-1,596,960	43,701.96	-1,596,960.00	-1,553,258.04
Unplanned adjustment to / (from) Reserves to Schemes	0.00	-597,532.01	0.00	-597,532.01
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year / Period	-4,837	-75,541.56	-4,837.00	-80,378.56

The 2024/25 Estimates provided for a deficit of **-£4,837** which would be met from reserves. The Actual results, as shown in the table above, led to a deficit of **-£80,378.56** being achieved, a budget negative variance of **-£75,541.56**, mainly due to the receipt of the Flood Recovery Funding being transferred to schemes to meet historic & future expenditure.

A detailed version of the Budgetary Management Accounts, including notes, can be found on **Appendix 2**

1:3:2 Calculation of the Budget Variances

Where the Board receives income or incurs expenditure not included within the 24/25 Estimates, these sums will affect the Expected Surplus or (deficit) position for the year & in turn the funds to be met from or received into General Reserves.	1	Whole Year Budget for 2024/25 – As per Estimates approved Jan 2024	Estimated Position	Actual Position	Variance to budget – positive adds to reserves & improves the Board's position, (negative) worsens the position.
	2	£	£	£	£
Income	3	1,592,123			
• Agricultural Rates	4		122,369.00	122,005.16	(363.84)
• Rental, Wayleaves & grazing	5		211.00	210.54	(0.46)
• Income From PSCA (see box 31)	6		20,000.00	39,581.05	19,581.05
• Share of drains recharged	7		0.00	5,704.02	5,704.02
• Accrued income re costs to be recharged next year	8		0.00	4,324.71	4,324.71
• Recharges to Axholme	9		0.00	227.99	227.99
• Flood Recovery funds	10		0.00	416,498.73	416,498.73
• Consenting application fees	11		3,000.00	3,381.00	381.00
• Consenting advice income	12		0.00	662.50	662.50
• Surface water fees	13		30,000.00	13,155.32	(16,844.68)
• Contributions to PS costs	14		237,620.00	244,638.58	7,018.58
• Contributions to motor costs	15		6,810.00	6,401.82	(408.18)
• Contributions to DLO costs	16		18,166.00	18,479.80	313.80
• Admin fees on income	17		0.00	43,281.67	43,281.67
• Insurance receipts	18		0.00	2,733.58	2,733.58
• Other income	19		0.00	124.46	124.46
• Interest	20		18,000	12,255.14	(5,744.86)
Use of plant or labour on Schemes	21	0.00			
• Use of labour/plant within schemes	22		0.00	798.42	798.42
Total Funds In / Variance to budget	23	1,592,123			478,288.49
Maintenance costs for drains & PS etc	24	(792,886)			
• Drains Maintenance expenditure	25		393,254.00	381,659.18	11,594.82
• PS contractor/consult expenditure	26		61,368.00	61,279.03	88.97
• PS electric	27		238,170.00	209,941.38	28,228.62
• PS insurances & inspections	28		32,900.00	41,146.38	(8,246.38)
• PS Stocks	29		10,581.00	5,435.00	5,146.00
• PS Other costs	30		15,120.00	15,132.12	(12.12)
• PSCA Expenditure (see box 6)	31		20,000.00	39,581.05	(19,581.05)
• Recharge expenditure	32		0.00	5,440.69	(5,440.69)
• Consenting costs	33		21,493.00	22,477.30	(984.30)
Supportive Costs	34	(600,281)			
• DLO salary costs inc overtime	35		85,476.00	83,257.08	2,218.92
• DLO training, PPE & medicals	36		3,768.00	4,115.57	(347.57)
• Direct Costs – buyers fees & consumables	37		5,970.00	5,154.27	815.73
• Shared [REDACTED] costs	38		27,521.00	27,520.49	0.51
• Shared [REDACTED] costs	39		0.00	12,560.96	(12,560.96)
• Employee insurance costs	40		2,712.00	2,527.71	184.29

• Depot costs – renewals & premises	41		370.00	379.46	(9.46)
• Office, admin & adv costs	42		3,543.00	2,894.52	648.48
• Plant & vehicle running costs	43		11,390.00	10,827.39	562.61
• Non-motorised plant	44		200.00	42.83	157.17
• Consortium costs	45		186,316.00	141,646.50	44,669.50
• Small tools & equip hire	46		1,000.00	393.90	606.10
• IT costs	47		11,721.00	10,624.98	1,096.02
• Legal, HR & professional fees	48		11,550.00	13,744.76	(2,194.76)
• Board expenses	49		5,260.00	5,039.34	220.66
• ADA costs & other subscriptions	50		4,957.00	5,173.80	(216.80)
• Insurances	51		6,000.00	6,440.06	(440.06)
• Finance costs	52		13,447.00	13,165.02	281.98
• Bad debt costs	53		0.00	30.80	(30.80)
• Biodiversity & environmental	54		200.00	221.29	(21.29)
Balance sheet	55	(60,793)			
• Asset additions	56		0.00	5,850.91	(5,850.91)
• Asset disposals	57		0.00	-3,118.38	3,118.38
• Loan Capital Repayment	58		60,793.00	60,792.65	0.35
Board funding to schemes	59	(143,000)	143,000.00	143,000.00	0.00
Total Funds Out / Variance	60	(1,596,960)			43,701.96
Surplus / (deficit) / variance before unplanned transfers to schemes	61	(4,837)			521,990.45
Unplanned adjustment (to) / from Reserves to Schemes	62		0.00	597,532.01	(597,532.01)
Variance for Year	63				(75,541.56)
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	64	(4,837)			(80,378.56)

1:3:3 Explanation of material differences

- Income - Surface water fees – line 13 – reduction in the expected surface water fees of **£16,845**.
 - In the forthcoming estimates a more prudent figure will be estimated for as the timing of such income is outside of the Board's control and is determined by factors such as planning.
- Income – Flood Recovery Funds – line 10 – the Board received flood recovery funds from DEFRA relating to the historic costs and future costs associated with the wet winter of 23/24. This was not included in the Board's estimates and created additional funds in the general reserves of **£416,499**.
- Income - Admin fees on Income – line 17. Previously any admin fees remained within the scheme from which the income had been generated, these are now extracted and shown separately to offset the administration costs included within the Consortium costs, admin fees received: **£43,282**.
- Costs – Drains maintenance – line 25 – underspend **£11,595**; the estimated drain lengths to be flailed & weedcut was 293,261m and the Board incurred costs relating to 282,481m.
- Costs – Pumping Station electricity – line 27 – costs are lower than anticipated by **£28,229**. The electricity costs incurred in 24/25 are £209,941, as compared to the wet season of 23/24 where costs were £114,728 more at £324,670.
- Costs – Consortium & shared officer costs:
 - Shared [REDACTED] costs – line 39 – the cost was previously part of the consortium cost and this has now been extracted & shown separately, cost of **£12,561**.
 - Costs – Consortium costs – line 45 - the consortium recharge to the Boards was lower than anticipated as the chargeable time in the last two months was higher to budget bearing schemes, mainly relating to the Flood Recovery Schemes, which

reduced the costs to be shared amongst the consortium boards. The 24/25 budget for Consortium Costs was £186,316 and costs came in at £141,646.50, a saving of **£44,669.50**

- The offset of the consortium & shared staff costs still resulted in a saving of **£32,108.54**, representing 17.2% of the consortium cost budget.
- The consortium fees for 23/24 were £146,047.95.
- Costs – Transfers to schemes – line 62. In addition to the planned Board contribution from rating income of £143,000 (line 59) in 24/25, on receipt of the flood recovery funding the Board transferred to Schemes a further **£597,532.01** to cover historic costs and to allow for future funding of works across the Board's area.

1:4:1 Balance Sheet – as at 31st March 2025

A detailed version of the Balance Sheet can be found within the Agenda Item: Final Accounts & AGAR.

1:4:2 Fixed Asset Movements

<i>Asset description</i>	<i>Asset Cost</i>	<i>Incl in Estimates</i>	<i>Funds agreed to come from Plant Reserves</i>	<i>Variance. (Added) / Taken from General Reserves</i>
Stihl ST-FS461C Clearing Saw	£755.80	£0.00	£0.00	£ 755.80
Stihl AR3000L Backpack Battery	£1,250.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,250.00
Stihl MSA220 14" Chainsaw	£361.67	£0.00	£0.00	£ 361.67
Stihl HTA86 Pole Pruner shell	£487.50	£0.00	£0.00	£ 487.50
4 x Stihl AP300S Battery at £240 each	£912.00	£0.00	£0.00	£ 912.00
2 x Stihl AL500 Quick Charger at £112.51 each	£213.76	£0.00	£0.00	£ 213.76
Stihl HSA100 Hedgetrimmer & 1 x Stihl AR L Backpack	£408.54	£0.00	£0.00	£ 408.54
Stihl FSA135 Bushcutter	£474.17	£0.00	£0.00	£ 474.17
Makita 18V Combi drill & Impact Driver Twin Pack 4044R	£274.99	£0.00	£0.00	£ 274.99
Makita 18V SDS Drill 48570	£116.66	£0.00	£0.00	£ 116.66
Makita 18V 4 1/2" Grinder 997FV	£133.33	£0.00	£0.00	£ 133.33
Makita 18V 5Ah Battery 2721V	£54.16	£0.00	£0.00	£ 54.16
Stihl HLA 86 Cordless Hedge Trimmer	£408.33	£0.00	£0.00	£ 408.33
Total	£5,850.91	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£5,850.91
<i>Asset description</i>	<i>Asset Disposal Proceeds</i>	<i>Incl in Estimates</i>	<i>Funds agreed to return to Plant Reserves</i>	<i>Variance. (Added) / Taken from General Reserves</i>
Small tools stolen – insurance proceeds	£3,118.38	£0.00	£0.00	£3,118.38

1:4:3 Trade Debtors – at 31st March 2025

<i>Customer</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Debt risk included in Period Balance Total</i>	<i>Period Balance Total</i>	<i>31st March 2024 Balance</i>
			£378,004.04	£387,511.93
	Relates to debt between 03/2020 & 03/2024	£77,644.44	A further sum of £13,001.90 is due for the current year but we appear to be making headway with current year bills.	
	Relates to debt between 07/23 & 09/24	£51,524.13	A further sum of £21,038.87 is due for the current year	
	£660.41 relates to July/Aug 2024; £108,577.60 relates to Jan & Feb 2025.	£109,238.01	£660.41 relates to July/Aug 2024; £108,577.60 relates to Jan & Feb 2025.	
Total		£238,406.58		

1:4:4 Trade Creditors & Retentions – at 31st March 2025

<i>Supplier</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Credit balances of note included in period balance</i>	<i>Period Balance Total</i>	<i>31st March 2024 Balance</i>
			£476,445.44	£249,656.85
Trade Creditors		£473,609.32		
Supplier Retentions	Relates to Interlec	£2,836.12		
Total		£476,445.44		

1:5:1 Reserves – Plant Reserve – at 31st March 2025

Plant Reserve Balance at 1 st April 2024	£10,000.00
Planned addition to Plant Reserve in 2024/25 Estimates	£0.00
Planned use of Reserve for additions of new plant	-£0.00
Unplanned use of Reserve for additions of new plant	-£0.00
Remaining Balance in Plant reserve	£10,000.00

1:5:2 Reserves – Schemes Reserve – at 31st March 2025

Scheme Reserve Balance at 1 st April 2024	£489,023.22
Planned addition to Schemes from Rating Income in the 2024/25 Estimates	£143,000.00
Loan Funding received into Schemes in period	£0.00
Funding into the Schemes from External Sources – including grants & contributions	£109,938.40
Expenditure within Schemes in period	-£481,507.45
Unplanned Adjustments from / (to) General Reserves from Schemes in period (see 1:5:3 below)	£597,532.01
Remaining Balance in Scheme Reserves at period end	£857,986.18

1:5:3 Reserves – Schemes Reserve – Transfer of funds in year to 31st March 2025

Unplanned Adjustments from / (to) General Reserves from Schemes in period	Total
Transfers related to Flood Recovery Funds:	
Emergency pump repairs (DE24302)	£251,344.30
Flood recovery 2 nd tranche costs (DE24999)	£9,065.45
Newington PS refurbishment (DE20305)	£156,088.98
Subtotal	£416,498.73
Transfers not related to Flood Recovery Funds:	
Pumping Station Renewal Reserve (DE14001)	£175,000.00
Low Ellers pump refurbishment – Board share of costs (DE19305)	£6,033.28
Subtotal	£181,033.28
Total of unplanned transfers to schemes from general reserves	£597,532.01

1:5:4 Reserves – Schemes Reserve

A number of Schemes are currently overspent; however, these are expecting funds from Partners once legal agreements are completed.

Within the Remaining Balance of £857,986.18, the PS Renewal Reserve currently holds £350,000, which is earmarked for future use.

The funds held in the Schemes are earmarked for use by that scheme and only where there are transfers in or out of the schemes (as in 1:5:3 above) (from)/to General Reserves will it affect the Cash Surplus Reserve of the Board.

1:6:1 Surplus Cash Position at 31st March 2025

Surplus Cash Reserve Balance at 1 st April 2024	£564,246.69
Funds to be held for Plant Reserve at 1 st April 2024	£10,000.00
Funds to be held for Commuted Sum Reserve at 1 st April 2024	£75,774.68
Total Cash reserves at 1st of April 2024	£650,021.37
Expected Deficit position for the year to 31 st March 2025	–£4,837.00
Variance to Surplus / (deficit) position at 31st March 2025	–£75,541.56
General Reserves – “Total Cash Reserve” at 31st March 2025	£569,642.81
Funds held in Plant Reserve at 31 st March 2025	–£10,000.00
Funds held in Commuted Sums at 31 st March 2025	–£75,774.68
General Reserves – “Surplus Cash Position” at 31st March 2025	£483,868.13
Net operating costs for 2024/25 (costs less rating income)	£1,331,130.72
Surplus Cash as a % of 24/25 net operating costs – including trf to schemes	36.35%

1:6:2 **“Total Cash Reserve”** (as above £569,642.81) relates to the funds held within the bank accounts not dedicated to Schemes or needed for immediate use on paying the Board’s creditors.

Of these readily available monetary funds, we deduct any committed sums to other reserves such as the Plant Reserve or any Commuted Reserves or Capital Receipts Reserves to ascertain the "**Surplus Cash Position**".

It is the "**Surplus Cash Position**" (as above £483,868.13), that is available to the Board for use on unexpected or unbudgeted expenditure. It is this Reserve we aim to achieve a 30% balance based upon the net operating costs of the year.

Where the net operating costs increase in a period, the sum required to achieve a 30% surplus reserve also needs to increase.

1:6:3 The impact of the surplus cash position can be seen in the updated 5-year plan.

1:7

Recommendation:

- To approve the Budgetary Management Accounts for the year to 31st March 2025

2. Matters for Note

2:1 Financial Regulations

2.1:1 Financial Regulations and Delegated Authority

2:1:2 Due to the additional works involved in the Benchmarking review and the pressures of the accounts & audit year ends, the preparation of the Financial Regulations for the Board's consideration and approval have been delayed. The updated & amended policy will be brought back to the September Board meeting.

In light of the delay, the Board are asked to consider extending the temporary delegated authority, approved at the March Board meeting, to coincide with this. A note of the approved delegated authorities are detailed below.

2:1:3 Authority for Procurement and Expenditure on Goods & Services:

Chief Executive £50,000

Senior Engineer / Engineer to the Board £50,000

Senior Management Team Officers (Ops, Finance & Corporate Services) £10,000

Operations Managers £10,000

Engineering Team officers: Civils Project Engineer, Resident Engineer, Project Support Lead £10,000

Recommendation:

- To approve the extension of the approved temporary delegated authorities to end of September 2025.

2:2 Payments over £500

A schedule of payments over £500 made by the Board since the last meeting is attached for approval at **Appendix 3**.

Recommendation:

- To approve the schedule of payments.

Mrs N. Hind FCCA
Finance Manager

Appendix 1

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

<i>Loan Number</i>	<i>Original Loan amount</i>	<i>Year of Loan</i>	<i>Term of Loan in Years</i>	<i>Interest Rate</i>	<i>Balance outstanding</i>
501518	£230,000.00	2002	25	4.75%	£36,872.02
501506	£84,154.00	2003	25	4.65%	£18,307.81
501507	£52,119.00	2003	25	4.65%	£11,338.64
501508	£58,368.00	2003	25	5.25%	£15,046.30
501519	£116,000.00	2003	25	4.85%	£25,653.99
501520	£43,535.00	2005	25	4.45%	£14,028.02
501514	£138,106.74	2010	18	4.86%	£55,394.97
501517	£227,543.39	2011	14	3.83%	£29,749.33
Total					£206,391.08

Appendix 2

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Variance to Estimates Report - For the 12 months to 31st March 2025

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.03.25 Variance	31.03.25 Estimate	31.03.25 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	122,369.00	(363.84)	122,369.00	122,005.16	
Special levies	1,128,747.00	0.00	1,128,747.00	1,128,747.00	
Rental, wayleaves & grazing income	211.00	(0.46)	211.00	210.54	Rental £100; Wayleaves £110.54
Income from PSCAs	20,000.00	19,581.05	20,000.00	39,581.05	Weedcutting works for the EA
Income from rechargeable works	0.00	10,256.72	0.00	10,256.72	Drains maintenance charges to CA £4,588.04. Labour costs recharged to IDANN £227.99. Accrued income to be recharged on completion of Legal Agreement re First Point & Huxterwell £4,324.71
Income from recharge of disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Flood Recovery Funds – Income to match to historic costs	0.00	416,498.73	0.00	416,498.73	Full amount of Tranche 1 & 1B Funds
Income from consenting	33,000.00	(15,801.18)	33,000.00	17,198.82	Includes Surface Water Contributions of £13,155.32, Consent application fees £3,381 & Consent engineers time £662.50
Contributions to PS expenditure	237,620.00	7,018.58	237,620.00	244,638.58	Directly relateable to PS costs, the higher the costs the higher the contributions
Contributions to other costs	32,176.00	(94.38)	32,176.00	32,081.62	Contribution towards Vehicle running costs £6,401.82 plus rental to CA £7,200. Contributions to DLO shared with IOA £18,479.80
Deferred income, commuted sums & contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other income	0.00	46,139.71	0.00	46,139.71	Admin fee on Scheme & PS Contributions of £43,281.67. Ins claim for break ins £2,733.58. VAT repayment supplement £24.46. Summons Receipts £850.00. Return of Apprentice income -£750.00.
Investment interest	18,000.00	(5,744.86)	18,000.00	12,255.14	Interest received from Skipton Building Society
TOTAL INCOME - not including absorption income	1,592,123.00	477,490.07	1,592,123.00	2,069,613.07	
Absorption Income - offset to costs					
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
Own use of labour recharged (absorption) to Schemes	0.00	798.42	0.00	798.42	Use of own DLO labour within schemes improves the General Surplus Cash Position of the Board.
TOTAL INCOME - including absorption income in schemes	1,592,123.00	478,288.49	1,592,123.00	2,070,411.49	

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Variance to Estimates Report - For the 12 months to 31st March 2025

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.03.25 Variance	31.03.25 Estimate	31.03.25 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	393,254.00	11,594.82	393,254.00	381,659.18	Materials £4,061.65 under budget; Contractor/Consultant costs £7,533.17 under.
Pumping station expenditure	358,139.00	25,205.09	358,139.00	332,933.91	Stocks/Materials £5,146 under budget. Contractors/consultants £88.97 under budget. Electric £28,228.62 under budget. Annual insurance & inspections £8,246.38 over budget.
PSCA Recharge expenditure	20,000.00	(19,581.05)	20,000.00	39,581.05	Contractor costs
Recharge expenditure	0.00	(5,440.69)	0.00	5,440.69	
Consenting time expenditure	21,493.00	(984.30)	21,493.00	22,477.30	Consultants/Engineers time on consenting
Disbursement Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Cost of goods sold & stock variances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE	792,886.00	10,793.87	792,886.00	782,092.13	
SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE					
DLO costs	89,244.00	1,871.35	89,244.00	87,372.65	Overtime £1.5k under budget
Other direct expenses	5,970.00	815.73	5,970.00	5,154.27	Consumables £126.27 over budget. Woldmarsh buyer's fees £942.00 under budget
Environment Agency precept	218,880.00	0.00	218,880.00	218,880.00	
Support & establishment costs	272,540.00	32,723.30	272,540.00	239,816.70	Staff costs £12.5k over budget due to rating officer costs; Consortium fees £44.6k lower than estimate. Legal & Professional fees £2.2k over budget. IT costs £1k under budget.
Finance costs	13,447.00	281.98	13,447.00	13,165.02	Bank charges £351 under budget
Depreciation costs	0.00	(53,896.41)	0.00	53,896.41	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
Bad debt costs	0.00	(30.80)	0.00	30.80	Rates written off 2024/25 £27.30; Court Summons Costs £3.50
Biodiversity & environmental costs	200.00	(21.29)	200.00	221.29	Environmental Officers time
TOTAL SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE	600,281.00	(18,256.14)	600,281.00	618,537.14	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,393,167.00	(7,462.27)	1,393,167.00	1,400,629.27	
	198,956.00	470,826.22	198,956.00	669,782.22	
EXCEPTIONAL INCOME	0.00	1,671.42	0.00	1,671.42	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	198,956.00	472,497.64	198,956.00	671,453.64	

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD
Variance to Estimates Report

	Whole Yr Estimate	31.03.25 Variance	31.03.25 Estimate	31.03.25 Actual	
INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	198,956.00	472,497.64	198,956.00	671,453.64	
ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON MONETARY ITEMS					
Remove the effects of Depreciation costs	0.00	53,896.41	0.00	53,896.41	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
Remove the effects of Profit on Disposal - exception income	0.00	(1,671.42)	0.00	(1,671.42)	This is a non-monetary accounting adjustment
	198,956.00	524,722.63	198,956.00	723,678.63	
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					There are NO budget plant / vehicle additions in the 24/25 year
Motor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Plant additions					
1 x Stihl ST-FS461C Clearing Saw		755.80	0.00	755.80	23/08/2024
1 x Stihl AR3000L Backpack Battery		1,250.00	0.00	1,250.00	10/10/2024
1 x Stihl MSA220 14" Chainsaw		361.67	0.00	361.67	10/10/2024
1 x Stihl HTA86 Pole Pruner shell		487.50	0.00	487.50	10/10/2024
4 x Stihl AP300S Battery at £240 each		912.00	0.00	912.00	10/10/2024
2 x Stihl AL500 Quick Charger at £112.51 each		213.76	0.00	213.76	10/10/2024
1 x Stihl HSA100 Hedgetrimmer & 1 x Stihl AR L Backpack		408.54	0.00	408.54	11/10/2024
1 x Stihl FSA135 Bushcutter		474.17	0.00	474.17	15/10/2024
1 x Makita 18V Combi drill & Impact Driver Twin Pack 4044R		274.99	0.00	274.99	30/10/2024
1 x Makita 18V SDS Drill 48570		116.66	0.00	116.66	30/10/2024
1 x Makita 18V 4 1/2" Grinder 997FV		133.33	0.00	133.33	30/10/2024
1 x Makita 18V 5Ah Battery 2721V		54.16	0.00	54.16	30/10/2024
1 x Stihl HLA86 Cordless Hedge Trimmer		408.33	0.00	408.33	04/11/2024
	0.00	5,850.91	0.00	5,850.91	
Plant disposals					
Stihl FSH 130 Pro cordless strimmer body and AL500 pro quick charger					
Stihl Polesaw body					
Stihl Polesaw body					
Stihl Battery pack & adaptor & cable					
Husqvarna 520RX Battery Brushcutter x1		(3,118.38)		(3,118.38)	21/10/2024
Husqvarna QC500 Superfast 500w Charger for Brushcutter					
Husqvarna BLI550X Backpack Battery for Brushcutter					
Stihl 1251 200 0145 MSA220 Chainsaw & Stihl 4850 400 6580 Battery 1 chainsaw with battery					
	0.00	(3,118.38)	0.00	(3,118.38)	
Loan Capital Adjustment					
PWLB Loan repayments - Existing	60,793.00	(0.35)	60,793.00	60,792.65	
PWLB Loan repayments - Future	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	60,793.00	(0.35)	60,793.00	60,792.65	
Non I&E (Costs) & Income	60,793.00	2,732.18	60,793.00	63,525.18	
Variance at 31/03/2025	138,163.00	521,990.45	138,163.00	660,153.45	
Planned Board Funding towards schemes	(143,000.00)	0.00	(143,000.00)	(143,000.00)	
Surplus/(deficit) to be taken from General Reserves as at 31st March 2025	(4,837.00)	521,990.45	(4,837.00)	517,153.45	
See Transfer of Budgets:					
Additional Funds Required for Engineering Schemes to be taken from General Reserves	0.00	(597,532.01)	0.00	(597,532.01)	
Engineering Scheme funds transferred back to General Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Variance at 31/03/2025	(4,837.00)	(75,541.56)	(4,837.00)	(80,378.56)	

Appendix 3

Schedule of payments over £500 submitted to the Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board meeting for approval on 27th June 2025

Trans Date	Account	Narrative	Payment Value £	Notes
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	506.60	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	530.58	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	541.67	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	750.85	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	831.92	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	868.92	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,381.09	Pumping Station Electricity
07/03/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,395.57	Pumping Station Electricity
10/03/2025	Pension Fund	NEST	542.90	
13/03/2025	P.A.Y.E.	PAYE Month 11	1,641.59	
13/03/2025	Wilkin Chapman llp	PP/MLK001	1,934.20	
21/03/2025	Colwill Contracting Ltd	PP/COLW001	43,589.57	Weedcutting contract
27/03/2025	Net Wages	Wages	4,244.06	
28/03/2025	D J Clearing Ltd	PP/DJCL001	1,440.00	Removal of fly tipping waste at Low Bank Drain
28/03/2025	Eco-Power Construction Group	PP/ECOP001	915.19	
28/03/2025	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	3,525.56	Shared employee and other recharges Feb 25
28/03/2025	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	34,397.10	Engineers, Consenting, Consortium & Disbursement recharges Feb 25
31/03/2025	Pension Fund	NEST	556.42	
31/03/2025	Wotmix	PP/WOTB001	1,410.00	Slabs and lifting clutches for Cuckoo Lane PS
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,107.84	Pumping Station Electricity
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,297.51	Pumping Station Electricity
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,576.46	Pumping Station Electricity
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	2,373.58	Pumping Station Electricity
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	3,031.73	Pumping Station Electricity
03/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	3,328.22	Pumping Station Electricity
04/04/2025	P.A.Y.E.	PAYE Month 12	1,698.28	
07/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	627.59	Pumping Station Electricity
07/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	863.63	Pumping Station Electricity
07/04/2025	Total Energies	PP/TOTG001	1,214.41	Pumping Station Electricity
09/04/2025	Colwill Contracting Ltd	PP/COLW001	23,454.00	Tree and bushing works on various drains
09/04/2025	Onsite Central Limited	PP/ONSI001	3,660.00	Portadam at Cadmans Pumping Station
09/04/2025	Queenscope Enterprises Ltd T/A Robin Ward 4x4	PP/QUEE001	36,600.00	Toyota Hilux truck
24/04/2025	Net Wages	Wages Week 3	4,324.31	
24/04/2025	ADC East Anglia Ltd	PP/ADCE001	2,610.00	
24/04/2025	Colwill Contracting Ltd	PP/COLW001	38,768.54	Various contract works on drains
24/04/2025	Eco-Power Construction Group	PP/ECOP001	2,647.50	
24/04/2025	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	845.00	Disbursement recharges Mar 25
24/04/2025	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	11,970.37	Engineers, Consenting, & Disbursement recharges Mar 25
24/04/2025	North Lincs Engineering Ltd	PP/NLEN001	32,445.30	Refurbishment of pump no.1 at Park Drain PS

24/04/2025	Sunbelt Rentals Limited	PP/SUN001	723.60	
24/04/2025	Torishima Service Solutions Europe Ltd	PP/TORI001	100,195.92	Supply of 2 new pumps at 4 pumping stations
24/04/2025	Wilkin Chapman llp	PP/WILK001	1,476.00	
29/04/2025	Pension Fund	NEST Week 3	578.91	
09/05/2025	P.A.Y.E.	PAYE Month 1	2,020.07	
12/05/2025	Association of Drainage Authorities	PP/ADAU001	6,099.60	Member renewal subscriptions 2025
12/05/2025	Colwill Contracting Ltd	PP/COLW001	8,721.21	Toe board piling at Westmoor East Drain
12/05/2025	Dawson & Burgess Solicitors	PP/DAWB001	3,466.00	Professional charges regarding First Point Business Park
12/05/2025	Isle of Axholme & North Nottinghamshire WLMB	PP/IOAN001	4,041.51	Shared employee and standby Mar 24
12/05/2025	Lighthouse UK Consultancy Ltd	PP/LIGH001	1,449.00	Internal audit work 2024/25
12/05/2025	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	20,779.48	Consortium & shared employee recharge Mar 25
12/05/2025	Schneider Electric Systems UK Limited	PP/SCHN001	4,512.64	Telemetry Support April-June 25
12/05/2025	Shakespeare Martineau LLP	PP/SHAK001	1,842.00	
12/05/2025	Sunbelt Rentals Limited	PP/SUN001	1,575.00	Portaloo stolen at Torme Bridge PS Contract for new control panel at Newington PS & Seven Arches PS and weedscreen repairs at Huxterwell PS
16/05/2025	Inter-Lec Ltd	PP/INTL001	87,786.00	
22/05/2025	Net Wages	Wages Week 7	4,396.72	
30/05/2025	BH Construction Co. Ltd.	PP/BHCO001	989.28	
30/05/2025	DXB Integrate Limited	PP/DXBP001	1,431.96	
30/05/2025	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	PP/LMDB001	3,601.32	Boards share of asset management system
30/05/2025	Northern Powergrid	PP/NORT003	4,157.35	
Total			535,291.63	

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

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 10
	Subject: FIVE-YEAR PLAN	
Meeting: Board Meeting		
Date: 27th June 2025		
Recommendations:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">To receive the report for the updated Five-Year Plan		

1. Estimate Position – 5-year plan – following 24/25 Update

1.1 Results for the year to 31st March 2025 - Overview

The 2024/25 Estimates provided for a deficit of **-£4,837** which would be met from reserves. The Actual results, as shown in the following table, led to a deficit of **-£80,378.56** being achieved, a budget negative variance of **-£75,541.56**, mainly due to the receipt of the Flood Recovery Funding being transferred to schemes to meet historic & future expenditure.

This deficit was met from the Board's reserves. The impact of the increased deficit is the potential need to increase the rate in the 26/27 year estimates to ensure the Board retain a sufficient surplus cash reserve.

1.2 Five Year Plan updated for 24/25 results

	¹	Actuals 2024/25	Estimates 2025/26	Estimates 2026/27	Estimates 2027/28	Estimates 2028/29	Estimates 2029/30
	²	£	£	£	£	£	£
Board Contribution to Schemes – Planned & Unplanned	³	740,532.01	143,000	111,000	108,000	124,000	158,000
Balance Sheet expenditure:	⁴						
• Plant renewals	⁵	2,732.53	26,000	25,000	0	0	0
• Plant reserve funds	⁶	0.00	-5,000	0	5,000	5,000	5,000
• Loan Capital Repayment	⁷	60,792.65	63,556	58,285	49,107	53,737	49,993
B/S Expenditure Total	⁸	63,525.18	84,556	83,285	54,107	58,737	54,993
Activity Expenditure:	⁹						
• Pumping Station	¹⁰	332,933.91	403,861	413,958	424,306	434,913	445,786
• Drains Maintenance	¹¹	381,659.18	403,535	411,606	419,838	428,236	436,801
• PSCA costs	¹²	39,581.05	42,609	42,609	42,609	42,609	42,609
• Recharge costs	¹³	5,440.69	0	0	0	0	0
• Disbursement costs	¹⁴	0.00	0	0	0	0	0
• Consenting Costs	¹⁵	22,477.30	15,350	15,734	16,127	16,530	16,943
Activity Expenditure Total	¹⁶	782,092.13	865,355	883,907	902,880	922,288	942,139
Supportive Expenditure:	¹⁷						
• DLO Wages	¹⁸	83,257.08	93,465	95,802	98,198	100,654	103,171
• DLO costs inc	¹⁹	4,115.57	1,920	1,969	2,019	2,070	2,122

<i>training</i>							
• Plant / vehicle running costs	20	10,827.39	13,040	13,367	13,701	14,042	14,393
• Establishment costs	21	229,241.40	280,763	291,578	299,529	328,942	332,804
• Staff costs	22	0.00	0	0	0	0	0
• Finance costs	23	1,488.43	1,814	1,859	1,905	1,953	2,002
• Loan Interest costs	24	11,676.59	8,914	10,044	18,224	46,744	53,281
• Other costs	25	5,154.27	5,667	5,695	5,723	5,752	5,781
• EA Precept	26	218,880.00	218,880	218,880	218,880	218,880	218,880
Support Expenditure Total	27	564,640.73	624,463	639,194	658,179	719,037	732,434
Total expenditure	28	2,150,790.05	1,717,374	1,717,386	1,723,166	1,824,062	1,887,566
Income:	29						
• Other income	30	-58,605.39	-39,816	-40,549	-41,299	-42,067	-42,852
• Flood funding	31	-416,498.73	0	0	0	0	0
• PSCA income	32	-39,581.05	-49,000	-49,000	-49,000	-49,000	-49,000
• Recharge income	33	-28,736.52	-20,705	-21,223	-21,754	-22,298	-22,855
• Consenting income	34	-17,198.82	-12,500	-12,500	-12,500	-12,500	-12,500
• Contributions PS	35	-244,638.58	-266,053	-272,704	-279,522	-286,510	-293,673
• Contributions motor	36	-13,601.82	-14,970	-15,166	-15,364	-15,568	-15,778
• DLO & Plant absorption	37	-798.42	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0
Income Total	38	-819,659.33	-403,044	-411,142	-419,439	-427,943	-436,658
Expenditure less Income – to be funded from rates/levy	39	1,331,130.72	1,314,330	1,306,244	1,303,727	1,396,119	1,450,908
Rates & Levy Income:	40						
<i>Estimated % increase on prior year – January plan:</i>	41	3.5%	1%	1%	1%	5.75%	5.75%
New % increase on prior year of:	42	3.5%	1%	1.75%	1.75%	5.5%	5.5%
Using a rate of:	43	7.550p	7.626p	7.702p	7.779p	8.362p	8.989p
• Agricultural Rates	44	-122,005.16	-123,288	-125,440	-127,638	-134,655	-142,059
• Special Levy	45	-1,128,747.00	-1,145,882	-1,165,867	-1,186,302	-1,251,515	-1,320,334
Total Rates & Levy	46	-1,250,752.16	-1,269,170	-1,291,307	-1,313,940	-1,386,170	-1,462,393
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	47	-80,378.56	-45,160	-14,937	10,213	-9,949	11,485
Surplus Cash Reserve:	48						
Total Cash reserves at 1 st of April	49	650,021.37	569,643	524,483	509,546	524,759	519,810
Plant reserve additions cash held	50				5,000	5,000	5,000
Net Surplus / (deficit) in year	51	-80,378.56	-45,160	-14,937	10,213	-9,949	11,485

Forecasted Total Cash Reserve at 31st March	52	569,642.81	524,483	509,546	524,759	519,810	536,295
Reserved Funds:	53						
• Plant Reserve	54	-10,000.00	-5,000	-5,000	-10,000	-15,000	-20,000
• Other Reserves	55	-75,774.68	-75,775	-75,775	-75,775	-75,775	-75,775
Forecasted Surplus Cash Position at 1st April	56	483,868.13	443,708	428,771	438,984	429,035	440,520
Surplus Cash Position as a % of Net Expenditure (line 38)	57	36.35%	33.76%	32.82%	33.67%	30.73%	30.36%

1.3 Five Year Plan updated for 24/25 results

The Five-Year Plan approved at the January 2025 Board Meeting, accepted an increase in 2025/26 of 1% which would result in a deficit of **£45,160**.

It was accepted that this deficit would reduce the Board's surplus cash to **£559,578** which represented **42.58%** of the forecasted net operating costs for that year. It is the Board's policy to hold 30% reserves.

Whilst the Five-year plan allowed for a 1% increase (line 41) in 2026/27 rising to a 5.75% in 28/29 this would result in a surplus cash position well above the policy 30%, at 35-40%.

The results for 2024/25 and the overall increase in costs has decreased those surplus cash reserves and therefore the expected rate increases may require a slightly higher increase from 26/27 to maintain a 30% reserve, as shown at line 42.

1.4 Future review

The above 5-year plan update is only in respect of the impact of the 24/25 results on the surplus cash position, it is not a review of further expenditure or income.

In Autumn 2025 the costs / income / schemes / plant adjustments included in the 5-year plan are again reviewed and amended prior to the presentation to the Board of the draft 2026/27 estimates in November 2025.

2 The Effects of the Proposed Rate Increases

2.1 Five Year Plan – Forecasted Rateable Income

	1	Actuals 2024/25	Estimates 2025/26	Estimates 2026/27	Estimates 2027/28	Estimates 2028/29	Estimates 2029/30
	2	£	£	£	£	£	£
	3						
New % increase on prior year of:	4	3.5%	1%	1.75%	1.75%	5.5%	5.5%
Agricultural rates Income:	5						
Rate payers	6	122,005.16	123,288	125,440	127,638	134,655	142,059
Increase on Last year rates	7	3,680.76	1,283	2,152	2,198	7,017	7,404
Special Levy	8						

Councils:							
Doncaster Council	⁹	1,092,040	1,108,700	1,128,037	1,147,809	1,210,906	1,277,492
• Increase on last year	¹⁰	51,731	16,660	19,337	19,772	63,097	66,586
North Lincs	¹¹	20,521	20,832	21,195	21,567	22,752	24,003
• Increase on last year	¹²	719	311	363	372	1,185	1,251
Bassetlaw DC	¹³	16,186	16,350	16,635	16,926	17,857	18,839
• Increase on last year	¹⁴	545	164	285	291	931	982
Total Special Levy Income	¹⁵	1,128,747	1,145,882	1,165,867	1,186,302	1,251,515	1,320,334
Increase in special levy from last year	¹⁶	52,995	17,135	19,985	20,435	65,213	68,819
Rateable Income:	¹⁷						
Total Rates & Levy Income	¹⁸	1,250,752.16	1,269,170	1,291,307	1,313,940	1,386,170	1,462,393
Increase in Income to the Board on last year	¹⁹	56,675.76	18,418	22,137	22,633	72,230	76,223

2.2 Increase in Rates – 1%

As a note, a 1% increase in the 2024/25 rate represented an increase in the Board's income of £18,054:

- Agricultural rates £919
- Special Levy £17,135

2.3 Annual Value of Land

Where land moves from Agricultural land to Special Levy land the Annual Values on which the council pay their Special Levy will increase, this movement of land is dependent on the granting of planning permission by the applicable council and is outside the control of the Board.

Any increase in Special Levy payable by the Council will be offset by their receipt of domestic or business rates on the applicable land.

3.1 Tranche 2B Flood Recovery Funds

For 2025/26 the Board have been informed that their application for Tranche 2 B funding for works at Kilham Farm to Candy Farm Catchment Improvements has been successful and will be funded to £429,679, where the costs/work must be completed by 31st March 2026.

These funds have not been presented within the updated above 5-year plan. As the Board uses outside contractors this sum is unlikely to improve the Board's overall cash position, but the funding is a welcome contribution to improve the Board's area.

FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION ONLY

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 11
	Subject: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & AGAR	

1. Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2025

- 1:1 The Final accounts for the year ending 31st March 2025 are attached for consideration and approval, including schedule of Income and Expenditure, Balance sheet and Schedule of Reserves.
- 1:2 Whilst the Variance report illustrates the income and costs to the budgets, the attached accounts illustrate the income and expenditure and a comparison to last year's accounting figures.



DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

**UNAUDITED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL 2024 TO 31ST MARCH 2025



DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

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Narrative Statement

Annual Report

About the Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

The Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board (DEIDB) is an independent body created under Land Drainage Statutes responsible for flood defence, drainage and water level management works, other than on main rivers, in a defined geographical area. The Board includes those elected by and representing the occupiers of land in the area and members nominated by the local authorities of Doncaster City Council.

The Board secures income mainly from drainage levies on farmers and other occupiers, and from special levies on local authorities. The Board also pays levies to the Environment Agency to fund works on main rivers within the Board's area.

The Board is administered by the Water Management Consortium, a 4 Board Consortium comprising Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board, Isle of Axholme & North Notts WLMB and Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board. The administration address is:

Wellington House
Manby Park
Manby
Louth
Lincolnshire
LN11 8UU

The Board consists of 7 elected members and 8 nominated members.

Elected Members:

Mr M Brooke
Mr P Cornish
Mr I Dixon
Mr R Durdy
Mr R Hopkins
Mr N Williams
Mr R Wilson

Appointed by City of Doncaster Council

Mr C McGuiness (Chairman)
Mr P Horne (Vice-Chairman)
Mr C Crowe
Mr M Houlbrook
Ms H Norford
Mr M Oldknow
Mr A Porter
1 vacancy



This document is the Statement of Accounts of DEIDB for the financial year ended 31st March 2025. The accounts consist of:

The Statement of Responsibilities

This statement identifies the officer who is responsible for the proper administration of the Board's financial affairs.

The Income and Expenditure Account

This statement shows the gross expenditure, income and net expenditure on the major activities the Board is responsible for and compares that cost with the finance provided by Agricultural drainage rates and Special Levies.

The Balance Sheet

This statement is fundamental to the understanding of the Board's financial position at the year end. It shows the balances and reserves at the Board's disposal, the fixed and net current assets employed in its operation, together with summarised information of the fixed assets held. This statement also includes the assets and liabilities of the Board.

The Statement of Movement on Reserves

This statement shows the changes in reserves during the reporting period.

The Statement of Accounting Policies

This statement details the legislation and source of accounting principles on which the financial statements are prepared.

Summary of Financial Performance

The Board's financial position improved during the year as follows:

- 1 **Deficit / Surplus:** The Income & Expenditure Statement shows the expenditure and income relevant to both the engineering schemes and also the general maintenance and support costs of the Board. The Income & Expenditure Statement includes costs that are non-monetary and are accounting adjustments, such as depreciation & profit/loss on disposal of assets, that do not represent cash leaving the Board. The general maintenance & support income/expenditure resulted in a surplus of **£671,453.64** whilst the engineering schemes income/expenditure resulted in a deficit of **£371,569.05**. As the Board earmarks the funds to be allocated to schemes, the timing of the income received and its associated expenditure may indeed fall into different accounting periods. The Statement of Reserves shows the funds remaining in schemes as at the 31st March 2025.
- 2 **Deficit / Surplus:** In addition to the expenditure represented in the Income & Expenditure Statement the Board also incurs costs that are represented in the Balance Sheet values, such as fixed asset additions / disposals and also capital loan repayments. When the Board prepares the annual Estimates of Income and Expenditure these Balance sheet costs must also be included to ensure the Board has sufficient monetary funds to pay such costs.



- 3 **Deficit / Surplus:** The approved 2024/25 Estimates expected a deficit position for the year of **£4,837**; with any deficit being met from General Reserves. During the year the Board experienced increased income relating to flood recovery funds received of £416,499 along with decreased costs relating to consortium costs and pumping station electricity, these positive outturn funds were transferred to schemes to cover historic & future costs, with the overall outturn resulting in a deficit of **£80,379**, being met from general reserves.
- 4 **Fixed Assets:** During the year the Board replaced a number of small tools that were stolen at a cost of £5,850.91.
- 5 **Funding:** The Boards expenditure is mainly funded by cash from ratepayers and levies on local Councils. The Board also holds a number of cash reserves. External funding is sought on Schemes from the RFCC and DEFRA.

Five Year Capital Works Programme

As reported and approved by the Board in January of each year, full details of the 5 year capital works programme along with a copy of the full estimates for income and expenditure of the Board, can be requested from the office. These estimates underline the importance of having adequate reserves and detail the funding sources which includes long term debt, flood defence grant in aid and third party contributions.



Statement of Responsibilities for the Statement of Accounts

The Board is required:

- 1 To make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this Board that officer is the Responsible Financial Officer.
- 2 To manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets.
- 3 Approve the Statement of Accounts.

The Responsible Financial Officer's responsibilities:

The Responsible Financial Officer is responsible for the Board's Statement of Accounts which is required to present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Board at the accounting date, and its Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2025.

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Responsible Financial Officer has:

- 1 selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- 2 made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent;
- 3 has completed this Statement of Accounts in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, which all Category 2 Authorities are required to do. This Board is a Category 2 Authority
- 4 applied the accounting concept of a going concern by assuming the IDB will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

The Responsible Financial Officer has:

- 1 kept proper accounting records which were up to date;
- 2 taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Certificate of the Responsible Financial Officer:

This Statement of Accounts forms the basis for the Board's Annual return (AGAR) and it is that upon which the Auditor will form an opinion. It provides a true and fair view of the financial position of the Board at 31st March 2025 and its Income and Expenditure for the year then ended.

Name: Nicola Hind FCCA
Designation: Financial Reporting Officer Date: 5th June 2025

Certificate of the Chairman of the Board:

I confirm that the Financial Statements were approved by the Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board at a meeting held on the 27th June 2025

Name: Chris McGuinness
Designation: Chairman Date: 27th June 2025

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Income & Expenditure Account

All Values are shown in

Pound Sterling

	Notes	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
		Annual Maintenance Income & Expenditure account - General reserves	Scheme Income & Expenditure account - Scheme reserves	Total	Annual Maintenance Income & Expenditure account - General reserves	Scheme Income & Expenditure account - Scheme reserves
INCOME						
Agricultural drainage rates		122,005.16		122,005.16	118,324.40	118,324.40
Special levies		1,128,747.00		1,128,747.00	1,075,752.00	1,075,752.00
Rental, wayleaves & grazing income		210.54		210.54	210.54	210.54
Income from PSCAs	3	39,581.05		39,581.05	35,270.27	35,270.27
Income from rechargeable works	4	10,256.72		10,256.72	8,413.61	8,413.61
Income from consenting	5	17,198.82		17,198.82	56,081.97	56,081.97
Income from disbursements	6	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions - non engineering schemes	7	32,081.82		32,081.82	24,132.62	24,132.62
Contributions to PS costs	8	244,638.58		244,638.58	330,410.09	330,410.09
Flood Recovery funds	26	416,498.73		416,498.73	0.00	0.00
Other income	9	46,139.71		46,139.71	14,804.30	14,804.30
Investment income		12,255.14		12,255.14	0.00	0.00
Scheme Income - Grants	28		0.00	0.00		0.00
Scheme Income - Contributions	29		109,938.40	109,938.40		60,131.91
Scheme Income - Deferred income & commuted sums	30		0.00	0.00		0.00
Own use of plant & labour recharged (absorption)	10	51,753.41		51,753.41	45,290.79	45,290.79
TOTAL INCOME		2,121,366.48	109,938.40	2,231,304.88	1,708,670.59	1,768,802.50
MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE						
Engineering scheme expenditure	31		481,507.45	481,507.45		80,844.81
Drain maintenance expenditure	11	387,937.01		387,937.01	356,878.98	356,878.98
Pumping station expenditure	12	377,382.29		377,382.29	503,600.47	503,600.47
PSCA expenditure	3	39,581.05		39,581.05	30,689.80	30,689.80
Recharge works expenditure	4	5,669.47		5,669.47	5,786.36	5,786.36
Consenting costs	5	22,477.30		22,477.30	15,682.93	15,682.93
Disbursement costs	6	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of goods sold & stock variances		0.00		0.00	(0.02)	(0.02)
TOTAL MAINTENANCE & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE		833,047.12	481,507.45	1,314,554.57	912,600.52	993,445.33
SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE						
DLO costs	13	87,372.65		87,372.65	66,888.96	66,888.96
Other direct expenses	14	5,154.27		5,154.27	7,385.64	7,385.64
Environment Agency precept		218,880.00		218,880.00	218,880.00	218,880.00
Support & establishment costs	15	239,816.70		239,816.70	215,124.15	215,124.15
Finance costs	16	13,185.02		13,185.02	16,128.42	16,128.42
Depreciation costs	17	53,896.41		53,896.41	56,528.02	56,528.02
Bad debt costs		30.80		30.80	18.41	18.41
Biodiversity & environmental costs		221.29		221.29	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SUPPORTIVE EXPENDITURE		618,537.14	0.00	618,537.14	580,953.60	580,953.60
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		1,451,584.26	481,507.45	1,933,091.71	1,493,554.12	1,574,398.93
EXCEPTIONAL INCOME	18	669,782.22	(371,569.05)	298,213.17	215,116.47	194,403.57
		1,671.42		1,671.42	0.00	0.00
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		671,453.64	(371,569.05)	299,884.59	215,116.47	194,403.57

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD**Balance Sheet Report**

All Values are shown in Pound Sterling

	Notes	<u>31.03.2025</u> <u>Current Year</u>	<u>31.03.2024</u> <u>Previous Year</u>
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	17		
Land & buildings		22,500.00	22,500.00
Pumping stations		262,647.12	311,916.96
Plant & equipment		6,717.92	3,336.94
Motor vehicles		4,301.95	7,905.55
FIXED ASSETS		296,166.99	345,659.45
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Stocks		30.75	30.75
Trade debtors		378,004.04	387,511.93
Rates debtors		294.31	290.90
Other debtors	20	0.00	0.00
Cash at Bank and in hand	19	1,502,510.39	1,029,315.38
Prepayments & Accrued Income		13,893.48	9,568.77
CURRENT ASSETS		1,894,732.97	1,426,717.73
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES - DUE WITHIN 1 YEAR</u>			
Trade creditors & supplier retentions	21	(476,445.44)	(249,656.85)
Other creditors	22	0.00	(921.84)
Accruals		(6,913.75)	(4,292.10)
Taxation & social security	23	71,633.49	20,255.14
Loans & hire purchase	24	(63,555.62)	(60,792.66)
Deferred income & commuted sums	25	(55,378.28)	(53,057.49)
CURRENT LIABILITIES		(530,659.60)	(348,465.80)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,364,073.37	1,078,251.93
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,660,240.36	1,423,911.38
<u>LONG TERM LIABILITIES</u>			
Loans & hire purchase	24	(142,835.46)	(206,391.07)
LONG TERM LIABILITIES		(142,835.46)	(206,391.07)
NET ASSETS		1,517,404.90	1,217,520.31
<u>RESERVES:</u>			
<u>USABLE RESERVES</u>			
<u>EARMARKED RESERVES</u>			
Engineering Projects Reserve	32	857,986.18	489,023.22
Plant Reserve		10,000.00	10,000.00
Commuted Sums Reserve		75,774.68	75,774.68
TOTAL EARMARKED		943,760.86	574,797.90
<u>GENERAL RESERVES</u>			
General Reserve - Profit & Loss Reserve		273,759.45	448,318.84
Current period net surplus / (deficit)		299,884.59	194,403.57
TOTAL GENERAL RESERVES		573,644.04	642,722.41
<u>UNUSABLE RESERVES</u>			
Revaluation Reserve		0.00	0.00
TOTAL NON-DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES		0.00	0.00
BOARD'S FUNDS		1,517,404.90	1,217,520.31

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Statement of Changes in Reserves For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

<u>Usable Reserves</u>	Plant Reserve	Engineering Projects Reserve	Commuted Sums Reserve	General Reserve - Profit & Loss Reserve	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	10,000.00	489,023.22	75,774.68	642,722.41	1,217,520.31
Profit / (Loss) for the Year	-	-	-	299,884.59	299,884.59
Board funding for schemes	-	143,000.00	-	(143,000.00)	0.00
Engineering receipts	-	109,938.40	-	(109,938.40)	0.00
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	0.00
Transfer from other reserves	-	597,532.01	-	(597,532.01)	0.00
	10,000.00	1,339,493.63	75,774.68	92,136.59	1,517,404.90
Transfer to other reserves			0.00		0.00
Engineering expenditure		(481,507.45)	-	481,507.45	0.00
At 31 March 2025	10,000.00	857,986.18	75,774.68	573,644.04	1,517,404.90

<u>Unusable Reserves</u>	Revaluation Reserve	Total
	£	£
At 1 April 2024	0.00	0.00
Profit / (Loss) for the Year	-	0.00
Transfer from other reserves	-	0.00
	0.00	0.00
Transfer to other reserves	0.00	0.00
Depreciation of pumping stations	0.00	0.00
At 31 March 2025	0.00	0.00

Reserves Note

Reserves are held to create a working balance to mitigate the impact of uneven cash flows and avoid uneven rate increases or decreases, to create a contingency to cushion the impact of unexpected events and emergencies, and to build funds to meet predicted future expenditure. However, not all reserves can be used to deliver services and these are reflected as Usable and Unusable. Unusable reserves are determined by technical accounting rules and are not available for use by the Board, Revaluation and Pension reserves are examples of Unusable Reserves. Of the Usable Reserves, the Board holds two different types - Allocated or Earmarked Reserves and Unallocated or General Reserves.

Usable Reserves

Allocated or Earmarked Reserves

Allocated or Earmarked Reserves are sums set aside for a specific known future use.

Engineering Project Reserve

The Engineering Project Reserve is an earmarked reserve where the sums have been set aside for a specific project or to meet expenditure for a specific future purpose.

Further notes relating to Engineering Project Reserves can be found in the Notes to the Accounts

Commuted Sums Reserve

A commuted sum is a "one-off" receipt, from a 3rd party, of a capital nature that is reserved against future expenditure of a specific nature. Any new commuted sums are now held on the balance sheet as a future obligation (creditor) rather than a value in the reserve account.

The Commuted Sum Reserve funds held are as follows:

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
Catesby Business Park Phase 1	36,475.61	36,475.61
Catesby Business Park Phase 2	15,332.46	15,332.46
Catesby Business Park Phase 3	3,553.81	3,553.81
Ashfields and West Moor District Pipelines	20,412.80	20,412.80
	<u>75,774.68</u>	<u>75,774.68</u>

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Statement of Changes in Reserves For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Plant Renewal Fund Reserve

The Plant Renewal & Operating Reserve is an earmarked reserve where funds have been set aside and are held for future costs incurred in the provision of new plant.

Where Plant Reserve funds are rated for it will increase the Plant Reserve fund annually, where the sum is not rated for, the sums to be allocated to future plant acquisitions will be dependent on the level of the general reserves, in order to preserve sufficient general reserves in line with the Board's General Reserve policy

Unallocated or General Reserves

Unallocated or General Reserves are funds to provide protection against unplanned expenditure.

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.

When considering the Board's financial position, 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 Board's policy is to maintain a level of 30% of average net operating costs. The calculation of average operating costs includes expenditure on pumping stations, watercourse maintenance, administration, other assets and borrowing charges. Non-monetary expenses, such as depreciation, are not included in the calculation.

Unusable Reserves

Revaluation Reserve

The revaluation reserve is a non-monetary accounting adjustment to record movement arising from the revaluation of the Pumping Stations from their historical cost to their value as at the revaluation date. The Revaluation Reserve is reduced annually in line with the value of the depreciation of the Pumping Stations. The Reserve value is not available for use by the Board.

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 General Information

Internal Drainage Boards are independent bodies created under land drainage statutes and the Board is governed by Section 1 of the Land Drainage Act 1991. The Board has permissive powers to undertake flood defence works, other than on main rivers, in a defined geographical area. The Board includes those elected by and representing the occupiers of land in the area and members nominated by the local authorities in the area.

The Board is subject to the Audit Commission Act 1998 and also the Accounts and Audit Regulations as issued under that Act.

2 Accounting Policies

The Board has not elected to prepare a full Statement of Accounts required by larger public bodies (Category 1 Authorities), as provided for in the Local Audit & Accountability Act 2014.

The Board is a Category 2 Authority and it has completed this Statement of Accounts in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, which all Category 2 Authorities are required to do.

The Annual Return has been prepared in accordance with proper practices that are set out in Sections 1 and 2 of the Practitioners' Guide as published by the National Association of Local Councils 2024.

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting statements

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Accounting Concepts

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the following accounting concepts:

Going Concern

Prudence

Accruals

Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared having regard to the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006, along with the guidance published by the Association of Drainage Authorities (ADA), with the following exception: -

Government Grants and Subsidies

Grants are credited to the Income & Expenditure account in the year they are received, this is in accordance with the proper practices as per the Practitioners Guide 2024 in the preparation of the AGAR. To ensure that Grant income not spent is held separately to the general reserves, all grants and associated expenditure relating to Engineering Schemes are held separately in the Balance Sheet Reserves and released back to General Reserves during the life of the scheme. This enables the funds allocated and received for a specific purpose to be held separately to the general reserves and ensures that those schemes have sufficient funds available to continue.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention, except that as disclosed in the accounting policies, certain items are shown at fair value.

These financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Board.

Tax

Drainage Boards are exempt from Income, Corporation and Capital Gains Taxes. Value Added Tax is included in the accounts only to the extent that it is irrecoverable.

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Tangible assets

Tangible fixed assets are recognised as expenditure on acquisition, creation or enhancement of fixed assets with a value in excess of £500, or £2,000 in the case of computer equipment, and with an estimated useful life in excess of one year and are capitalised on an accruals basis in the accounts.

Tangible fixed assets are included at historic cost less any depreciation charge.

The useful lives on the various assets held on the Fixed Asset Register are as follows:

- Buildings: 50 years
- Pumping station contents and weedscreen cleaners: 25 years
- Motor vehicles and equipment: 5 years
- Excavators and plant: 5-10 years

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method (FIFO).

Debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as Current Liabilities if the Board does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as Long Term Liabilities.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Income and Expenditure account over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in Finance costs.

Borrowings are classified as Current Liabilities unless the Board has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Contingent assets and liabilities

Contingent liabilities are provided for in the accounts by way of accruals quantified by a best estimate on the non-invoiced costs that the Board incurred before the year end and had a legal obligation to settle within 9 months of the year-end.

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
3 Recharge & PSCA Income		
PSCA Income	39,581.05	35,270.27
Income from PSCA works	39,581.05	35,270.27
PSCA Expenditure	39,581.05	30,669.80
Expenditure on PSCA works	39,581.05	30,669.80
Income over Expenditure on PSCA Works	0.00	4,600.47
4 Other works done Income		
Recharge works Income	5,668.68	5,768.36
Contributions to Ops projects re Drains CA	4,588.04	2,645.25
Income from Recharge works	10,256.72	8,413.61
Other works Expenditure		
Other works Expenditure	5,669.47	5,768.36
Park Drain RCH Project balances to match future costs	-	-
Expenditure on other works	5,669.47	5,768.36
Income over Expenditure on Other Works	4,587.25	2,645.25
5 Consenting income		
Consenting application fees	3,381.00	4,650.00
Consenting time recharged to other boards & parties	662.50	3,467.50
Surface water fees	13,155.32	47,944.47
Consenting fees - commuted income matched to expenses	-	-
Income from Consenting	17,198.82	56,061.97
Consenting expenditure		
Consenting expenditure	22,477.30	15,682.93
Income over Expenditure on Consenting Recharges	-5,278.48	40,379.04
6 Disbursement Income	-	-
	0.00	0.00
Disbursement Expenditure	-	-
	0.00	0.00
Income over Expenditure on Disbursements	0.00	0.00
Income relating to recharges	67,036.59	99,745.85
Expenditure relating to recharges	67,727.82	52,121.09
Income over expenditure on recharge works	(691.23)	47,624.76
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
7 Contributions - non engineering schemes		
Contributions towards vehicle running costs	6,401.82	7,932.64
Contributions towards vehicle use	7,200.00	7,200.00
Contributions to DLO labour costs	18,479.80	8,999.98
	32,081.62	24,132.62

Contributions towards vehicle use - in February 2019 the Board purchased 2 vehicles, to offset the cost of the vehicle purchases the Coal Authority pay a contribution of £600 per calendar month

Contributions to DLO labour costs includes the share of the pump attendant (45%) employment costs recharged to Axholme.

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8 Pumping Station contributions

Blaxton Quarry Pumping Station	DEPS0902	-	-
Torne Bridge Pumping Station	DEPS0903	-	-
Kilham Farm Pumping Station	DEPS0904	-	-
Balby Carr Pumping Station	DEPS1401	31,520.20	57,063.13
Seven Arches Pumping Station	DEPS1402	14,706.84	16,390.01
Low Ellers Pumping Station	DEPS1403	23,590.04	33,034.39
Huxterwell Pumping Station	DEPS1501	62,643.95	76,864.98
Parson's Carr Pumping Station	DEPS1502	18.80	-
Tickhill Pumping Station (Middle Drain)	DEPS1601	4,148.95	5,018.53
West Moor Pumping Station	DEPS2202	4,134.09	4,114.57
Medge Hall Pumping Station	DEPS2501	0.00	-
Elmhurst Pumping Station	DEPS2602	13,753.77	16,851.64
Wikewell Pumping Station	DEPS2901	47,789.73	56,986.30
Kirton Lane Pumping Station	DEPS3001	9,611.76	13,550.81
Cuckoo Lane Pumping Station	DEPS3101	5,905.93	14,306.16
Sandall Grange Pumping Station	DEPS3102	6,025.85	5,618.36
Pissy Beds Pumping Station	DEPS3201	2,069.39	1,087.47
High Level North Pumping Station	DEPS3502	5,577.80	4,823.55
Askern's Drain Pump Station (High Level south)(Low Hassocks)	DEPS3601	9,548.50	21,008.19
South Thorne Bank Pumping Station	DEPS4102	-	-
Cadmans Pumping Station	DEPS4103	-	-
Franklins Pumping Station	DEPS4104	-	-
Park Drain Pumping Station	DEPS5201	-	48.45
Haxey Grange Fen Wind Pump	DEPS5202	-	-
Langholme Pumping Station	DEPS5501	-	-
Idle Stop Pumping Station	DEPS5601	-	-
Newington Pumping Station	DEPS5901	3,592.98	3,643.55
		<u>244,638.58</u>	<u>330,410.09</u>
Total Contributions		<u>276,720.20</u>	<u>354,542.71</u>

31.03.2025 **31.03.2024**
Current Year **Previous Year**

9 Other income

Insurance claims	2,733.58	-
Admin fee income on recharges	43,281.67	14,740.48
Summons costs receipts	850.00	50.00
Other Income	24.46	13.82
Apprenticeship Levy	(750.00)	-
	<u>46,139.71</u>	<u>14,804.30</u>

31.03.2025 **31.03.2024**
Current Year **Previous Year**

10 Use of Own Labour

Use of Own Labour - DLO

Engineering Projects	798.42	-
Consenting Projects	-	201.25
PS Projects	44,448.38	39,046.69
Recharge Projects	228.78	79.59
Drains Maintenance Projects FLA, WEE, WOT, WED	6,277.83	5,963.26
Other	-	-
Total Use of Own Labour	<u>51,753.41</u>	<u>45,290.79</u>
Total Use of Own Labour & Plant	<u>51,753.41</u>	<u>45,290.79</u>

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
11 Drain Maintenance Expenses			
Flailing		123,357.79	120,984.48
Weedcutting		204,322.69	197,525.61
Emergency drain repairs		2,760.00	3,714.29
Other drain repairs		57,496.53	34,654.60
		<u>387,937.01</u>	<u>356,878.98</u>
Stocks		99.35	1,166.94
Use of own labour		6,277.83	5,963.26
Contractors		380,601.54	347,043.90
Consultants		958.29	2,704.88
Compensation		-	-
		<u>387,937.01</u>	<u>356,878.98</u>
12 Pumping Station Expenses		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
Stocks		5,435.00	2,429.84
Use of own labour		44,448.38	39,046.69
Contractors		44,638.48	79,300.72
Consultants		16,640.55	11,678.91
Utilities (Electric)		209,941.38	324,669.78
Utilities (Rent)		90.00	-
Telemetry		15,042.12	15,042.12
Inspections		5,406.82	4,393.99
Insurance		35,739.56	26,938.82
Expenses reimbursements		-	-
Other Expenses		-	99.60
		<u>377,382.29</u>	<u>503,600.47</u>
12 Pumping Station expenses - per station		31.03.2025	31.03.2024
Blaxton Quarry Pumping Station	DEPS0902	5,612.58	7,785.01
Torne Bridge Pumping Station	DEPS0903	5,585.58	6,837.68
Kilham Farm Pumping Station	DEPS0904	13,362.33	13,343.80
Balby Carr Pumping Station	DEPS1401	44,668.39	79,496.57
Seven Arches Pumping Station	DEPS1402	14,012.29	12,335.75
Low Ellers Pumping Station	DEPS1403	28,482.95	37,506.87
Huxterwell Pumping Station	DEPS1501	62,097.38	72,084.31
Parson's Carr Pumping Station	DEPS1502	0.00	1.76
Tickhill Pumping Station (Middle Drain)	DEPS1601	4,149.09	4,633.08
West Moor Pumping Station	DEPS2202	4,095.50	3,819.80
Medge Hall Pumping Station	DEPS2501	16,594.73	33,985.55
Elmhurst Pumping Station	DEPS2602	25,091.34	26,705.75
Wikewell Pumping Station	DEPS2901	47,436.36	51,838.63
Kirton Lane Pumping Station	DEPS3001	9,622.07	11,689.43
Cuckoo Lane Pumping Station	DEPS3101	6,975.00	13,123.62
Sandall Grange Pumping Station	DEPS3102	6,025.55	5,434.70
Pissy Beds Pumping Station	DEPS3201	2,075.14	1,103.65
High Level North Pumping Station	DEPS3502	4,451.06	4,470.12
Askern's Drain Pump Station (High Level south)(Low Hassocks)	DEPS3601	9,555.97	17,562.29
South Thorne Bank Pumping Station	DEPS4102	6,890.25	8,086.81
Cadmans Pumping Station	DEPS4103	6,943.77	9,191.06
Franklins Pumping Station	DEPS4104	4,828.45	4,601.04
Park Drain Pumping Station	DEPS5201	23,031.36	40,210.61
Haxey Grange Fen Wind Pump	DEPS5202	61.12	4.95
Langholme Pumping Station	DEPS5501	12,680.92	20,873.91
Idle Stop Pumping Station	DEPS5601	9,449.53	13,461.82
Newington Pumping Station	DEPS5901	3,603.58	3,411.90
		<u>377,382.29</u>	<u>503,600.47</u>
Pumping Station income		<u>244,638.58</u>	<u>330,410.09</u>
Net cost of Pumping Stations			
Expenditure less contributions		<u>132,743.71</u>	<u>173,190.38</u>

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
13 DLO costs		
Wages	70,576.48	53,897.54
Wages - Overtime payments	1,291.72	2,974.77
Employers NIC	7,406.23	5,529.98
Employers Pension	3,982.65	1,563.52
DLO Travelling	0.00	-
DLO Training	2,679.73	1,126.47
Recruitment costs	0.00	-
PPE & Protective clothing	775.84	1,374.68
DLO Medicals	660.00	422.00
	<u>87,372.65</u>	<u>66,888.96</u>

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
14 Other Direct Costs		
Standby Cover	1,950.00	2,058.66
Apprentice Costs	-	1,739.29
Consumables	246.27	151.99
Buyers fees	458.00	935.70
Abstraction fees & licences	2,500.00	2,500.00
Miscellaneous expenses	-	-
	<u>5,154.27</u>	<u>7,385.64</u>

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
15 Support & Establishment Costs		
Staff costs - shared staff including Ops Manager & Rating Officer	40,081.45	19,844.47
Other staff costs incl travelling, training, recruitment, insurances	2,527.71	4,261.20
Depot costs	379.46	170.61
Office costs	-	-
Administration costs including telephone	2,614.32	2,343.31
Consortium/Management Charges (incl travel)	141,646.50	146,047.95
Advertising costs	280.20	700.59
Shows and promotions	-	-
Travelling & subsistence costs	-	-
Motor vehicle running costs	10,669.69	12,856.08
Plant vehicle running costs	157.70	13.96
Plant (non-motorised) running and maintenance costs	42.83	74.00
Small tools renewals	346.38	464.97
Office & hire equipment costs	47.52	43.20
IT costs	10,624.98	7,029.88
Legal & professional fees	13,744.76	5,760.20
Board expenses	5,039.34	4,887.99
Subscriptions	40.80	0.00
ADA costs	5,133.00	4,912.00
Insurances	6,440.06	5,713.74
	<u>239,816.70</u>	<u>215,124.15</u>

Staff Costs includes the share of the Ops manager (42%) & Rating officer (26%) employments costs recharged from Axholme & Lindsey Marsh respectively.

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
16 Finance Costs		
Bank charges	1,048.38	1,374.50
Credit charges	127.30	114.00
Card machine charges	312.75	254.83
	<u>1,488.43</u>	<u>1,743.33</u>
PWLB Loan Interest - existing loans	11,676.59	14,385.09
PWLB Loan Interest - future loans	-	-
	<u>11,676.59</u>	<u>14,385.09</u>
	<u>13,165.02</u>	<u>16,128.42</u>

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Balance Sheet Notes

17 Tangible assets

	Land	Pumping Stations & Contents	Plant, Equipment & Vehicles £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 April 2024	22,500.00	1,496,454.00	44,767.96	1,563,721.96
Additions in year	-	-	5,850.91	5,850.91
Disposals in year	-	-	(3,792.48)	(3,792.48)
At 31 March 2025	<u>22,500.00</u>	<u>1,496,454.00</u>	<u>46,826.39</u>	<u>1,565,780.39</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	0.00	1,184,537.04	33,525.47	1,218,062.51
Charge in the year	-	49,269.84	4,626.57	53,896.41
Eliminated on disposal of assets to plant reserves	-	-	(2,345.52)	(2,345.52)
At 31 March 2025	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,233,806.88</u>	<u>35,806.52</u>	<u>1,269,613.40</u>
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2025	<u>22,500.00</u>	<u>262,647.12</u>	<u>11,019.87</u>	<u>296,166.99</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>22,500.00</u>	<u>311,916.96</u>	<u>11,242.49</u>	<u>345,659.45</u>

Plant Additions includes the tools replaced following thefts at Balby Carr & Wikewell PS

	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
17 Tangible assets continued		
Depreciation charge on assets	<u>53,896.41</u>	<u>56,528.02</u>
	<u>53,896.41</u>	<u>56,528.02</u>
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
18 Profit / (Loss) on disposal of assets		
Profit / (Loss) on disposal of plant	1,671.42	-
Profit / (Loss) on disposal of vehicles	-	-
	<u>1,671.42</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
19 Cash at bank and in hand		
Lloyds current account	889,833.78	416,495.77
Lloyds rating account	(17.00)	362,819.61
Lloyds interest account	362,693.61	-
Skipton B/Soc Term Deposit	<u>250,000.00</u>	<u>250,000.00</u>
	<u>1,502,510.39</u>	<u>1,029,315.38</u>
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
20 Other debtors		
Due from LMD Board re credit card receipts	-	-
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
21 Trade creditors and supplier retentions		
Trade creditors	(473,609.32)	(246,820.73)
Supplier retentions	<u>(2,836.12)</u>	<u>(2,836.12)</u>
	<u>(476,445.44)</u>	<u>(249,656.85)</u>
	31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
22 Other Creditors		
Pensions	-	(371.84)
Rates Creditor overpayments	-	(550.00)
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(921.84)</u>

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
23 Taxation and social security			
VAT refund due from HMRC		73,331.77	21,867.23
PAYE due to HMRC		(1,698.28)	(1,612.09)
		<u>71,633.49</u>	<u>20,255.14</u>
24 Loans		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
Due within 1 year			
PWLB Loans		<u>(63,555.62)</u>	<u>(60,792.66)</u>
		<u>(63,555.62)</u>	<u>(60,792.66)</u>
Due after 1 year			
PWLB Loans		<u>(142,835.46)</u>	<u>(206,391.07)</u>
		<u>(142,835.46)</u>	<u>(206,391.07)</u>
Total Loans & HP outstanding		<u>(206,391.08)</u>	<u>(267,183.73)</u>
		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
25 Deferred Receipts & Commuted Sums			
Misson Training SSSI		(12,440.61)	(12,440.61)
Haxey Grange Fen SSSI		<u>(6,922.34)</u>	<u>(6,922.34)</u>
		<u>(19,362.95)</u>	<u>(19,362.95)</u>
Culvert commuted sums		(29,241.44)	(29,241.44)
Drains maintenance commuted sums		<u>(6,773.89)</u>	<u>(4,453.10)</u>
		<u>(36,015.33)</u>	<u>(33,694.54)</u>
		<u>(55,378.28)</u>	<u>(53,057.49)</u>
Deferred income relates to grant or other receipts received in advance of any expenditure. The income is released to the Income and Expenditure Account to match any expenses incurred during the reporting period for the specific project.			
Scheme Notes		31.03.2025 Current Year	31.03.2024 Previous Year
26 Flood Recovery Funding			
Tranche 1 Funding for recovery historical costs - see below	26A	266,498.73	
Tranche 1B Additional Funding for Costs - see below	26B	<u>150,000.00</u>	
		<u>416,498.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>
26A Tranche 1 - Recovery Costs reallocated to Schemes:			
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs		166,632.96	-
DE24999 Flood Recovery 2nd Tranche		9,065.45	
DE20305 Newington PS		<u>90,800.32</u>	-
		<u>266,498.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>
26B Tranche 2 - Used within Schemes:			
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs		84,711.34	-
DE20305 Newington PS		<u>65,288.66</u>	-
		<u>150,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
27 Funded from / (to) Reserves			
Transfers related to Flood Recovery			
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs		166,632.96	
DE24999 Flood Recovery 2nd Tranche		9,065.45	
DE20305 Newington PS		90,800.32	
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs		84,711.34	
DE20305 Newington PS		<u>65,288.66</u>	
		<u>416,498.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Transfers not related to Flood recovery			
DE14001 PS Reserve		175,000.00	
DE19305 Low Eller Pump Refurb		6,033.28	
DE20303 Telemetry Replacement trf from DE2223ADM			1,004.04
DE2223ADM Admin fees removed from schemes prior to 2023			(2,921.18)
DE19455 Drain Safety White Rose closed trf to reserves			(1,293.55)
DE19456 Balby Drain Raking Grid closed trf from reserves			570.25
		<u>181,033.28</u>	<u>(2,640.44)</u>
Total Movement through Scheme Reserves		<u>597,532.01</u>	<u>(2,640.44)</u>

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

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28 Scheme Income - Grants

Grants	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

31.03.2025

Current Year

31.03.2024

Previous Year

29 Scheme Income - Contributions

Elmhirst PS (DE21305)		
Emergency Pump Station Repairs	7,484.95	1,619.04
Huxterwell PS Weedscreen (DE19307)	-	5,697.63
Strategic Hydraulic Modelling (DE18005)	-	35,471.21
Low Ellers PS Pump Refurbishment (DE19305)	395.83	15,915.42
High Level South Refurbishment (DE21307)	-	1,428.61
Newington PS Refurb (DE20305)	64,458.38	
Seven Arches PS Refurbishment (DE20306)	37,599.24	
	<u>109,938.40</u>	<u>60,131.91</u>

31.03.2025

Current Year

31.03.2024

Previous Year

30 Scheme Income - Deferred income & commuted sums

Income released to Income & Expenditure account from deferred income	-	-
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

31.03.2025

Current Year

31.03.2024

Previous Year

31 Engineering projects expenditure

Stocks	1,605.41	-
Use of own labour	798.42	-
Contractors	430,742.66	36,625.53
Consultants	45,983.57	44,219.28
Consultants external	1,156.64	
Compensation	-	-
Other costs	1,220.75	-
Expense items reimbursements incl travel	-	-
	<u>481,507.45</u>	<u>80,844.81</u>

32 Engineering Projects Reserves

	31.03.2025	31.03.2024	Prior Years
	Current Year	Previous Year	Continued Schemes
Value of Engineering reserve b/w/d	£	£	£
At 1 April	489,023.22	384,376.56	
Board funding as agreed in the Estimates	143,000.00	128,000.00	569,000.00
Board funding as agreed outside of Estimates from Reserves			
Trf from reserves YE 2018	-	-	24,568.00
Trf of Telemetry budget on OPS PS			3,195.31
DE19305 Low Ellers PS pump rep Board element from reserves	6,033.28		16.71
DE19006 Hatfield Link Road DN7			(348.73)
DE19306 Parsons Carr Demolition - 10% admin fee to reserves			(1,532.85)
DE19306 Parsons Carr balance of funds moved to DE21515 Park			(8,138.67)
DE19304 Balby Carr PS Pump refurb balance trf to reserves			(3,627.12)
Reforming Schemes closed & trf to reserves			(14,793.05)
DE20303 Telemetry Replacement trf from DE2223ADM		1,004.04	
DE2223ADM Admin fees removed from schemes prior to 2023		(2,921.18)	
DE19455 Drain Safety White Rose closed trf to reserves		(1,293.55)	
DE19456 Balby Drain Raking Grid closed trf from reserves		570.25	
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs	166,632.96		
DE24999 Flood Recovery 2nd Tranche	9,065.45		
DE20305 Newington PS	90,800.32		
DE24302 Emergency Pump Repairs	84,711.34		
DE20305 Newington PS	65,288.66		
DE14001 PS Reserve	175,000.00		

DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

32 Engineering Projects Reserves - continued

	31.03.2025	31.03.2024	Prior Years
	Current Year	Previous Year	Continued Schemes
Funds released from Deferred Income held funds			
Haxey grange Fen (DE16001)	-		80.00
Thorne, Crowle & Goole Moors (DE00191)			66,655.96
Catchment Modelling (DE14001) to close			27,078.65
Potterick Carr SSSI			(0.10)
Grant funding received in year (LL & FDGiA)			
Haxey Grange Fen	-		23,200.00
Misson Training SSSI	-	-	232,055.00
Potterick Carr SSSI (DE1101)			291,288.00
Catchment Modelling		-	50,000.00
Thorne, Crowle & Goole Moors (DE00191)		0.00	3,011,121.57
Strategic Hydraulic Modelling (DE18005)			70,000.00
Park Drain PS - major refurbishment - incl Idle Stop integration			95,000.00
Telemetry replacement (DE20303)			27,166.12
Other contributions received in year			
Interest added	-	-	1,062.92
Contributions received in year			
Coal Authority - Hatfield Link (DE19006)			10,093.30
Coal Authority - Strategic Hydraulic Modelling (DE18005)		35,471.21	36,325.00
Coal Authority - Parsons Carr Demolition (DE19306)			25,000.00
Coal Authority - Huxterwell Weedscreen (DE19307)		5,697.63	10,000.00
Emergency pump repairs	7,484.95	1,619.04	360.88
Weedscreen repairs			67.15
Asset renewals			407.95
Culvert CCTV & Desilting			139.78
Balby Carr PS Pump Refurb (DE19304)			18,007.76
Low Eilers PS Pump Refurb (DE19305)	395.83	15,915.42	67.29
Seven Arches PS Refurbishment (DE20306)			1,097.34
High Level South Control Panel (DE21307)		1,428.61	31,062.83
Telemetry replacement (DE20303)			111,846.66
Elmhirst Ps (DE21305)			204.23
Newington PS Refurb (DE20305)	64,458.38		
Seven Arches PS Refurbishment (DE20306)	37,599.24		
Difference on account		-	1.14
Balance of grant funds held in Deferred Income			
Haxey Grange Fen	-	-	(7,002.34)
Misson Training SSSI	-	-	(12,440.61)
Potterick Carr SSSI (DE1101)	-	-	0.10
Catchment Modelling	-	-	(27,078.65)
Thorne, Crowle & Goole Moors (DE00191)			(339,629.61)
Funds received	850,470.41	185,491.47	4,321,577.92

32 Engineering Projects Reserves continued

	31.03.2025	31.03.2024	Prior Years
	Current Year	Previous Year	Continued Schemes
Engineering expenditure			
Expenditure in year	481,507.45	80,844.81	3,937,201.36
Actual expenditure	481,507.45	80,844.81	3,937,201.36
Engineering Projects Reserves Balance c/fwd	857,986.18	489,023.22	384,376.56

33 Related Party Disclosures

Elected members must own land or be a representative of a landowner in the Board's district. The Board's landowners pay drainage rates either as individuals, Partners in Partnerships, or as Directors of limited companies; the exact nature of which is dependent on their acreage/annual value of land and is multiplied by the same rate as all other rate payers.

The Board is a member of the Water Management Consortium. The Consortium consists of three other Boards, Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board, Isle of Axholme & North Notts WLMB and Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board, who provide administrative services to the Board.

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Recommendation:

- To approve the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025 and request the Chairman evidence the Board's approval on Page 4 of the Accounts.

2. Audit of Accounts for the Year ending 31st March 2025

- 2:1 The report of the Internal Auditor will be presented at the meeting. A copy of the Auditors report is attached.

Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

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During the financial year ended 31 March 2025, this authority's internal auditor acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with the relevant procedures and controls in operation and obtained appropriate evidence from the authority.

The internal audit for 2024/25 has been carried out in accordance with this authority's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of this authority.

Internal control objective	Yes	No	Not covered**
A. Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year.	✓		
B. This authority complied with its financial regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	✓		
C. This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.	✓		
D. The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.	✓		
E. Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	✓		
F. Petty cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all petty cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for.			✓
G. Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.	✓		
H. Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.	✓		
I. Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.	✓		
J. Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.	✓		
K. If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2023/24, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2023/24 AGAR tick "not covered")			✓
L. The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.	✓		
M. In the year covered by this AGAR, the authority correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (during the 2024-25 AGAR period, were public rights in relation to the 2023-24 AGAR evidenced by a notice on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set).	✓		
N. The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2023/24 AGAR (see AGAR Page 1 Guidance Notes).	✓		
O. (For local councils only) Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.	Yes	No	Not applicable
			✓

For any other risk areas identified by this authority adequate controls existed (list any other risk areas on separate sheets if needed).

Date(s) internal audit undertaken

Name of person who carried out the internal audit

18/03/2025

19/03/2025

20/03/2025

Chris Harris

Signature of person who carried out the internal audit

Date 06/06/2025

*If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

**Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned; or, if coverage is not required, the annual internal audit report must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).



Internal Audit 2024/25

FINAL Audit Report

Prepared by:

Chris Harris - Associate Principal Auditor
Lighthouse UK Consultancy Limited

For: **Doncaster East IDB**

This audit has been conducted in accordance with the Public Sector
Internal Audit Standards.

Report Control:

Audit Manager

Steve Forsyth

Lead Auditor

Chris Harris

Report Status

Draft Report Issued – 26/03/2025

Final Report Issued – 01/04/2025

Draft Report Distribution

Nicola Hind – Finance Manager

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Andrew McGill – Chief Executive

Nicola Hind – Finance Manager

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1 Executive Summary

1.1 Scope and Background of Audit

- 1.1.1 Internal Drainage Boards are required annually to have an independent internal audit of their governance, risk and control framework. In addition, the Annual Governance and Accountability Return requires an annual Internal Audit report that prescribes some 14 Objectives for the internal auditor to test and comment upon.
- 1.1.2 The 2024/25 audit of the IDB's accounts and records have been reviewed and tested across sufficient areas of operation to enable the auditor to sign off the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for Internal Audit.

1.2 Summary of Audit Findings

- 1.2.1 The auditor is pleased to record that, following his detailed internal audit work, the governance, risk and control framework at Doncaster East IDB is in good order and working well.
- 1.2.2 No recommendations have been made following this audit.

1.3 Summary of Control Assurance Provided

- 1.3.1 **Substantial** - Internal Audit is able to offer substantial assurance overall as the areas reviewed were found to be adequately controlled. Internal controls were in place and operating effectively and risks against the achievement of objectives were well managed.

1.4 Summary of Recommendations

High	Medium	Low	Total
0	0	0	0

2 Audit Findings & Recommendations

2.1 Governance

2.1.1 A number of policies are listed on the Lindsey Marsh Water Management Consortium's website. These were examined and found to be in need of review and updating. Discussion with the Corporate Services Manager revealed that all Policies were in the process of a review and being updated and the following were to be presented to the 28 March 2025 Board meeting for approval:

- Members' Code of Conduct
- Register of Members' Interests
- Members' Expenses
- Complaints Procedure
- Whistleblowing
- Anti-fraud and Corruption
- Anti-bribery
- Data Protection, Privacy and Breach
- Access to Information and Charging
- FOI Publication Scheme
- Policy Statement
- Risk Register, Strategy and Policy

Financial Regulations would be presented to the June 2025 Board meeting for approval.

2.1.2 Board papers for the meetings held on the 26 January 2024, 22 March 2024, 21 June 2024 and the 13 September 2024 were reviewed. These were all in order with a reasonable attendance of Board Members at each meeting.

2.1.3 The Board published the required information for 2023/24 on its website at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.

2.1.4 In the year covered by this AGAR, the Board correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations.

2.1.5 The Board has complied with the publication requirements for 2023/24 AGAR

2.1.6 External Auditor's Review — A notice of the conclusion of the external auditor's limited assurance review of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return dated 12 August 2024, together with relevant accompanying information, was published (including on the Board's website) in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16 the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

2.2 Risk

- 2.2.1 The Dynamic Risk Register which caters for all four Boards went to the January Board meetings (changes from last time highlighted in yellow). A further update will go to the March 2025 Board meeting.
- 2.2.2 The Business Risk Register is reviewed annually by the four Boards. This will also go to the March 2025 Board meeting together with the Risk Management Policy.
- 2.2.3 The Risk Registers were reviewed and found to be up to date and in order and represented good risk management.

2.3 Financial (Internal Control Framework)

2.3.1 Confirmation of Accounting Records

The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) has in place procedures to record all financial transactions and a proper system of financial controls. In addition, the RFO has up to date accounting records.

2.3.2 Accounts Payable (Creditors)

A selection of invoices from different suppliers was reviewed in detail. These were found to be in order and where appropriate Board approval was obtained prior to purchase.

2.3.3 Budgetary Process including Penny Rate and Special Levies

The Board approved the penny rate (7.55p in the £ for 2024/25) at its meeting on the 26 January 2024. In addition, special levies were also approved for Doncaster MBC £1,092,040.00, North Lincolnshire Council £20,521.00 and Bassetlaw DC £16,186.00.

The Rating process commences in April when the Rates invoices are sent out. For unpaid rates a 1st reminder will be sent in July and a 2nd reminder in October. Court summons for non-payers are sent out in November with the Court being attended for signing of liability orders in January.

Outstanding rates as at the 31 January 2025 were £1,165.80.

A budget is set annually and is approved by the Board. Regular financial (Management Accounts) reports are provided to the Board at each of its meetings.

2.3.4 General Reserves

For the year ending 31 March 2024 there was a surplus of some £85,256.72 for the year. This gave a surplus cash position at the 31 March 2024 of some 50.77% of net

operating costs compared to the 30% of net operating costs as required by Financial Regulations.

2.3.5 Five Year Plan

The five-year plan is presented to the Board at the January Board meeting when the rates are set. An update to the five year plan is presented to the June Board meeting each year once the known actual position following completion of the year end accounts.

The rate set in January 2024 for the 2024/25 financial year was approved with a 3.5% increase. Incorporating the results for 23/24 in the 5-year plan would indicate that the surplus cash position within the General Reserves will fall to 44.54% by 31st March 2025, assuming no variance to expenditure or income, in the 2024/25 year.

Whilst the 2025/26 Estimate process is yet to begin and the costs in the current 5-year plan are subject to change, with this level of reserves the Board can foresee a much lower % rate increase for 2025/26 and 2026/27 of potentially 1%.

2.3.6 Accounts Receivable

There were a number of sundry debtor accounts that were still outstanding beyond the 90 day period. These related to the Mining Remediation Authority (MRA), Rossington Development Ltd (RDL) and Yorkshire Water Services (YWS). The two outstanding invoices for the MRA were being actively pursued. RDL will settle there outstanding invoices once a new agreement is in place. The YWS invoices were still to be resolved however talks with the new contact at YWS were taking place.

2.3.7 Petty Cash

Doncaster East IDB no longer holds a petty cash imprest.

2.3.8 Payroll

Payroll for the month of January 2025 was examined and found to be in order.

2.3.9 Assets

The asset register is updated on a regular basis as and when new assets are acquired. This was found to be up to date and in order.

2.3.10 Reconciliations

Bank reconciliations are carried out monthly. The reconciliations for January 2025 were checked and found to be in balance and in order.

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Final Action Plan

Ref.	Finding	Implication	Risk level	Recommendation	Management Comments
1. No Recommendations have been made during this audit					
1.1			Low		Responsible officer: Implementation date:

2:2

Recommendations:

- To receive an update on the year end audit from the Board's Internal Auditor.

3. Annual Governance Statement and Review of Internal Control

- 3:1 The Annual Governance Statement Part 3, page 4, will be presented to the Board for a review of Internal Controls.
- 3:2 A draft AGAR Part 3 Page 4 is attached for review prior to the meeting.

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2024/25

We acknowledge as the members of:

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, that:

	Agreed		‘Yes’ means that this authority:
	Yes	No*	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	✓		<i>prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.</i>
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	✓		<i>made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.</i>
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓		<i>has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.</i>
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors’ rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	✓		<i>during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority’s accounts.</i>
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	✓		<i>considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.</i>
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	✓		<i>arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.</i>
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	✓		<i>responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.</i>
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	✓		<i>disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.</i>
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A
			✓

***Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each ‘No’ response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.**

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

and recorded as minute reference:

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair

Clerk

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Recommendation:

- To review systems of internal control and approve the Annual Governance Statement and that the Chairman and the Chief Executive evidence the Board's approval on Page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR).

4. Accounting Statements of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return

- 4:1 The Accounting Statements of Part 3 of the Return, page 5, prepared and signed by the RFO, Nicola Hind FCCA, will be presented to the Board for consideration and approval.
- 4:2 A draft AGAR Part 3 Page 5 is attached for review prior to the meeting.

Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25 for

Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2024 £	31 March 2025 £	
1. Balances brought forward	997,745	1,192,101	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	1,194,076	1,250,752	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	533,888	934,239	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	63,966	83,257	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	75,413	72,469	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	1,394,229	1,738,359	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	1,192,101	1,483,007	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	1,029,315	1,502,510	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	1,563,722	1,565,780	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	267,184	206,391	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

For Local Councils Only	Yes	No	N/A	
11a. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)				The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
11b. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)				The figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2025 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

[Redacted Signature]

Date

05/06/2025

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

as recorded in minute reference:

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

Recommendations:

- To review and approve the Accounting Statements and that the Chairman evidence the Board's approval on Page 5 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return.

Mrs N. Hind FCCA
Finance Manager

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 14
Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	Subject: OPERATIONS	

1. Winter Maintenance Works

- 1:1 An update of the 2024/25 winter works programme is detailed below. Works not completed will be carried over to the 25/26 programme.

Drain Name	Catchment	Description of Works	Length (m)	Completed to date
North Idle Drain	Dirtness	Levelling of Bank Top	500	100%
Willow Close Drain	Bull Hassocks	Levelling of Bank Top	457	
Dole Road North Drain	Medge Hall	Levelling of Bank Top	400	
Deeps Drain	Park Drain	Levelling of Bank Top	300	100%
Gatewood Drain 2	Candy Farm North	Levelling of Bank Top	1,500	
Total			3,157	

- 1:2 The proposed winter maintenance programme for 2025/26 is detailed below. The programme is subject to change depending on watercourse condition and priority.

Drain Name	Catchment	Description of Works	Length (m)	Completed to date
Proctor New Cut	Medge Hall	Tree and Bushing	250	
Moor Edges Drain	New Zealand	Tree and Bushing	850	
Idle Stop Pump Drain	Idle Stop	Tree and Bushing	200	
Austerfield Drain	Newington	Tree and Bushing	450	
Cantley Low Common and Cockwood Drain	Candy Farm North	Slip Repair	10	
Cantley Low Common and Cockwood Drain	Candy Farm North	Tree and Bushing	10	
Railway Drain (Low Ellers)	Mother Drain – Potteric Carr	Runway Levelling	565	100%
White Rose Way Drain	Mother Drain – Potteric Carr	Slip Repair	10	100%
Colliery Branch Drain	Waterton Hall	Tree and Bushing	374	
Godnow Common	North Soak Drain	Slip Repair	30	100%
Bank Drain	Wike Well	Reforming	707	

Stainforth Drain	Kirton Lane	Access Improvements	600	100%
New Godnow Drain West	Sand Hall	Slip Repair	10	100%
Wroot Common Drain and Poles Bank Drain	Bull Hassocks	Slip Repair	20	100%
Parsons Land Drain	Park Drain	Reforming	351	
Total			4,437	

Programme subject to change due to receipt of additional Flood Recovery Funding

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. Environment Agency Works (PSCA)

- 3:1 The below maintenance on EA watercourses has been requested by the EA under the PSCA in 2025/26, quotations to undertake the works have been received from the Boards Contractor.

- (a) North Idle Drain
- (b) Diggin Dyke.
- (c) Harworth Sewer.
- (d) Low Bank Suction Drain.
- (e) River Torne Soak Drain, Candy Farm
- (f) River Torne Soak Drain, Tunnel Pits.
- (g) Woodhouse Sewer.
- (h) River Torne, Auckley Bridge - Toad Holes Lane Bridge.
- (i) River Torne, Bawtry Road - A1

4. Pump Run Hours

- 4:1 Pump run hours are attached for information.

Recommendation:

- To receive the report from Officers.

A. Malin
Senior Operations Manager

G. Sutton
Operations Manager

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 15
Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	Subject: PUMPING STATION STATUS	

1. Overview (Current Focus and/or Status)

1:1 The current issues at the Board's pumping stations are shown below.

Asset	Pumps Available	WSC Available	At Risk	Planned Works and Owner	Completion Date
Kilham Farm PS	1	Hand	Flooding to Farmland	No issues	
	2				
Torne Bridge PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
Blaxton Quarry PS	1	N/A	Flooding to farmland and fishing ponds	No issues	
	2				
Franklins PS	1	N/A	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
South Thorne Bank PS	1	N/A	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
Cadmans PS	1	N/A	Flooding of Farmland	New pumps to be installed, watercourse has sandbag / soil dams with pipe through - ADC jetted and cleaned sump Torishima attended site to undertake further measurements and have confirmed the replacement pumps will not fit - They are now investigating further options and looking to source alternative pumps - Update to follow shortly. Planned power outage 20/06/25 10am - 12pm (noon)	July / August
	2				

Asset	Pumps Available	WSC Available	At Risk	Planned Works and Owner	Completion Date
Park Drain PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
	3				
Langholme PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
Idle Stop PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
Elmhirst PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland and some properties if sustained outage	No issues	
	2				
Medge Hall PS	1	Yes	Farmland and gardens elevated if North Soak drain overtops	No issues	
	2				
High Level North PS	1	No	Flooding of Farmland	Weedscreen cleaner PLC is beyond economical repair. - Options to be presented to Board	
High Levels South PS	1	Hand	Flooding of Farmland	H and S issue - Weedscreen not available to run in auto due to no fence around the station - Will require land purchase so secure fence can be installed.	31/12/2025
	2				
Wikewell PS	1	Yes	Pumps water from Kirton Lane and Cuckoo Lane PS and provides drainage to the M18 corridor	No issues	
	2				
	3				
Kirton Lane PS	1	Yes	Provides drainage for M18 corridor	No issues	
	2				
	3				
Cuckoo Lane PS	1	N/A	Flooding of residential / commercial / industrial	No issues	
	2				

Asset	Pumps Available	WSC Available	At Risk	Planned Works and Owner	Completion Date
Sandall Grange PS	1	N/A	Flooding of Farmland	No issues	
	2				
West Moor PS	1	Yes	Flooding of Farmland, some Commercial Properties	No issues	
	2				
Newington PS	1	No	Properties in the villages of Finningley and Austerfield	New control panel has been installed and two new f/f pumps - AIM Electrical currently refurbishing the automatic weedscreen cleaner - Issue with Pump 1 to be resolved (new VSD required).	Weedscreen re-install 04/06 with commissioning during w/c 09/06
	2				
Low Ellers PS	1	Yes	Provides drainage for the south of Bessacarr and the East Coast Main Line	Industrial Pumps attended site on 27/05/2025 to reinstall the repaired P3 - The motor for this pump is not on site and an investigation is being conducted - Potential theft from site - Prices for replacement will be sought. Update is awaited.	July / August
	2				
	3				
	4				
Balby Carr PS	1	Hand	Provides drainage for Balby Carr Bank, White Rose Way areas of Doncaster, numerous retail, commercial, industrial and residential areas and the East Coast Main line	No issues	
	2				
	3				
	4				
Seven Arches PS	1	N/A	Development of Warren Park Housing Scheme and M18 Motorway	Control panel condemned - requires replacement - PO placed with Inter-Lec Ltd and panel being manufactured - MS to liaise direct with DNO for power isolation to facilitate change out of new panel - Date for delivery and install TBC	Date TBC
	2				

Asset	Pumps Available	WSC Available	At Risk	Planned Works and Owner	Completion Date
Huxterwell PS	1	Hand	iPort development and A6182	Machine will not run in auto - hoist brake issue needs to be resolved - MS to attend 09/06 - PO placed with Colwills to remove section of weedscreen to straighten bars	28/05/2025 (new date to be advised)
	2				
	3				
	4				
Tickhill PS	1	N/A	Properties in the villages of Tickhill, A1 Transport Network, Farmland	No issues	
	2				

2. Matters for Note

2:1 Pumping Station Emergency Repairs (DE24302 / DE25302))

2:1:1 Low Ellers Pumping Station - Pump No. 3

2:1:1:1 Pump No. 3 failed in July 2024 and after a protracted turn around with Industrial Pumps Ltd attending site to lift the pump out for repair, it was finally reinstalled on the 28th May 2025. However, it was realised on site when the pump was returned that the motor was not on site. The motor was removed from the pump and left on top of the roof of the chamber.

2:1:1:2 An order has been placed with North Lincs Engineering for a replacement motor in the amount of £11,777.10 and is expected to be delivered and installed on site in early July.

2:1:2 Park Drain Pumping Station – Pump Nos. 1 and 3

2:1:2:1 Following overhaul and a new impellor, pump no. 1 was successfully reinstalled at the pumping station on 27th March 2025. At the same time, pump no. 3 was lifted for removal and repair. This pump has had moisture in motor fault for some time. Upon lifting, there was a piece of wood jammed in the impellor.

2:1:2:2 Both pumps are now fully overhauled and back in service. There have been some savings made to the Board due to some works not being required upon further inspection.

2:1:2:3 The outfall chamber underneath the railway has rotten timber sleepers on the top and some of these timbers have fallen down behind the weedscreen and have been dragged into the sump. Officers are looking at options for removal of the sleepers and replacement with a safe cover. An update will be made to a future meeting.

2:2 Costs to date

2:2:1 The pumping station emergency repair budget for 2025/2026 including the accrual from 2024/2025 is £118,427.08 and costs to date are £84,940.08

Robert Brown
Senior Engineer

Antony Malin
Senior Operations Manager

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 16*
Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	Subject: ASSET RENEWAL AND REFURBISHMENT	

1. Overview1:1 Projects – Completed

Project Ref	Project and Tasks	Description of Works	Budget	Expenditure	Planned Completion
DE24302	Park Drain Pumping Station - Pump repairs to Pump 1 and 3 and access bridge repairs	Repairs to Pump 3 following seal leak failure and wood being ingested into sump and being stuck in impellor	Emergency Repair Budget 2024/2025	£ 56,941	COMPLETE

1:2 Projects - Current Focus

Project and Tasks	Description of Works	Budget £	Expenditure £	Planned Completion	Status/Actions Agreed
Severn Arches PS - New control panel	Replacement of Pump control panel following significant NICEIC testing failure of existing panel.	40,000.00	45,865.90	07/07/2025	Control panel has failed electrical installation test - New control panel and kiosk ordered from Inter-Lec Limited - Application to Northern Powergrid for power isolation is being submitted with PO and payment - Turnaround is approx 4 weeks / MOP Stark have been contacted to attend site at the same time.
Newington Pumping Station - Pump and Panel Replacement	Replacement of pumps for Fish Friendly Pumps and associated control infrastructure.	164,000.00	202,277.59	30/06/2025	New pumps have been installed but P1 has an issue which ACE and Inter-Lec are trying to resolve - The automatic weedscreen cleaner has been refurbished and is due to be reinstalled on 04/06/2025 and commissioned during w/c 09/06.

Project and Tasks	Description of Works	Budget £	Expenditure £	Planned Completion	Status/Actions Agreed
Huxterwell PS - weedscreen cleaner install (from Parsons Carr)	Repairs to WSC trolley following breakdown of gearbox following reinstall.	20,000.00	83,357.62	23/06/2025	Fenflow have replaced the gearbox and the machine has been reinstalled at the station - Machine available in hand but not yet in auto – M and E Engineer to visit site to check any snagging issues and a PO has been placed with Colwills to remove a section of the weedscreen to straighten the bars (this was previously in Inter-Lec's contract).
Elmhirst PS and EA's New Zealand PS - Joint Refurbishment / Rationalisation	Potential rationalisation of Elmhirst PS and upgrade / refurbishment of EA's New Zealand PS	-	13,572.88	31/03/2025 (new date 27th June 2025)	CM undertaking modelling works to support outline justification whilst awaiting FDGiA.
IDB Flood Recovery (Tranche 2B) - Middle Drain (Tickhill) Improvements	Deepening, widening and de-silting of Board watercourses and repair of outfall.	582,661.00	-	31/03/2026	Part of IDB Flood Recovery bids - on reserved list, funding approved in May 2025
IDB Flood Recovery (Tranche 2B) - Kilham Farm to Candy Farm Reforming Works	Deepening, widening and de-silting of Board maintained watercourses and upgrading of road culvert.	429,679.20	-	31/03/2026	Part of IDB Flood Recovery bids submitted as Tranche 2 and 2B - Approved funding on 19th May 2025 - Forms awaited
IDB Flood Recovery (Tranche 2) - Water Level Monitoring Sites x 10	Installation of remote water level monitoring sites - comms linked up to Board's Telemetry system	90,325.00	-	31/03/2026	Identification / confirmation of site locations
Cadmans Pumping Station - Pump Replacement and repairs to access bridge	Replacement of pumps due to seal leak failures NB Replacement is more cost effective than refurbishment.	37,000.00		29/08/2025	PS dammed off with pipe through - Sump has been de-silted - Torishima have attended site to remeasure for new pump - Investigations continue into alternative pumps.
Low Ellers Pumping Station - Pump Repair	Repair of pump due to fractured shaft	Emergency Repair Budget	23,350	TBC	Pump has been reinstalled by industrial pumps but motor is missing.

1:3 Other Projects

The following projects are within the planned works programme for this year but are not being progressed due to lack of resource which has been diverted to focus on the more critical schemes, emergency works and the Flood Recovery Bids and projects:

Project and Tasks	Description of Works
Park Drain Slips (Bootham Lane)	Bank slips / tip slipping into watercourses
Huxterwell Drain Improvements	Improvements to Huxterwell Drain adjacent M18 where the FARRRs Road diverted the watercourse into a drain of insufficient capacity. Works to be funded by DMBC.
Park Drain Pumping Station Refurbishment	Rebuilding of the pumping station to fit fish and eel compliant pumps and delivery of Isle of Axholme Flood Risk Management Strategy aims.
High Level South Pumping Station – Health and Safety Improvements	Purchase of land to enable boundary fence to be erected and a dedicated weed dump area to be built.
Severn Arches Pumping Station Refurbishment	Refurbishment of pumping station including replacement of pumps, control panel, weedscreen, sheet pile painting and replacement fencing. Partial works being undertaken to replace control panel to make the station safe.
Blaxton Quarry Pumping Station Refurbishment	Refurbishment of pumping station including replacement of pumps, control panel and weedscreen. Isle of Axholme Flood Risk Management Strategy supports potential rationalisation with Candy Farm South.
Franklins PS Refurbishment	Refurbishment of pumping station including replacement of pumps, control panel, weedscreen. Isle of Axholme Flood Risk Management Strategy supports potential rationalisation with the EA's Bull Hassocks or Tunnel Pitts South.
Wood and Ealand Common Drain Study	Local Levy application for study and drain improvements to alleviate localised flooding.
Boating Dyke Study	Local Levy application for study for improvements to alleviate localised flooding and understand culvert capacity and restrictions.

Project and Tasks	Description of Works
Great Black Lane Tickhill Drainage Scheme	Local Levy application for study and drain improvements to alleviate localised flooding.

2. Matters for note

2:1 IDB Storm Recovery and Asset Improvement Scheme

- 2:1:1 An updated schedule of funding allocated under the IDB Storm Recovery and Asset Improvement Scheme for the Consortium is attached for members' information.
- 2:1:2 Schemes that were placed on the reserved list as part of Tranche 2B funding have been approved and awarded funding since the last meeting. These are Middle Drain (Tickhill) Catchment Improvements and Kilham Farm to Candy Farm Catchment Improvements.

2:2 Pump Replacements at Cadmans Pumping Station

- 2:2:1 The pumping station was recently dammed off and the pump basin de-silted to facilitate Torishima undertaking further measurements for the new pumps. Unfortunately, the pumps previously identified for the station will not fit. Torishima are investigating alternative options and have since advised an alternative Xylem (Flygt) pump that may be suitable.
- 2:2:2 An update will be made to a future meeting.

2:3 Newington Pumping Station Refurbishment

- 2:3:1 Works are completed at the station with two new fish friendly pumps and a new control panel installed. The automatic weedscreen cleaner has been refurbished and reinstalled and is due to be commissioned during week commencing 16th June 2025.
- 2:3:2 There is an issue with one of the two new pumps which will require a new VSD. This has been ordered and will be installed in the control panel shortly.
- 2:3:3 An update on the project will be given at the next Board meeting.

2.4 Kilham Farm – Weedscreen cleaner refurbishment

- 2:4:1 The weedscreen cleaner at the station has been out of service for some time. The Operations Team report that they regularly attend site to manually rake the screen.
- 2:2:2 The Board's M and E Engineer met with AIM Electrical Limited on site to discuss the option of repair and refurbishment of the machine.
- 2:2:3 A budget estimate has been received from AIM Electrical to refurbish the trolley and grab and install a full new control system in the amount of £31,655.53.

Recommendation:

To place an order with AIM Electrical to undertake a full refurbishment of the automatic weedscreen cleaner at Kilham Farm Pumping Station to be funded from the Pumping Station Emergency repair budget.

2:5 Transfer of Budgets**2:5:1 Remaining balances in schemes to close at 31st March 2025**

- 2:5:1:1 During the estimate process the Board allocates funds to schemes which require an annual budget to cover such expenditure as Emergency Pump Repairs, Drainage Investigations or Mink Control, to name but a few.
- 2:5:1:2 At the end of the financial year any remaining budgets are reviewed, and where appropriate, those funds are removed from the 2024 scheme and transferred to the 2025 schemes.

The following table shows those transfers:

<i>Scheme to close</i>	<i>Scheme Ref</i>	<i>Balance to transfer</i>	<i>Receiving Scheme</i>	<i>Scheme Ref</i>	<i>Sum received into scheme</i>
Asset renewals	DE24451	(£59,394.30)	Asset Renewals	DE25451	£59,394.30
Drainage Investigation	DE24801	(£32,429.79)	Drainage Investigation	DE25801	£32,429.79
Culvert CCTV and desilting	DE24450	(£22,495.00)	Culvert CCTV and desilting	DE25450	£22,495.00
Catchment Reviews	DE24800	(£20,000.00)	Catchment Reviews	DE25800	£20,000.00
Barn Owl Boxes	DE24600	(£1,994.91)	Barn Owl Boxes	DE25600	£1,994.91
Mink Control	DE24601	(£2,957.93)	Mink Control	DE25601	£2,957.93
Emergency Pump Repairs	DE24302	(£98,427.08)	Emergency Pump Repairs	DE25302	£98,427.08
Total		(£237,699.01)	Total		£237,699.01

2:5:2 Transfer of budgets from general reserves**Relating to Flood Recovery Funding**

- 2:5:2:1 Where the Board has received funds relating to the Flood Recovery Fund, this is firstly received into the general reserves and then subsequently transferred to the appropriate schemes.
- 2:5:2:2 Since the last Board meeting the Board has received additional Flood Recovery Funding relating to tranche 1 overspends of £150,000:

<i>Scheme requiring funds</i>	<i>Asset</i>	<i>Scheme Ref</i>	<i>Balance to transfer</i>
Emergency Pump Repairs	Torne Bridge	DE24302	£15,051.81
Emergency Pump Repairs	Kilham Farm	DE24302	£16,995.74
Emergency Pump Repairs	Sandall Grange	DE24302	£26,643.31
Emergency Pump Repairs	South Thorne	DE24302	£10.18
Emergency Pump Repairs	Cadmans	DE24302	£6,099.06
Emergency Pump Repairs	Park Drain	DE24302	£19,911.24
Newington PS Refurbishment	Newington PS	DE20305	£65,288.66
Total (from) / to general reserves			(£150,000.00)

2:5:3 Other Transfers

2:5:3:1 Cost relating to Low Ellers Pumping Station are attributable to the Board at a rate of 27%. The Board has incurred costs which have been recharged to the other partners at a rate of 2% Coal Authority/Mining Remediation, 22% Yorkshire Water and 49% Environment Agency. The Board's contribution to the costs is to be met from Reserves.

<i>Scheme requiring funds</i>	<i>Asset</i>	<i>Scheme Ref</i>	<i>Balance to transfer</i>
Low Ellers Pump Refurbishment	Low Ellers	DE19305	£6,033.28
Total (from) / to general reserves			(£6,033.28)

Recommendations:

- To approve the transfer of budgets for the year to 31st March 2025

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DONCASTER EAST INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD	File Ref:	Agenda Item: 18
Meeting: Board Meeting Date: 27th June 2025	Subject: ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT	

1. Overview (Current Focus and/or Status)

- 1:1 **Ecological Surveys** - The table below represents the areas of the Board in which ecological surveys are being undertaken. These surveys will enable the winter works programme and licensable monitoring of protected species. Badger sett monitoring and mitigation is also being undertaken in various areas, due to the sensitivity of the species, no locations are mentioned.

Drain Name & Catchment	Description of Works	Status	Concerns / Mitigation
Dadsley Well Stream Middle Drain and Outfall Slutwell Stream Wellingley Drain Tickhill	Flood Relief works	Some surveying undertaken in 2024, ongoing for 2025 EIA to include additional drains	Himalayan Balsam Access difficult Stancil Roman Villa requires communication with Historic England & local authorities Seek hydroseeding quotes Natural Flood Management options
Parsons Land Drain Park Drain	Reforming	Desktop and field surveys to do	TBC
Bank Drain Wike Well	Reforming	Desktop and field surveys to do	TBC
Colliery Branch Drain Waterton Hall	Reforming	Desktop and field surveys to do	TBC

Recommendation:

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