

ATTENDANCE NOTE

RAMSEY IDB – R01107.0011

NOTES OF ANNUAL DRAINAGE INSPECTION Held on the 21.03.2014

1. **Stocking Fen Pumping Station:** Since the overhaul the pump has been performing well and the District Office has no complaints.
2. **Puddling at Community centre:** The collection of water which showed that the soakaways were not performing satisfactorily has now cleared. We have had extreme conditions. The problem of puddling should be resolved when the development at the bottom end of Stocking Fen takes place. A drain will be put in and a formal consent given by the Board to enable surface water to discharge under Stocking Fen Road into the district drain. The situation needs closely monitoring.
3. **Derek Smith's concerns at the new roadway installed by John Shotbolt:** The Commissioner's agreed that Derek's concerns did have some substance. The pipe seems too small in diameter and the ground works could result in a problem. However, nothing carried out by John Shotbolt has impeded any existing drainage channel and the Board therefore has no power to intervene.
4. **Britannia Alarms:** The Stocking Fen Pumping Station alarm sometimes goes off unexpectedly for no reason. It is high time that the alarms on both pumping stations were serviced and the Clerk will arrange.
5. **The gate to the road leading to Stocking Fen Pumping Station:** It was agreed that the gate should be kept locked. The District Officer will purchase a chain and combination lock, provide a list of all the people who use the gate, and provide them the combination number to those people.
6. **Inspection of the District Drain at Mill Road:** there was nothing to report.
7. **Lodes End Pumping Station:** John Skoulding said that he would be satisfied that if for the time being we fenced off the site of the old pumping station properly with a post and chain link fence. The holes left where the inlets and outlets and sump were should be plated over. The District Officer will contact Grangewards to get an estimate. Ultimately, when the whole site is re-developed with the wizzcream cleaner, the grant for such work being delayed until after 2017, the whole area can be grassed off and works carried out to infill the area of the river which consists of the sump for the intake where there is a potential danger of people falling in.
8. **Lodes End Pumping Station:** The Middle Level engineer currently confirms that there is not a problem with the electrical switch gear. However, should faults arise in the future, the contacts might be able to be replaced. Alternative, it may be a case of replacing all of the electrical switch gear and it would be prudent to set aside £7,000 as a reserve to meet the cost of this.

**John A R Chrisp
Clerk to the Board**