

HUMBER BRIDGE BOARD

Special Meeting

27th November, 2009

PRESENT:-

Councillor D.W. Gemmell (in the Chair), Councillor K. Vickers (Vice Chair), Councillors K. Branson, S. Chaytor, P. Davison, A.K. Gosling, M.R. Grant (sub for A. Smith), A.C. Gurevitch, A. Healand, R. Hudson, A.K. Ibson, M. Taylor (sub for N. Burton), T. Turner (sub for I. Fleetwood), M. Uzzell, Y. Uzzell (sub for A. Williams), D. Wells. D. Whiteley (sub for D. Barkworth), and J. Wilkinson.

IN ATTENDANCE:-

Mr. K. Ryley (Clerk to the Board), Mr. P. Hill (General Manager and Bridgemaster), Mrs S. Belfield. Mr P. Bucknall, and Miss L. Ellis (Legal, Corporate Finance and Democratic Services, Hull City Council).

APOLOGIES:-

Councillors D. Barkworth, M. Bristow, N. Burton, J.L. Fareham, I.G. Fleetwood, M. Glew, A. Smith, A. Williams.

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3982		DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - No declarations of interest were made in respect of the items that follow below.
3983	28	MONITORING OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT GRANT EXPENDITURE – The Clerk referred to the Board meeting held on 28 October 2009 (minute 3874 refers) and submitted a report which provided information to members of the Bridge Board in relation to the proposed monitoring of the recently agreed exceptional DfT grant expenditure, in order to ensure that the conditions of the grant are met and the full grant is utilised. The report sought approval from members for an appropriate monitoring process to be set up quickly. Agreed – That the proposed monitoring scheme set out at Appendix 1 attached to the report be adopted.
3984	29	REVIEW OF DELEGATIONS – The Clerk submitted a report which provided information to members in relation to a

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		<p>review and update for the Board's Scheme of Delegations. The report also sought members' approval to amend the Scheme, in order to give a higher level of more direct operational control and authority to the General Manager and Bridgemaster.</p> <p>Agreed – That the proposed amendments to the Scheme of Delegation contained in the Schedule to the Standing Orders, as set out in Appendix 1 to this report, be approved.</p>
3985		<p>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC – Agreed – That in accordance with the provisions of Board's Standing Orders 14 and 15, the public (including the Press) be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, minutes 3986, 3987, 3988, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information (as defined in paragraph 3 and 5, of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972).</p>
3986	30	<p>APPOINTMENT OF CONTRACTOR – INSTALLATION OF MAIN SUSPENSION CABLE DEHUMIDIFICATION AND MONITORING EQUIPMENT – The General Manager and Bridgemaster submitted a report which sought approval to appoint a contractor to undertake the above works.</p> <p>Agreed – That the General Manager and Bridgemaster be instructed to appoint Spencers Ltd to provide the services described in the contract for the above works.</p>
3987	31	<p>APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES – SUPERVISION OF MAIN CABLE DEHUMIDIFICATION AND ACOUSTIC MONITORING EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION – The General Manager and Bridgemaster submitted a report which sought approval of the Board to appoint a specialist consultant to assist Board officers in supervising the installation of equipment to remove moisture from within the main suspension cables and equipment to acoustically monitor the same.</p> <p>Agreed - That the General Manager and Bridgemaster be instructed to appoint AECOM consultancy to provide the services described in the contract for the above works.</p> <p>Peter Hill left the meeting at this point prior to the Board's consideration of the matter below.</p>

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3988	32	REVIEW OF REMUNERATION FOR THE POST OF GENERAL MANAGER AND BRIDGEMASTER – The Clerk submitted a report which provided information to the Bridge Board on the outcomes of a recent review of the remuneration for the post of General Manager and Bridgemaster, and sought members' views on whether any changes should be made to this.

Agreed –

- (a) That no changes be made to the present salary level or wider remuneration package for the post of General Manager and Bridgemaster, and
- (b) that the remuneration of this post be reviewed again when there is a clear deficit in the level of this, in relation to other, comparable private sector posts, and if there is difficulty in retaining the current postholder, or in recruiting someone of suitable calibre to the post.

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