





Meeting Notes

Marine Liaison Group Meeting No. 13

Venue: Exmouth Building, Rosyth

20 November 2013 14:00

Notes prepared by: Ken Clark

Participants & Distribution:			√, × , or N/a			
Initials	Name	Title	Organisation	In Attendance	Apologies	Distribution
вмо	Billy Minto		Employer's Delivery Team	V		V
RLD	Bob Lind		Employer's Delivery Team	√		$\sqrt{}$
PME	Paul Mellon		Employer's Delivery Team	V		V
MCK	Martyn Clark		Forth Ports Limited			V
KJN	Kelly Johnston		Forth Ports Limited		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
ANN	Ashley Nicholson		Forth Ports Limited	√		$\sqrt{}$
PDS	Peter Douglas		NLB			$\sqrt{}$
DSN	Duncan Sooman		Network Rail		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
LTS	Louise Thewlis		Police Scotland		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
TRS	Tony Rogers		Police Scotland		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
IMM	Ian Malcolm		Police Scotland		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
GGS	Gary Graves		Babcock PLC		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
MGR	Mick Grimmer		FRB		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
JML	Joe Mitchell		MCA		\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
DRS	Doug Ross		Port Edgar YC			$\sqrt{}$
PMN	Pat McLaughlin		Edinburgh Leisure		$\sqrt{}$	
KCK	Ken Clark		FCBC	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$
CCM	Charlie Common		FCBC		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
GCI	Carlo Germani		FCBC			

Item No.	Notes	Due Date	Action by
1	Introduction KCK welcomed all to the meeting and refreshed all on the safety and domestic arrangements.		
2	Marine Safety KCK asked the meeting to note there had been 5 reportable marine		

	safety occurrences associated with FCBC activity since the previous		
	MLG meeting.		Note
	 FCBC RIB reported to cross ahead of a ship in the main channel during the hours of darkness – closed out. RIB entered South Exclusion Zone – closed out Yacht, under sail, entered South Exclusion Zone – Closed out FCBC Crew boat had a close pass with a transiting merchant vessel during the hours of darkness. – under review with Forth Ports FCBC crew boat reported to cross ahead of transiting merchant vessel. – under review with Forth Ports 		
	KCK advised that operating procedures for the FCBC Rib had been reviewed and adjusted post the occurrence at point 1 above.		
	Post meeting note: Points 4 & 5 above were closed out with Forth Ports on 21 Nov 13.	21 Nov	Note
	DRS advised the meeting that there had been some over-talking on the VHF channel being used by East Coast Racing week. This was initially an inconvenience but was resolved with other users.		
	ANN requested and update on the occurrence around a tug earlier in the year. KCK advised it was in the final stages of closure.	30 Nov	кск
3.	Notes from Previous Meeting		
	Action points were noted as completed. Notes were agreed by all in attendance.		
	Notes to be passed to Transport Scotland web manager for publication	30 Nov	KCK
4.	Marine Liaison Group		Note
	Interim actions review for meeting No 13 conducted Oct.		11010
	Next interim action review meeting for Meeting No 14 to be arranged for Jan 14.	Jan 14	BMO / KCK
5.	Update on Marine Activity KCK updated all on the current marine activity asking the group to note the following:		
	N1 Viaduct – Foundation preparations North Tower – Foundation completed. Tower preps commenced. Central Tower –Tower construction - first form jump complete. South Tower – Foundation completed. Tower preps commenced. S1 Viaduct – Underwater concrete complete. S4 Viaduct – Foundation preparations.		Note
	34 Viauuci – Foundation preparations.		
6.	Future Programme KCK updated the meeting on the current 6 monthly look ahead programme. The main areas of effort over the forthcoming period will see work on all 3 towers with Central Tower in the vanguard reaching deck level by Easter 2014		Note
7.	Marine Matters Offshore:		
	KCK asked the meeting to note the following issues in relation to the Construction Exclusion Zones.		

	Number of small craft in the vicinity of the zones has reduced with the onset of the autumn. The 2 noted breaches were early in the period.		
	FCBC will up the information flow regarding zones to the leisure community in the spring months 2014 through the Forth Ports leisure users forum.	Mar 14	кск
	The towers cranes will be erected on the North and South Towers within the next 2 weeks.		
	FCBC and subcontractors will be changing out vessels, for maintenance, over the next few months. FCBC will update FTNS through routine channels.		Note
	KCK advise that the designed final level of the NT and S1 foundations had been adjusted. This has been discussed with Forth Ports who have confirmed there were no navigational safety issues with this change.		Note
	PME/ BLD advised that work was on-going into the final design for the scour protection at various locations along the bridge. When completed results will be discussed with Forth Ports for considerations with regard to navigational safety.	On -going	кск
	BMO requested confirmation that the locations for the navigation lights on the completed structure have been agreed by all parties; ANN, PDS and KCK confirmed this was the case.		Note
	On-Shore:		
	KCK advised the meeting that activity ashore in the Port of Rosyth had continued apace.		
	Preparation of the North wall yard for decking operations continues		
	 Forth Ports have successfully reworked cargo handling operations in the yard to accommodate FCBC activity. 		
	 2014 is already looking like a busy year in the port. Planning with all parties has commenced for the peak summer period. 		Note
10.	AOCB		
	ANN advised the meeting that Forth Ports now require all commercial craft operating on the river to be fitted with AIS. This has been advised to all through General Direction No 20 which came into force 18 Nov 13. It was noted that all FCBC vessels are fitted with this equipment.		Note
	ANN asked all to note that Forth Ports have introduced compulsory towage endorsements, as advised by the MCA scheme, and will require owners/ operators to prove competency of all masters when applying for Towage Licences.		Note
	RLD requested that the Christmas period planned activity and contact number be passed to all parties. KCK advised the programme was still under discussion. RLD's request was noted; information would be passed when available.	20 Dec	КСК
	DRS advised that Port Edgar Marine is due to change owner ship in April 2014. This noted, KCK will obtain details of new owners and invite to attend future meetings.	31 Jan	кск

11.	DoNM	
	19 th February 2014 – 1400, Exmouth Building, Port of Rosyth.	All