



Meeting Notes (Draft)



Noise Liaison Group Meeting No.29

05 December 2013, 10:00 to 11:30

Venue: FRC Project Office, Rosyth

Attendees:

David Climie	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT) (Chair)
Steven Brown	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Andrew Mackay	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Andy Butler	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
David Redden	Fife Council (FC)
Colin Goodsir	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Martin Wilson	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Neil Abraham	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)

Apologies for Absence:

Martin Butterfield	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Richard Greer	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Andy Officer	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Dermot Connolly	City of Edinburgh Council (CEC)
Brian Carmichael	West Lothian Council (WLC)
Tracy Wyllie	Fife Council (FC)
Mike Bland	Marine Scotland (MS)
David Brewster	West Lothian Council (WLC)
Niall Corbet	Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)
Carolyn Clark	Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)
Thomas Nilsson	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)

Item	Subject	Description	Action
1	Introductions and Apologies	EDT welcomed all parties to the meeting. Apologies were received from those parties listed above. It was noted that the high winds had closed the Forth Road Bridge which had prevented some members attending.	
2	Safety Procedures	All present were advised regarding safety and evacuation procedures.	
3	Minutes and Actions from Previous Meeting	The minutes of Meeting No. 28 held on 31 October were agreed. Actions from the previous meeting are as noted below.	
4	Principal Contract	<u>Actions from Previous Meeting No. 28</u>	
	(i)	EDT confirmed that any comments on the Vibration Report for the Scotstoun area complaint would be returned as soon as possible	EDT
	(ii)	Other actions were discussed under the separate agenda items below.	
		<u>Plans for Control of Noise and Vibration</u>	
	(iii)	FCBC advised that the following PCNVs had been approved in the period:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0008 Mod 07 – South Works 1 – Sunday Working 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0010 Mod 10 – North Works- Extended hours N Abutment • 0010 Mod 11 – North Works – Installation of Ducts B980 • 0021 Mod 14 – South E/works – Linemarking A904 • 0021 Mod 15b – South E/ works - AVS evening work • 0021 Mod 16 – South E/works – Linemarking A904 	
	(iv)	<p>FCBC advised that the following PCNVs have been submitted:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0010 Rev 06 – Update of work period. • 0022 Rev 01 – Tower and Pier Structural Works 	
	(v)	<p>FCBC advised that the following PCNV revisions would be submitted to the Employer for review in due course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0020 Rev 15 – Marine Foundations • 0027 Rev 05 - Batching Plant and Marine Yard • 0008 Rev 06 – Network Structures South 	FCBC
	(vi)	<p>EDT expressed concern regarding some of the timescales FCBC sought for the review by the NLG of modifications to PCNVs, particularly where this related to requests for working outside normal working hours. FCBC accepted that this is not acceptable and advised that they were making efforts with the construction teams, including raising NCRs.</p> <p>EDT suggested that they could assist in the explanation of the Contract requirements to the construction teams if this would assist FCBCs environmental team address the issue. FCBC to consider.</p>	FCBC
		<u>Monitoring</u>	
	(vii)	<p><u>Maximum Noise Level Threshold Exceedances</u></p> <p>FCBC advised that 2 evening /Night -time and 2 daytime exceedances of the maximum noise level thresholds had been recorded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Night at Butlaw Fisheries Society Road surfacing works. • 1 at Inchgarvie Lodge Night – Society Road surfacing works • 2 at Linn Mill – 2 Day. – Excavator movements on haul road <p>No further exceedances were recorded and no complaints had been received due to the exceedances. FCBC explained the investigations undertaken regarding the exceedances. No further action was considered necessary by the NLG in relation to the exceedances.</p>	
	(viii)	FCBC provided a review of the exceedances and the investigations undertaken.	
	(ix)	<p>FCBC advised that attended monitoring had been undertaken during the following activities:</p> <p>Society Road surfacing works. No exceedances were recorded. Additional monitoring was undertaken at the home of a recent complainant from Society Road.</p> <p>Generally all readings were found to be within Contract thresholds with only passing private cars recording non-compliant readings.</p> <p>Crushing works – Dundas – No exceedances of Contract levels. The crusher will be re-located towards the Echline area at some point in the future. FCBC to choose the locations carefully to limit any noise and vibration disruption to local residents.</p> <p>Gantry Test piles – M90 Spur – It was acknowledged that the cleaning of the auger did create additional noise. The piling company</p>	Note

		will be bringing an auger cleaner to site which should help to reduce cleaning noises. FCBC to provide an update at the next NLG meeting.	FCBC
	(x)	<p>FCBC gave a summary of proposed Noise Monitoring that is to be carried out in December. This was not an exhaustive list, but planned monitoring at this time includes:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NT Crane piling platform - currently ongoing • S3 Piling Works – Early December • ST Crane platform piling – December 	FCBC
		<u>Community Engagement</u>	
	(xi)	FCBC advised that they had received one complaint regarding noise and vibration since the last meeting. This related to early morning hammering on the North Shore. FCBC will contact the complainant for further details. It was noted the FRB had also been carrying out works on that night.	FCBC
		<u>Forward Programme</u>	
	(xii)	<p>The following items were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M90/A90 Gantry Structures – Test Piles • Shale deliveries • Approach Viaduct steel extended hours welding. 	
	(xiii)	Works to install test piles at the 3 gantries on the A90 and M90 spur had started with the M90 Spur location. Some noise related issues had been noted during attended monitoring and these will be addressed prior to the night time works proposed for February 2014. Acoustic screens and additional auger cleaning plant will be utilised. Further attended monitoring will be undertaken prior to evening/night working.	FCBC
	(xiv)	The discussions regarding the transportation of shale through Kirkliston are ongoing.	Note
	(xv)	<p>The Modification to PCNV21 for extension of hours at the Approach Viaduct steelwork was discussed. This work was due to be started w/c 2 Dec but was postponed until w/c 9 Dec. Attended monitoring will be undertaken at the start of the works. A complaint had been received from a local resident regarding these works which is being handled by the EDT. FCBC were reminded of the need to comply with the requirements of Section 5 of the CoCP.</p> <p>It was noted that the North Viaduct steel will require a similar amount of welding. Review of this will be undertaken early 2014.</p>	EDT Note
5	Next Meeting	The next meeting (No.30) will be held on 09 January 2014, 10am at the Ferrytoll site office.	
6	Any Other Business	<p>FCBC advised that Neil Abraham was leaving the company. His role would be covered by a re-organisation of the FCBC environmental staff.</p> <p>FCBC advised that Chris Higgins had been asked to attend the meeting, to answer any questions the NLG had on the viaduct steel welding,,but was unable to attend due to the weather.</p>	