

# WITHAM FOURTH DISTRICT INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

## MINUTES

of the proceedings of the **Plant & Pumping Services Committee** at a Meeting held at the Board's Offices, 47 North Street, Sutton in Steadwick on **23 November 2017**

**Present:** J.E. Grant (Committee Chairman)

**Members:** T. Ashton P. Richardson  
P. Bedford A. East  
C. Boulton P. Skiver  
C. Davidson J. West  
R. F. Leggett R. Williams

### 1. **APOLOGUES FOR ABSENCE**

Apoloques for non-attendance were received from:-

**Members:** A. East

### 2. **ENGINEERING MANAGER'S ESTIMATES 2018/2019**

#### 2.1 **Plant Replacement Programme 2017/2018 – Current Year Update**

The Engineering Manager updated the Committee Members on progress in the current year:

Plant Item	Estimate	Cost	Comments
JCB JS 280 Excavator	£190,000	£190,000	To replace JCB JS200
Skidsteer 41-41 Trak	£20,000	£20,000	To replace Skidsteer 40
Loader 50 wheel loader	£5,000	£5,000	Estimate was for a 3m bucket
Wheel loader 4m wheel loader	£5,000	£7,000	Estimate was for a 3m bucket
Apex 100 vertical mixer	£5,000	£5,000	
Wheel loader 4m wheel loader	-	£5,000	Additional item not in estimate – 200-100
<b>Total</b>	<b>£210,000</b>	<b>£237,000</b>	

The Engineering Manager confirmed that there had been an increase in costs as a result of buying the wheel loader instead of the 3m previously used. Given the increased output achieved with the 5m bucket, a 4m bucket was purchased to fit to the Atlas 100 L1 excavator which has also proved to be a success. The Chairman added that we had also purchased the larger 200 machine to replace the 220 to cope with the larger bucket. The Engineering Manager added that the JS200 had a backup rig whereas the 200 had the standard rig which was the preferred option.

#### 2.2 **Plant Replacement Programme 2018/2019**

The Engineering Manager confirmed that the expenditure for the next six years was shown and the amount was in good shape.

The Engineering Manager confirmed that the next item to consider is the disposal of the 200. This is a crane purchased in 1975 which is no longer used. The crane has a number of issues and is insufficient space for undercover storage. There is no suitable location to put it on display without it being a hindrance to the day to day work in the Depot. The 200 (as previously confirmed) but we were lucky to find a second hand replacement (in excellent good condition) will become a safety issue due to corrosion and can no longer be repaired