



Meeting Notes

Environmental Liaison Group Meeting No. 7



31 January 2012, 10:00 to 12:00

Principal Contract Project Office, Rosyth

Attendees:

Maggie Paterson	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT) - Chair
Rebecca Spalton	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Rebecca McClenaghan	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Niall Corbet	Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)
Colin Megginson	Marine Scotland (MS)
Rod McCullagh	Historic Scotland (HS)
Gavin Martin	City of Edinburgh Council (CEC)
Brian Carmichael	West Lothian Council (WLC)
Robert McIntosh	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Paul Hillman	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Zoe Miller	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Richard Docherty	John Graham (JG)
Kirsty Strannigan	John Graham (JG)
Roland Tarrant	Sisk Roadbridge (SRB)

Apologies for Absence:

Steven Brown	FRC Employer's Delivery Team
Elizabeth Morrison	FRC Employer's Delivery Team

Item	Subject	Description	Action
1	Introductions and apologies	All parties introduced themselves.	
2	Minutes of previous meeting(s)	EDT confirmed that the minutes from Environmental Liaison Group (ELG) meeting 5 are now available on the website and no comments were received on the draft minutes from ELG meeting 6.	
3	Actions from previous meeting (ELG 6)	EDT confirmed that the following actions remain outstanding or ongoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FCBC to submit a method statement for the role of their Landscape Clerk of Works (LCoW). EDT estuarine bird surveys are on-going – the second quarterly report to be issued to FCBC and SNH in February. SRB are awaiting consultation certificates from SEPA confirming consultation and approval of the compensatory storage at Niddry and Swine Burns. 	FCBC EDT SEPA
4	General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project update 	EDT confirmed the following key updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EDT and FCBC's team moved into the new site office 16/01/12. 1st delivery of plants for landscape planting 23/01/12. 	
	General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review/approval of environmental information for publication on website 	Environmental Management Plans (EMP) are to be updated periodically as required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dust monitoring results from Principal Contract and J1a for October and November 2011 have been published on the website. Air Quality Inspection sheet for dust deposition to be provided by JG. 	JG

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	General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complaints /issues arising 	The following queries and concerns were received during December 2011 and January 2012: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Principal Contract</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HGV's were inadequately covered when making deliveries around the Echline area. • <i>M9J1a</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Council has been enquiring and taking a keen interest in dust and air monitoring. ○ queries received from residents at Kirklands Park and Buie Rigg regarding location of gantries and provision of noise barriers. • EDT confirmed that all issues will be responded to. • SRB asked EDT for a copy of the response to be provided to the residents at Kirklands Park and Buie Rigg. 	EDT
5	Principal Contract (FCBC)	<p>Programme (3 month look ahead) <i>February-April 2012</i></p> <p><u>Construction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • programme is submitted to local residents and the NLG on a monthly basis. • planting to commence at Castlandhill week beginning 06/02/12. • 2nd production blast at Beamer Rock planned for 03/02/12. • site clearance of trees to be completed by mid February, before bird breeding season. • dredging to commence 3rd week of February • blasting at pier N2 to be undertaken mid February to April. • blasting at Whinny Hill to be undertaken late Feb/March. • foundations of the Central Tower to commence March. <p><u>Design</u></p> <p>The following Appendix R reports are to be submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUDS re-design at St Margaret's Marsh. • dredging (currently awaiting chemical results which will be discussed with Marine Scotland after the ELG meeting). • Southern SUDS Basin • Southern Launch Area <p>Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consultation regarding dredging is in progress. • consultation regarding blasting is in progress. • consultation regarding N2 blasting will be issued this week. <p>Noise monitoring of milling/grinding excavation works commenced 30/01/12. FCBC to forward results to SNH as soon as possible.</p> <p>FCBC confirmed that they require and are preparing an application for a licence from Forth Ports for all work to be undertaken in the estuary.</p> <p>EMP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCBC's updated air quality management plan is to 	

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		be issued to the relevant local authorities and the EMP then updated.	
6	Fife ITS (JG)	<p>Programme (3 month look ahead) <i>February 2012</i> Ongoing works at all gantries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • earthworks; • mine consolidation; • pavement works; • piling; and • ducting. <p>Traffic management layout to be altered to permit works in the central reservation.</p> <p><i>March 2012</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • visual barrier to be erected at G02F • planting to be undertaken at Gantries 02F and 19F <p><i>April 2012</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • road surfacing to begin. <p>Ecological Clerk of Works (ECoW)/ LCoW site visits ongoing on a minimum monthly basis or as required. A revised ECoW method statement has been submitted.</p> <p>Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vibration monitor has been installed at Park Lea (G02F) and Alice Drive at Cross Gates (G19F). No exceedences recorded to date. • Historic Scotland to review Archaeological Management Plan and provide JG with comments by 03/02/12. <p>EMP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMP to be submitted with updated Landscape Management Plan. • JG to submit latest inspection sheets for weekly dust monitoring. • groundwater monitoring on-going as part of the mine consolidation works. Latest results to be submitted. • Materials Transportation Strategy and Materials Register to be updated. 	<p>JG</p> <p>HS</p> <p>JG</p> <p>JG</p> <p>JG</p> <p>JG</p>
7	M9 J1A (SRB)	<p>Programme (3 month look ahead) <i>Ongoing works February-April 2012</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • earthworks • ducting • piling at gantries and bridges • erection of gantries • Swine Burn and Niddry Tributary culvert extension <p>Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • badger sett continues to be monitored. • CV for new ECoW submitted to EDT for approval. • Storm damaged trees checked by LCoW and aboriculturalist to ascertain felling requirements. <p>EMP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Materials Transportation Strategy, Green Travel Plan and Sustainable Resource Management Framework have been submitted. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dust monitoring increased from monthly to fortnightly. • surface water monitoring on-going. 	
8	Any other business	<p>CEC requested clarity regarding consultation by EDT and FCBC with CEC and residents for provision of air quality monitoring during construction.</p> <p>EDT gave assurance that air quality monitoring was being undertaken by FCBC in accordance with the Forth Crossing Act.</p> <p>FCBC to arrange a meeting with CEC as soon as possible to discuss and seek to address CEC's concerns.</p>	FCBC/CEC
9	Next meeting and venue	The next meeting will be held 28/02/12 at 10.00hrs in Principal Contract Project Office, Rosyth.	All