

**A MEETING OF THE EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD WAS HELD IN THE BLYTH ROOM AT EAST SUFFOLK HOUSE, STATION ROAD, MELTON, WOODBRIDGE IP12 1RT ON MONDAY, 08 JUNE 2026 AT 10.00 AM.**

| <b>Elected Members</b> |                 | <b>Appointed Members</b> |                             |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                        | J Cooke         |                          | <b>Ipswich BC</b>           |
| *                      | J Foscett       |                          | P Smart                     |
|                        | <b>Vacancy</b>  |                          |                             |
|                        | Sir E Greenwell |                          | <b>Mid Suffolk DC</b>       |
|                        | N Hardingham    | *                        | T Davis                     |
| *                      | C Loyd          |                          |                             |
|                        | C Mann          |                          | <b>East Suffolk Council</b> |
|                        | R Mann          | * v                      | D Beavan                    |
| *                      | J Marson        |                          | T Daly                      |
| *                      | M Paul          | * v                      | S Plummer                   |
|                        |                 | *                        | R Smithson                  |
|                        |                 | <b>Jointly Appointed</b> |                             |
|                        |                 | P Byatt                  |                             |
|                        |                 | Present (47%)            |                             |

Jane Marson in the Chair

In attendance / ^Virtual Attendance:

\*Katie Byrne (Business Support Officer), \*^Marcus Coleman (Chief Executive), \*Tom Hunter (Area Manager – East Anglia), \*^Sallyanne Jeffrey (Chief Financial Officer), \*^Kari Nash (Project Delivery Manager) and Mark Ogden (Sustainable Development Manager)

| <b>ID East Suffolk WMB, Minute</b>                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Action</b> |
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| <b>29/26 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |               |
| <b>29/26/01</b>                                         | The Chairman welcomed Mark Ogden to his first meeting of the East Suffolk WMB. Apologies for absence were received from Cathryn Brady, Jack Cooke, Tom Daly, Sir Edward Greenwell, Nick Hardingham, Caroline Laburn, Chris Mann, Richard Mann, Matthew Philpot and Philip Smart. |               |
| <b>30/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |               |
| <b>30/26/01</b>                                         | There were no declarations of interest reported.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |               |
| <b>31/26 GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY REGISTER FOR 2025/26</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |               |

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| 31/26/01 | <p>The Chief Financial Officer asked all Board members to declare any gifts and hospitality over the value of £40 which they had received between 1 April 2025 and 31 March 2026 before Friday 26 June 2026. RESOLVED that this be actioned.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | All members |
|          | <p><b>32/26 MINUTES OF THE LAST BOARD MEETING</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |
| 32/26/01 | <p>The minutes of the last Board meeting held on 26 January 2026 were approved, signed and confirmed as a true record. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |
|          | <p><b>33/26 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ALDE &amp; ORE WORKS COMMITTEE 11 MARCH 2026</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |
| 33/26/01 | <p>The recommendations arising from the unconfirmed minutes of the Alde &amp; Ore Works Committee meeting held on 11 March 2026 were considered in detail and approved. Arising therefrom:</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |
| 33/26/02 | <p>The Area Manager confirmed a guest speaker from NFU would be invited to the next meeting of the Alde and Ore in November to discuss looking at the embankment works. RESOLVED that this be noted.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |
|          | <p><b>34/26 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ALDE &amp; ORE WORKS COMMITTEE 06 MAY 2026</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |             |
| 34/26/01 | <p>The recommendations arising from the unconfirmed minutes of the Alde &amp; Ore Works Committee meeting held on 06 May 2026 were considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |
|          | <p><b>35/26 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE RIVER DEBEN CATCHMENT WORKS COMMITTEE 06 MAY 2026</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |
| 35/26/01 | <p>The recommendations arising from the unconfirmed minutes of the River Deben Catchment Works Committee meeting held on 6 May 2026 were considered in detail and approved. Arising therefrom:</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |
| 35/26/02 | <p><b>Flooding Issues at Ufford (02/26/03)</b></p> <p>James Foskett raised concerns regards the failure of an EA outfall structure at Sutton and the impact it is having on the land within the Shottisham catchment. James Foskett asked that the Area Manager speak to the EA's Suffolk team to highlight the Board's concerns. The Chairman suggested we add a timeline for repair works. The Area Manager agreed to speak with the Environment Agency (EA) with a view to accelerating or instigating action and would report back to the Board.</p> |             |

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| <p><b>36/26 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S COMMITTEE<br/>30 APRIL 2026</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |        |
| <p><b>36/26/01</b> The recommendations arising from the unconfirmed minutes of the Chairman's Committee meeting held on 30 April 2026 were considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| <p><b>37/26 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE PERFORMANCE REVIEW</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
| <p><b>37/26/01</b> The Health, Safety and Welfare Performance Report (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), was considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |        |
| <p><b>38/26 PROJECT DELIVERY REPORT</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |        |
| <p><b>38/26/01</b> The Project Delivery Report, (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), was considered in detail and approved. Arising therefrom:</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |        |
| <p><b>38/26/02 FCERM (1.2.)</b></p> <p>The Project Delivery Manager highlighted there was still a lack of detail of which projects would receive funding. The Project Delivery Manager confirmed that projects needing replacements would receive funding for the first £3 million, followed by 90% thereafter. The Project Delivery Manager apprised the Board that how projects will be prioritised against each other nationally was still unclear. RESOLVED that this be noted.</p> |        |
| <p><b>38/26/03 Alde &amp; Ore Estuary Maintenance Programme (2.)</b></p> <p>The Project Delivery Manager apprised the Board that over the last few months the proposal for a five year rolling maintenance programme has been presented to the A&amp;O works committee, the EA, the AOET, the AOCP and the AOA AGM and all had agreed in principal to the plan. RESOLVED that this be noted.</p>                                                                                        |        |
| <p><b>38/26/04</b> The Board unanimously agreed to the recommendation to allocate £45k from the Public Works loan in 2026/27, as the Board's contribution towards the Partnership Projects Engineer role to develop a prioritised five-year programme of works. RESOLVED that this be noted.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| <p><b>38/26/05</b> The Board unanimously agreed to the recommendation to match-fund the contribution from the AOET with up to £250,000 from the Public Works Loan as the Board's contribution towards the works in 2027/28. If the AOET is unsuccessful in securing match funding, approval must be sought from the Board before any expenditure from the Public Works Loan is incurred.</p>                                                                                            |        |

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| <p><b>39/26 OPERATIONS REPORT</b></p> <p><b>39/26/01</b> The Operations Report (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), was considered in detail and approved. Arising therefrom:</p> <p><b>39/26/02 Main River – Hollesley pumped drain (3.1.)</b></p> <p>The Board emphasised the urgent need for de-maining. The Chief Executive confirmed that nine regional ADA branches have a meeting on the 25 June to discuss de-maining with Defra and the Environment Agency (EA). The Chief Executive confirmed he will use this opportunity to feed in communications from this meeting and hopefully share information with local MPs. The Area Manager confirmed that he was working with the Environment Agency (EA) on a number of asset issues that are impacting the IDB districts across Norfolk and Suffolk. Whilst action on some had been possible, the Area Manager highlighted the risk that the IDBs need to be mindful of taking on responsibility without the income or authority which would only be possible through demaining.. RESOLVED that this be actioned.</p> <p><b>39/26/03 Complaints (5.)</b></p> <p>The Area Manager confirmed that at the time of writing, no complaints had been recorded. A Landowner at Iken has since written to the ESWMB with a complaint about insufficient drainage. The Area Manager and Chairman agreed to have a further discussion offline. RESOLVED that this be actioned.</p> <p><b>39/26/04 Fuel Costs</b></p> <p>The Area Manager agreed to look further at the fuel costs and strategic procurement and report back to the Board. RESOLVED that this be actioned.</p> | <p></p> <p><b>MC</b></p> <p></p> <p><b>TH/JM</b></p> <p></p> <p><b>TH</b></p> |
| <p><b>40/26 CATCHMENT SERVICES REPORT</b></p> <p><b>40/26/01</b> The Catchment Services Report, (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), was considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.</p> <p><b>41/26 SCHEDULE OF PAID ACCOUNTS</b></p> <p><b>41/26/01</b> The Schedule of Paid Accounts for the period 01 December 2025 to 31 March 2026 totalling £430,045.60 (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), was considered in detail, and approved for publication on the WMA Group's website. Arising therefrom:</p> <p><b>41/26/02</b> Charles Loyd asked the Chief Financial Officer about the processes in place to ensure the Board is carrying out due diligence when paying large sums of money to suppliers and contractors. RESOLVED that</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p><b>SJ</b></p>                                      |

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| <p>this be actioned.</p> <p>[Post Meeting Note: Procurement of materials and services along with approvals of the orders and payments relating to these are carried out in accordance with the <a href="#">Financial Regulations</a>. The financial regulations are in the process of being updated and will be reviewed by WMA's CMC in September 2026].</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |        |
| <p><b>42/26 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT FOR 2025/26</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |        |
| <p><b>42/26/01</b> The detailed Internal Audit Report for 2025/26 and the Internal Audit Report that forms part of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2025/26 as prepared by the Board's Internal Auditor, together with the Management Team's responses and agreed actions, (copies of which are filed in the Report Book), were considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| <p><b>43/26 APPOINTMENT OF THE INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2026/27</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| <p><b>43/26/01</b> It was agreed and thereby RESOLVED to reappoint TIAA as the Board's Internal Auditor for 2026/27. In doing so, the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) is satisfied that the Internal Auditor is independent (see Practitioners' Guide 2025 Paragraphs 1.35 and 4.11);</li> <li>(ii) approves the internal audit programme of work for 2026/27 (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book), having regard to the key risks identified in the Risk Register (see Practitioners' Guide 2025 Paragraphs 1.34 and 4.16); and</li> <li>(iii) is satisfied with regard to the competence of the Internal Auditor and approves the letter of engagement (see Practitioners' Guide 2025 Paragraphs 1.35, 4.1 and 4.13).</li> </ul> |        |
| <p><b>44/26 FINANCIAL REPORT</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |
| <p><b>44/26/01</b> The Financial Report for the period 01 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 and reconciliation to the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ending 31 March 2026, was considered in detail, and approved, (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book). There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| <p><b>45/26 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN (AGAR) 2025/26</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |
| <p><b>45/26/01</b> The Annual Governance Statement shown in Section 1 of the East Suffolk Water Management Board AGAR for the year ended 31 March 2026, was considered in detail and approved.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |

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| 45/26/02 | The Accounting Statements shown in Section 2 of the East Suffolk Water Management Board AGAR for the year ended 31 March 2026 were considered in detail and approved.                                                                                                                                                  |        |
|          | <b>46/26 DATE OF COMMENCEMENT PERIOD FOR THE EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |        |
| 46/26/01 | It was agreed and thereby RESOLVED to publish the notice for the exercise of public rights on the Board's website and in the office reception, that the Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2026 would be available for inspection for the 30-working day period commencing 19 June 2026 and ending on 30 July 2026. |        |
|          | <b>47/26 MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE RISK REGISTER</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |        |
| 47/26/01 | Members considered and approved the risk register for those risks with a risk assessment matrix score of $\geq 6$ (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book). Arising therefrom:                                                                                                                                    |        |
| 47/26/02 | The Chief Executive confirmed that the risk regards theft of fuel needs increasing on the risk register. RESOLVED that this be actioned.                                                                                                                                                                               | MP     |
|          | <b>48/26 COMPLAINTS, CORRESPONDENCE AND FEEDBACK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |        |
| 48/26/01 | The Official Complaints and Other Feedback Report (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book) was considered in detail and approved. There were no matters arising.                                                                                                                                                  |        |
|          | <b>49/26 DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |
| 49/26/01 | The next Board meeting would take place at 10.00 am on Monday, 12 October 2026 in the Blyth Room at East Suffolk House, Woodbridge and via MS Teams. RESOLVED that this be noted.                                                                                                                                      |        |
|          | <b>50/26 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| 50/26/01 | The Chairman apprised the Board that after 35 years with the Board, Richard Mann would be stepping down from the Board. Richard would like to put his son, Toby Mann, forward to be co-opted onto the Board in October. The Chairman wanted to thank Richard for his years of service. RESOLVED that this be noted.    |        |
|          | <b>51/26 OPEN FORUM: TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WITH LEAVE OF THE CHAIRMAN</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |

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| <p><b>51/26/01</b> There were no members of the public present.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |        |
| <p><b>52/26 CONSORTIUM MATTERS</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |
| <p><b>52/26/01 Unconfirmed Minutes and Report Extracts</b></p> <p>The unconfirmed minutes and report extracts from the last Consortium Management Committee (CMC) meeting held on 24 April 2026 were considered in detail and adopted. Arising therefrom:</p>                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| <p><b>52/26/02 WMA Policies for Review</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |
| <p><b>52/26/03</b> The WMA Policies for Review (a copy of which is filed in the Report Book) was considered in detail and noted. There were no matters arising.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |        |
| <p><b>52/26/04 Items for discussion at the next CMC meeting</b></p> <p>There were no issues raised by members for discussion at the next CMC meeting on 26 June 2026. Should members wish to raise any item for discussion at the next meeting, they should contact any of the Board's representatives: the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the substitute member Sir Edward Greenwell or the Chief Executive directly.</p> |        |
| <p><b>53/26 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |        |
| <p><b>53/26/01</b> It was agreed and thereby RESOLVED to exclude the public from the next part of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, in accordance with Section 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Board's Standing Orders.</p>                                                                                                                      |        |

**A MEETING OF THE EAST SUFFOLK WMB ALDE AND ORE WORKS COMMITTEE WAS HELD AT THE ORFORD TOWN HALL, MARKET HILL, ORFORD, SUFFOLK ON WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH 2026 AT 2:00 PM.**

| <b>Elected Members</b> | <b>Elected Members</b> |
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| J Cook                 | * A Howe               |
| M Cordie               | R Mann                 |
| J Golder               | * J Marson             |
| A Greenwell            | T Massey               |
| * Sir E Greenwell      | * R Skepper            |
| * Major J Greenwell    | * D Waring             |
|                        | G Watson               |
|                        | * Present (77%)        |

J Marson in the Chair

In attendance:

T Hunter (WMA Eastern Area Manager and Minutes)  
M Philpot (WMA Chief Operating Officer)  
M Coleman (WMA Chief Executive)

Andrew St Joseph – Guest speaker  
Toby Mann (attended on behalf of Richard Mann)

Alison Andrews (AOCP)  
Jane Maxim (AOET)

| <b>ID</b>       | <b>East Suffolk WMB: Alde and Ore Works Committee</b>                                                                                                                                         | <b>Action</b> |
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| <b>01/26</b>    | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>                                                                                                                                                                  |               |
| <b>01/26/01</b> | Apologies for absence were received on behalf of R Mann (Toby Mann attended in his place)                                                                                                     |               |
| <b>02/26</b>    | <b>MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING</b>                                                                                                                                                  |               |
| <b>02/26/01</b> | The minutes of the last Committee meeting held on 3 December 2025 were considered and approved as a true record. Arising therefrom:                                                           |               |
| <b>02/26/02</b> | A Howe noted that he drafted a basic template for an emergency plan for consideration.                                                                                                        |               |
| <b>03/26</b>    | <b>ESTUARY WORKS PROGRAMME – FORWARD LOOK</b>                                                                                                                                                 |               |
| <b>03/26/01</b> | M Philpot outlined a proposal for a programme of works on the estuary flood defences in lieu of the larger capital programme. The proposal details are to be shared once agreed with partners |               |

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| <p>including the ESWMB, AOET, AOCP and the EA. The key focus of the proposal is to develop and deliver a 5-year programme of targeted work to halt ongoing decline of the existing flood defences and return them to a target condition. The work will be funded through the ESWMB public works loan, contributions from the AOET and any allocated funds received by the EA. The WMA have recruited an engineer who will be available to lead this work on behalf of the ESWMB and partners. A key factor in the viability of the project will be establishing an efficient and open way of working with the EA including the sharing of data, continued bidding for work by the EA for flood defence GiA allocation and delivery of works through a public sector cooperation agreement between the ESWMB and EA. Early discussions with the EA have been positive.</p> <p><b>03/26/02</b> D Waring queried if the proposal was enabling managed retreat by the EA. M Philpot clarified that the proposal was to ensure defences are maintained and that the process proposed is that the defences remain EA assets and they continue to inspect them and bid for funding. The ESWMB will then undertake the work on the assets on behalf of the EA.</p> <p><b>03/26/03</b> J Marson suggested that Sizewell C may be a further possible funding source to be considered.</p> <p><b>03/26/04</b> It was noted that the AOET wish to keep the Estuary Plan live and that the change from the capital scheme to a programme of targeted works will require careful communication with their stakeholders and contributors. The nature of the work was discussed. Some of the work will be maintenance while some of the work will likely be reconditioning work. T Hunter provided an overview of similar works already being undertaken by the Broads IDB on behalf of the EA on flood defence embankments in the Broads and Waveney area.</p> <p><b>03/26/05</b> A Howes and Major J Greenwell shared an idea for compartmentalising some flood cells such as at Boyton Marshes. The idea being to reduce the potential flood area to add wider resilience or provide efficiencies. M Philpot noted this and stated that the engineering resource the available through the WMA will be able to collate and investigate such ideas.</p> |        |
| <p><b>04/26 GUEST PRESENTATION</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |
| <p><b>04/26/01</b> Andrew St Joseph from the Essex Coastal Owners group provided an interesting presentation on the collaborative way landowners have recently been able to work with the EA to deliver relatively small-scale repairs to coastal flood defences in Essex. As a coordinated group, landowners have been successful at obtaining permits and funding from the EA to carry out essential repairs. The presentation included reflection on successes and challenges, some of which will be in common with the Alde and Ore Estuary.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |

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| <p>East Suffolk WMB: Alde and Ore Works Committee</p> <p>Considering the input of landowners in Essex, it was suggested that the NFU could help support the A&amp;O work and that Rob Wise may be a useful link.</p> |        |
| <p><b>05/26 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                             |        |
| <p><b>05/26/01</b> The next Committee meeting was agreed to be held at 1:00pm on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026, at Orford Town Hall.</p>                                                                                   |        |
| <p><b>06/26 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| <p><b>06/26/01</b> None</p>                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |

**A MEETING OF THE EAST SUFFOLK WMB ALDE AND ORE WORKS COMMITTEE WAS HELD AT THE ORFORD TOWN HALL, MARKET HILL, ORFORD, SUFFOLK ON WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2026 AT 1:00 PM.**

| <b>Elected Members</b> | <b>Elected Members</b> |
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| * J Cook               | * A Howe               |
| * M Cordie             | R Mann                 |
| * J Golder             | * J Marson             |
| A Greenwell            | * T Massey             |
| Sir E Greenwell        | R Skepper              |
| Major J Greenwell      | D Waring               |
|                        | G Watson               |
|                        | * Present (54%)        |

J Marson in the Chair

In attendance:

T Hunter (WMA Eastern Area Manager and Minutes)  
G Glasgow (WMA Senior Projects Engineer)

| <b>ID</b>       | <b>East Suffolk WMB: Alde &amp; Ore Works Committee</b>                                                                                                             | <b>Action</b> |
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| <b>07/26</b>    | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>                                                                                                                                        |               |
| <b>07/26/01</b> | Apologies for absence were received on behalf of R Mann, Major J Greenwell and Sir E Greenwell.                                                                     |               |
| <b>08/26</b>    | <b>MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING</b>                                                                                                                        |               |
| <b>08/26/01</b> | The minutes of the last Committee meeting held on 11 March 2026 were considered and approved as a true record. Arising therefrom:                                   |               |
| <b>08/26/02</b> | A Howe noted that a proposal to create a new cross bank at Boyton Marshes was progressing. It was suggested this be included as an agenda idea at the next meeting. | <b>KB</b>     |
| <b>08/26/03</b> | J Marson noted the need for flood defence works to consider the value of and protecting the freshwater aquifer.                                                     |               |
| <b>08/26/04</b> | At the last meeting it was suggested that the NFU may be able to help support the A&O work. Action agreed to invite Rob Wise to the next A&O Committee meeting.     | <b>KB</b>     |
| <b>09/26</b>    | <b>ESTUARY WORKS PROGRAMME – UPDATE</b>                                                                                                                             |               |

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| 09/26/01 | T Hunter introduced G Glasgow as the WMA officer leading on the estuary works. A verbal update on data gathering and how asset condition will be used to develop the works programme was provided by G Glasgow. It was noted that the WMA officers were relying on the provision of asset data from the EA, but this was in progress. |        |
| 09/26/02 | G Glasgow explained that he would be starting to undertake site visits in mid-May and appreciated the committee's introductions to relevant landowners.                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
|          | <b>10/26 ESWMB MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS – UPDATE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |
| 10/26/01 | T Hunter provided a verbal update on maintenance works and operational matters.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
| 10/26/02 | A Howes asked if the R Tang was on the programme. There is concern that the drainage system does not function due to excessive reed growth. T Hunter explained that the function of the EA's outfall was a concern and agreed to discuss this with the Operations Manager.                                                            | TH     |
|          | <b>11/26 NEXT MEETING DATE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| 11/26/01 | The next Committee meeting was agreed to be held at 1:00pm on 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2026, at Orford Town Hall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |
|          | <b>12/26 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
| 12/26/01 | G Glasgow noted that he would appreciate any information on the function of the EA outfall sluice at Snape.                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |        |

**A MEETING OF THE EAST SUFFOLK WMB RIVER DEBEN CATCHMENT WORKS COMMITTEE WAS HELD AT THE STABLES, WHERSTEAD PARK, WHERSTEAD, IPSWICH ON WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2026 AT 9:00 AM.**

| <b>Elected Members</b> | <b>Elected Members</b> |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| * R Adams              | * C Mann               |
| * J Foscett            | * M Paul               |
| * S Hollingsworth      | B Pipe                 |
| * B Kerr               | D Brien                |
| * T Wilkinson          | Vacancy                |
|                        | Vacancy                |
|                        | Vacancy                |

\* Present (70%)

Mr M Paul in the Chair

In attendance:

Mr Tom Hunter (Area Manager and Minutes)

| <b>ID</b>       | <b>East Suffolk WMB: River Deben Catchment Works Committee</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Action</b> |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>01/26</b>    | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |               |
| <b>01/26/01</b> | Apologies for absence were received on behalf of D Brien and B Pipe.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |               |
| <b>02/26</b>    | <b>MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |               |
| <b>02/26/01</b> | The minutes of the last Committee meeting held on 3 December 2025 were considered and approved as a true record. Arising therefrom:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |               |
| <b>02/26/02</b> | <b>Committee Membership (11/25/02)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
|                 | Members noted that the committee still did not have representation from the Upper Deben area and that it would be valuable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |               |
| <b>02/26/03</b> | <b>Flooding Issues at Ufford (11/25/03)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |               |
|                 | J Foscett raised concern over the recent failure of a spillway on the main river Deben at Ufford, and the condition of the assets was an argument for pushing de-maining. T Hunter explained that WMA officers were working with the EA and landowners to provide options for maintenance, with some de-silting of the now dry channel possible later in the summer. T Hunter to report on progress at the next meeting. | <b>TH</b>     |

| ID              | East Suffolk WMB: River Deben Catchment Works Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Action |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| <b>03/26</b>    | <b>DEBEN ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP (DEP) UPDATE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |        |
| <b>03/26/01</b> | There was no representation from the DEP. WMA to write again to DEP to request an update report.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |
| <b>04/26</b>    | <b>UPDATE ON THE MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |        |
| <b>04/26/01</b> | The Area Manager presented the report on maintenance work and projects completed. Arising therefrom:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| <b>04/26/02</b> | M Paul noted the Kingsfleet Angling Club's ongoing interest in undertaking maintenance to the Kingsfleet. T Hunter explained that this was already adopted by the ESWMB as a 'main drain' and that officers were aware that the Angling Club had been looking at the cost of de-silting beyond the scope required by the Board for conveyance. T Hunter agreed to contact the Kingsfleet Angling Club to confirm their requirements and advise on consenting. | TH     |
| <b>04/26/03</b> | R Adams noted that the section of the Kingsfleet at Brook Cottage still required maintenance. TH agreed to look into this with the Operation Manager.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | TH     |
| <b>04/26/04</b> | C Mann noted that works were progressing on site at Bawdsey to remove crossing for the new cable works.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
| <b>05/26</b>    | <b>UPDATE ON THE FCERM-GIA CAPITAL REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        |
| <b>05/26/01</b> | The Area Manager provided an verbal update on behalf of the capital projects team. No matters arising.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| <b>06/26</b>    | <b>NEXT MEETING DATE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |
| <b>06/26/01</b> | The next Committee meeting is scheduled be held at 9:00am on 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2026, at The Stables, Wherstead Park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        |
| <b>07/26</b>    | <b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |        |
| <b>07/26/01</b> | J Foskett noted concern over the EA outfall sluice at Sutton. The EA had attended site but a backflow of saline water persisted with adverse impact on adjacent marshes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |

**A MEETING OF THE EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMITTEE WAS HELD VIRTUALLY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 30 APRIL 2026 AT 10.30 AM.**

|    | <b>Elected Members</b> | <b>Appointed Members</b> |
|----|------------------------|--------------------------|
| *v | C Loyd                 |                          |
| *v | J Marson               |                          |
| *v | M Paul                 |                          |
|    |                        | Present (100%)           |

Jane Marson in the Chair

\*In attendance / <sup>v</sup>Virtual Attendance:

\*<sup>v</sup>Cathryn Brady (Head of Catchment Services), \*<sup>v</sup>Liv Follen (Business Support Manager)

| <b>ID</b>       | <b>East Suffolk WMB Chairman's Committee, Minute</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Action</b> |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>01/26</b>    | <b>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |               |
| <b>01/26/01</b> | There were no apologies for absence.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |               |
| <b>02/26</b>    | <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |               |
| <b>02/26/01</b> | There were no other declarations of interest raised at this point in the meeting.<br>RESOLVED that this be noted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |               |
| <b>03/26</b>    | <b>SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT REPORT</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |               |
| <b>03/26/01</b> | <b>25_3348_C – Sizewell C Application for Land Drainage Consent</b><br><br>It was agreed and thereby RESOLVED to approve the application subject to the Board's standard conditions and specifications, including a development contribution of £72,910.55 in accordance with the Board's Development Control Charges and Fees Policy. The proposed development contribution is in accordance with the aforementioned policy and reasonably reflects the non-standard lifetime of development of 11 years (rather than the usual assumed lifetime of development of 100+ years established by the <a href="#">flood risk and coastal change guidance available via GOV.UK</a> ). |               |
| <b>04/26</b>    | <b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |               |
| <b>04/26/01</b> | There was no other business to discuss                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |               |

## **HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

### **For the period February – April 2026**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1. This report provides an update on health and safety work and any learning events or incidents across Eastern area (Norfolk Rivers, Broads, East Suffolk and Waveney, Lower Yare & Lothingland IDB).
- 1.2. This is for information, no recommendations for decision are included in this report.

#### **2. LEARNING EVENTS**

- 2.1. 09/03/2026 Fuel Thefts: A report of fuel theft from a National Highways Depot was shared with Depot and Operations Managers for awareness and consideration.

#### **3. ACCIDENTS**

- 3.1. No accidents to report during this period.

#### **4. TOOLBOX TALKS & TRAINING**

Toolbox talks to all staff:

- Excavator control zones
- Plant seatbelts

Training:

- Plant training: Rear dumper

#### **5. UPDATES TO GENERIC RISK ASSESSMENTS (GRA) & SAFE SYSTEMS OF WORK**

- 5.1. A review of construction phase plan template documents and site documentation has been undertaken. Improvements and simplification where relevant is currently being considered.

#### **6. HEALTH & SAFETY INSPECTIONS**

- 6.1. AW Safety (formerly Copes H&S) attended the Panford Beck project site in the NRIDB area. A review of site construction documentation was undertaken and improvements to (as noted above) under consideration. This review highlighted potential for simplifying some of the documentation and forms used within the typical Construction Phase Plan and site management forms.
- 6.2. Alliance lifting checks – 6 monthly (ESWMB pumping stations, BIDB pumping stations, depot lifting gear, Martham Depot roller doors)

#### **7. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1. None

**Tom Hunter**  
**AREA MANAGER**  
**April 2026**

# **PROJECT DELIVERY REPORT**

## **For the period 14 January 2026 to 26 May 2026**

### **1. EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD CAPITAL PROGRAMME**

- 1.1. Work is currently underway to assess the Board's future capital programme. Funding has been secured through Tranche funding to deliver improvements to pumping stations, including outfall infrastructure, pipework, and telemetry systems.
- 1.2. The Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (FCERM) funding rules were also updated with effect from 1 April 2026; however, the full suite of accompanying guidance has not yet been received. Once this has been reviewed alongside identified work requirements, further information on the future capital programme will be brought forward for consideration.

### **2. ALDE & ORE ESTUARY MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME**

- 2.1 At the last meeting, I reported that the Upper Alde & Ore Estuary Embankment Improvements Project had regrettably been closed. As agreed at the Alde & Ore Community Partnership (AOCP) meeting on 27 November, the focus has now shifted from major capital improvement works to the ongoing maintenance and resilience of the estuary's existing flood defence assets.
- 2.2 Since then, we have taken the lead in developing a coordinated proposal for a long-term programme of maintenance and repair works across the estuary. This approach does not replace the Estuary Plan; rather, it directly supports the Plan's long-standing objective of maintaining and sustaining the existing assets within the estuary.
- 2.3 The proposal brings all partners together, including the ESWMB, AOET, AOCP and the EA in both a financial and delivery partnership. The partnership will develop and deliver a prioritised rolling five-year programme aimed at halting the ongoing deterioration of the estuary's flood defences and restoring assets to an agreed target condition.
- 2.4 Support for the proposal has progressed rapidly over the last five months, with the following organisations agreeing to proceed:  
11 March – Alde & Ore Works Committee  
26 March – Alde & Ore Community Partnership  
23 April – Alde & Ore Association AGM  
1 May – Alde & Ore Estuary Trust Trustees  
18 May – Environment Agency
- 2.5 The programme is expected to be funded through:
  - Up to £250k from ESWMB via the Public Works Loan
  - Match funding of up to £250k from AOET, and
  - An in-principle contribution from the EA comprising £10k of precept funding together with any available EA maintenance allocations.
- 2.6 ESWMB will also seek additional external funding including RFCC Local Levy, Anglian Water and Sizewell C to expand the annual programme or reduce core partner contributions.
- 2.7 The WMA have appointed a Senior Project Engineer, Gordon Glasgow, to lead the programme on behalf of the partnership. He is currently using available data and EA asset information to establish the priorities which will feed into a 5-year programme of work and ensure the EA has clear priorities for its annual bids for flood defence maintenance and capital reconditioning funding.
- 2.8 Delivery of works is proposed through a Public Sector Cooperation Agreement (PSCA) between ESWMB and the EA. This approach would reduce the requirement for individual Flood Risk

Activity Permits (FRAPs) and Marine Management Organisation (MMO) licences for each element of work, enabling a more efficient delivery process.

2.9 Key timescales

- By September 2026: Develop a prioritised five-year programme targeting the highest-risk locations first;
- By November 2026: Finalise the detailed 2027–2028 programme of works;
- By January 2027: Complete Schedule 3 agreements ready for execution once funding allocations are confirmed; and
- By March 2027: Commence delivery of the first year of works alongside routine maintenance activities under the PSCA.

2.10 Grant Agreements between AOET and ESWMB have been drafted and are currently under review. The AOET has approved £45k to part-fund Gordon Glasgow's role during 2026/27 to support development of the prioritised five-year programme of works. The AOET has also approved funding of up to £250k towards delivery of works in 2027/28.

**Recommendation 1:** Officers seek approval to allocate £45k from the Public Works loan, as the Board's contribution towards Gordon Glasgow's role to develop a prioritised five-year programme of works.

**Recommendation 2:** Officers seek approval to allocate up to £250k from the Public Works loan, as the Board's contribution towards work in 2027/28

Kari Nash  
Project Delivery Manager

# OPERATIONS REPORT

## For the period 10 January 2026 to 21 May 2026

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides Board members with an overview of work delivered by the WMA operations team on behalf of ESWMB and key operational matters arising during this period.
- 1.2 There are no recommendations for Board consideration in this report.

### 2. MAINTENANCE WORK

#### 2.1 Drains Maintenance

During this period the planned drain and watercourse maintenance programme was completed. A summary of the catchments and drains covered by the works is shown in the following table.

| Drain Number                                       | Drain Name                                                                           | Work            |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Sub-district 1 - River Deben (tidal pumped)</b> |                                                                                      |                 |
| DRN178P0301/3                                      | Ramsholt Marsh                                                                       | Machine De-silt |
| DRN178P0101/4                                      | Queen's Fleet                                                                        | Machine De-silt |
| DRN178P0201                                        | Bawdsey Marsh                                                                        | Machine De-silt |
|                                                    |                                                                                      |                 |
| <b>Sub-district 2 - Lower Alde (tidal pumped)</b>  |                                                                                      |                 |
| CMT171P                                            | Sudbourne (7197m)                                                                    | Machine De-silt |
|                                                    |  |                 |

|                                                                 |                                                                                                                     |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| CMT168P                                                         | Chillesford (1710m)<br>           | Machine De-silt |
| <b>Sub-district 3 – Alderton &amp; Hollesley (tidal pumped)</b> |                                                                                                                     |                 |
| CMT177P                                                         | Alderton & Hollesley (4094m)                                                                                        | Machine De-silt |
|                                                                 |                                                                                                                     |                 |
| <b>Sub-district 5 – Gravity</b>                                 |                                                                                                                     |                 |
| CMT163G                                                         | Minsmere (3326m)<br>             | Machine De-silt |
| CMT175G                                                         | Bruisyard Hall Drain (345m)<br> | Machine De-silt |

|                                              |                                                                                                                                      |                  |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| CMT184G                                      | <p>Eyke Marsh Drain (1587m)</p>                    | Machine De-silt  |
| DRN190G0101/2                                | <p>Wetherden Stream Catchment, River Gipping</p>  | Hand cut & clear |
| DRN186G0801/6                                | Badley Stream, River Gipping                                                                                                         | Hand cut & clear |
| DRN186G0701/2/4                              | Jack's Green Watercourse                                                                                                             | Hand cut & clear |
| DRN188G0101/5                                | River Jordan, River Gipping                                                                                                          | Hand cut & clear |
|                                              |                                                                                                                                      |                  |
| <b>Sub-district 6 – Alde (tidal gravity)</b> |                                                                                                                                      |                  |
| CMT169G                                      | <p>Butley Mill River (400m)</p>                  | Machine De-silt  |

## **2.2 Pumping Station Maintenance**

- 2.2.1 No significant issues have been reported at pumping stations during this period. Pump servicing has been completed at Sudbourne with further servicing to be scheduled over the summer months.
- 2.2.2 The MEICA team and specialist contractor Lee Dickens have attended all pumping stations during February and March to upgrade the telemetry system. This included the replacement of water level monitoring sensors and monitoring hardware. We now have a new system live for monitoring water levels and pump operation in real time and recording this data, and enabling remote isolations, resets and level control.

## **3 RECHARGEABLE WORKS**

### **3.1 Main River – Hollesley pumped drain**

In March a major de-silt was undertaken along the 2200m 'main river' watercourse leading to the EA's Hollesley pumping station. No maintenance had been carried out on this drain by the EA for many years and it had become extremely choked with silt and vegetation. The lack of conveyance was hampering the operation of the EA's pumping station and ability to manage water levels. The subsequent impact was on the ESWMB's ability to provide water level management on the adjacent marshes on behalf of rate payers. At the last meeting, the Board agreed to fund the main river de-silting if necessary, however officers were able to obtain funding and agreement from the EA and the work was completed through a PSCA.



### **3.2 East Suffolk Council - Coastal Repairs and Maintenance Contract**

Through the Repair and Maintenance contract with East Suffolk Council, ESWMB has continued to provide general reactive and planned maintenance along the Suffolk coastline. The current contract expires in October 2026. Invitation to tender for a new repair and maintenance contract is expected in June.

## 4 OPERATIONAL MATTERS

### 4.1 River Deben bypass channel, Eyke

In March de-silting and vegetation removal was undertaken along the 1240m length of the main river bypass channel through Eyke Marshes, from the EA's water control structure to where it rejoins the River Deben downstream of Ufford Mill. Whilst a low priority for the EA, the silting of the watercourse was preventing any positive drainage from the IDB's main arterial drains and therefore impacting the IDB's ability to provide its statutory function of water level management. This work was undertaken through a PSCA with the EA but funded by the ESWMB as agreed at the last board meeting.

### 4.2 Lower Deben Maintenance Projects

The Lower Deben Riparian Owner Group (LDOG) group has identified several tasks with potential to provide benefit to conveyance, land use and the environment in the Deben catchment between Wickham Market and Melton. Through this period there has been several site visits and discussions on the scope of works to be completed, the consenting process and available funding. The ESWMB has an interest in effective and sustainable conveyance through the main river system. The EA has agreed to fund the landowners' application for a Flood Risk Activity Permit (FRAP), and WMA officers are helping facilitate this using the PSCA between the EA and ESWMB. There is no cost associated with this for ESWMB.

In mid-March the scope of work for consideration, dramatically changed with the failure of a spillway that links a perched section of the River Deben upstream of Melton Mill with a smaller low-level watercourse. The river downstream of the spillway to Melton Mill is now dry and upstream of the spillway water levels have significantly reduced. LDOG and the EA has approached the ESWMB for assistance with temporary and permanent measures to address the issue. The suitable course of action is currently being considered.



*Failed spillway at Ufford with dry riverbed beyond (top right)*

## 5. COMPLAINTS/ENFORCEMENT

None this period

## 6. HYDROLOGY

On the following pages are some extracts on rainfall and soil moisture deficit from the latest Water Situation Report for East Anglia covering the period up to 30th April 2026. The full report can be found online at:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6a023dfa81a251700a20b3f1/East\\_Anglia\\_Water\\_Situation\\_Report\\_April\\_2026.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6a023dfa81a251700a20b3f1/East_Anglia_Water_Situation_Report_April_2026.pdf)

Recent MET Office data shows the severity of a very dry start to Spring, which follows on from a normal to wet winter. As a result, through this reporting period the soil moisture deficit has significantly increased, and river flows are becoming low.

### Rainfall data

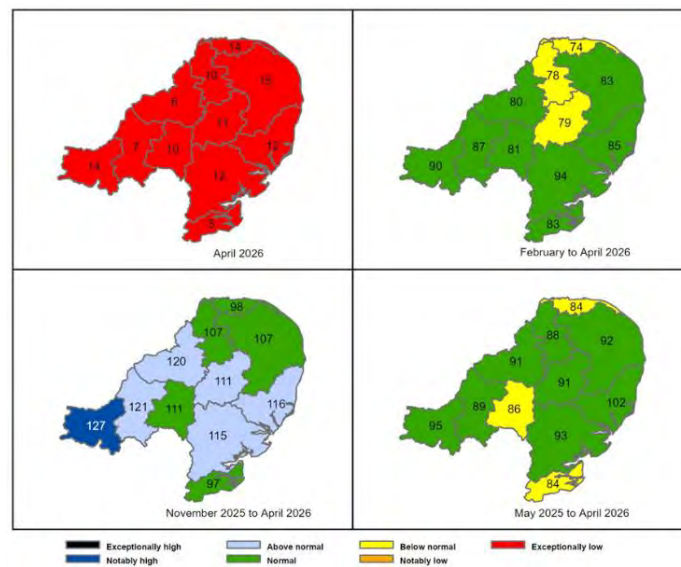
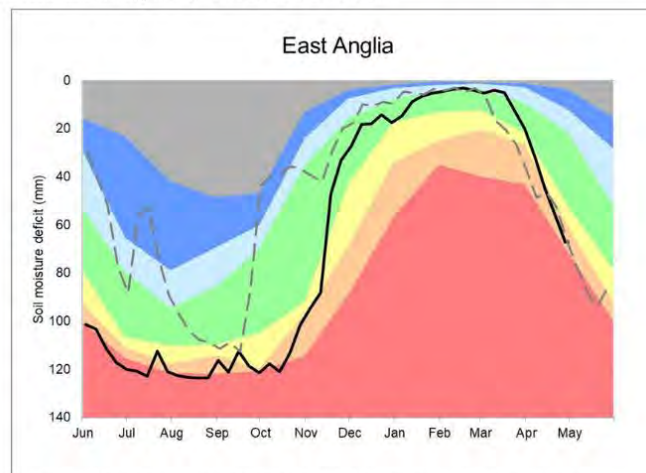


Figure 3.2: Latest soil moisture deficit compared to an analysis of historic 1991 to 2020 long term data set. Weekly MORECS data for real land use.



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ALI BLOOMFIELD  
OPERATIONS MANAGER  
May 2026

TOM HUNTER  
AREA MANAGER

## Fuel Costs

Purpose of this Paper:

This paper describes the risk arising due to rising fuel costs and how officers are mitigating this situation.

WMA officers remain aware of the risks associated with increased fuel costs and fuel availability.

Since the start of the Iran war red diesel costs have increased significantly and some shortages have been seen in particular areas of the county.

Red diesel prices have risen from 67p/litre this time last year to circa 0.9 - 1.24p/litre today. White diesel costs for fleet or construction works from circa £1.35 to £1.80+.

Although the boards of the WMA vary, with some wholly reliant on contractors as opposed to running fleet, this will represent a risk to budgets, especially if the higher prices extend for a period of time.

Framework contractors have typically increased hourly rates temporarily by £5/hr, while the red diesel price remains between £0.80-£1.23/litre.

To manage this risk the boards staff have taken a number of actions, namely;

- At the start of the crisis all depot fuel tanks were topped up
- We use a buying group for our Diesel orders to minimise cost and maximise security of delivery. We are also discussing the costs of priority supply agreements.
- We have notified clients that where we are undertaking PSCA work already priced for, we will seek to claim any additional costs back if required.
- When costing any new projects the higher fuel price will be used and we are developing fuel price fluctuation clause in new contracts, shorter validity periods on quotes.
- For all depots we are undertaking a bulk storage capacity review to establish if increased market volatility now makes an increase worthwhile.
- We will monitor spend and remain ready to critically review our programme for any reduced working that may be possible.
- We will review operating costs and assess the hourly charge out rates
- Each board has financial reserves which are available to offset some in year overspend if required.
- The WMA have spoken with ADA regarding raising fuel price and availability risk at a national level.

The Board's risk registers have also been updated to highlight the risk and we hope that the conflict will be short lived, however should diesel rates of over £0.80/litre extend for 3 months from 1<sup>st</sup> April, then a more formal action plan will be developed, with findings brought to each board.

The crisis does raise the potential benefits of looking at electrifying parts of the fleet in the future or looking again at HVO options, although no decisions will be made on this without full board approval.

Recommendation:

This paper is for noting only.

## Catchment Services Report

### 1. REPORTING PERIOD AND PURPOSE

This report covers the reporting period 24 December 2025 to 20 May 2026. The report outlines core officer activity in the following workstreams, for the Board's information:

- Sustainable Development Team (Working with planning authorities, landowners, developers and National Infrastructure Projects to ensure new works do not increase flood risk or impact on the Board's operations)
- Environment Team (Ensuring the Board's works do not cause environmental harm, and enhancing biodiversity wherever possible).

### 2. OPEN LAND DRAINAGE CONSENT APPLICATIONS

There are currently 6 consent applications being processed. The most common types of consent that the Board receive and determine in its regulatory capacity are set out in the table below alongside the current breakdown of cases.

| Application Type                                                        | Number |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Byelaw 3 (B3) – Discharge of Treated Foul Water (TFW):                  | 1      |
| Byelaw 3 (B3) – Discharge of Surface Water (SW):                        | 3      |
| Byelaw 4 (B4) / Section 23 (S23), LDA 1991 – Alteration of watercourse: | 1      |
| Byelaw 10 (B10)– Works within 9 m of a Board's maintained watercourse:  | 1      |
| Total:                                                                  | 6      |

In accordance with the scheme of delegation there are no matters for consideration by the Board in this report.

### 3. DETERMINED LAND DRAINAGE CONSENT APPLICATIONS

During this reporting period, the following 6 consents under the Land Drainage Act 1991 and Board's Byelaws have been determined by Officers in accordance with their delegated authority.

| Case Reference | Case File Sub-type  | Location / Site Name | Description of Application or Proposal | Outcome            |
|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 22_07412_C     | Section 23, LDA1991 | Sizewell C           | Culvert for access (amended consent)   | Granted 27/02/2026 |

|            |                           |                                     |                                                   |                       |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 25_31125_C | Byelaw 3<br>Surface Water | Williamsport Way,<br>Needham Market | Discharge from<br>road                            | Granted<br>17/04/2026 |
| 25_33311_C | Byelaw 10                 | Gedgrave, Orford                    | Installation of poles<br>and underground<br>cable | Granted<br>13/02/2026 |
| 25_33502_C | Section 23,<br>LDA1991    | Stowmarket<br>Road, Badley          | Headwall and<br>culvert repairs                   | Granted<br>23/03/2026 |
| 25_33547_C | Byelaw 3<br>Surface Water | Bury Rd,<br>Stowmarket              | Extension to<br>Stowmarket<br>Recycling Centre    | Granted<br>03/02/2026 |
| 25_34018_C | Byelaw 10                 | High Street, Iken                   | Replacing<br>handrails on<br>existing bridge      | Granted<br>16/02/2026 |

#### 4. LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY (LPA) ENGAGEMENT

Officers have provided responses to 27 applications that are either in or could impact on the Board's Internal Drainage District. 4 of these applications are for major development and are summarised below;

| Planning App. Ref. | Location / Site Name            | Description                               |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| DC/26/0916/FUL     | Lower Road, Westerfield         | Residential Development<br>(19 Dwellings) |
| DC/26/1091/OUT     | Heathfields, Trimley St. Martin | Residential Development<br>(64 Dwellings) |
| DC/26/1431/VOC     | Saxons Way, Halesworth          | Residential Development<br>(53 Dwellings) |
| DC/26/01910        | Bramford Substation             | Energy Infrastructure                     |

#### 5. NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Officers continue to engage with the following Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, most of which are at the pre-application stage of applying to the Planning Inspectorate for a Development Consent Order (DCO):

*(overleaf)*

| Project                                                                | Status                                                               | Board Update                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sizewell C (Nuclear power station) – Sizewell C Ltd.                   | DCO granted July 2022; construction is ongoing.                      | <p>Variation granted to Board consent for change in culvert location and pipe specification at main development site. Site visit attended to inspect culvert installed outside of consented area and to view location of proposed extension to drain realignment works. Officers continuing engagement with Environment Agency and Natural England for joined-up approach to environmental assessments related to consenting and permitting.</p> <p>Ongoing pre-application engagement with Sizewell C is continuing in relation to applications for consent for watercourse realignment works at main development site, and for surface water discharges at temporary construction area and associated development area. Board's Chairman's Committee met on 30 April 2026 and agreed bespoke Surface Water Development Contribution fee in relation to surface water discharge from works within temporary construction area.</p> |
| Sea Link (underground electricity transmission) – National Grid        | Planning examination closed May 2026; DCO decision due November 2026 | One s.23 consent and five Byelaw 3 consents anticipated to be required if DCO is granted. Officers engaged with planning examination to raise concerns about DCO wording. Officers continuing to engage with developer's consultants in relation to drainage from proposed new converter station at Saxmundham.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Norwich to Tilbury (overhead electricity transmission) – National Grid | Planning examination opened 10 February 2026                         | Officers are engaging in the current planning examination in relation to the draft DCO (including wording of Protective Provisions for drainage authorities, which is being reviewed by WMA solicitors). Liaising with Lead Local Flood Authorities over same. No detail yet seen on drainage / discharge within internal drainage district (likely to be minimal). Small number of consents likely to be needed for haul road crossings and potentially for works within 9m of arterial watercourses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Lion Link (underground electricity transmission) – National Grid       | Pre-application                                                      | Officers engaged with National Grid via statutory consultation (March 2026). Likely overlap between project and three catchments within ESIDD. No detail yet seen on drainage / discharge arrangements but likely to be minimal. Small number of consents likely to be needed for haul road crossings and potentially for works within 9m of arterial watercourses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

## 6. DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

There has been 1 development contribution fee invoiced or paid during the reporting period. This fee is detailed below;

| Case ref(s)     | Date invoiced | Amount (no VAT) | Date Paid |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 25_31125_C (SW) | 21/04/2026    | £16,818.84      | -         |

## 7. OPERATIONS - ENVIRONMENTAL INPUT

The Environment Team has undertaken three drain audits during this period within the ESWMB catchment, following the completion of maintenance works. This is to ensure that maintenance is done to the standard set out in the Standard Maintenance Operations Document. The drains audited were Butley Mill River (DRN169G0101) Chillesford (DRN168P0101) and Sudbourne (DRN171P0101 & DRN171P0201) which were all audited on 17th February 2026. An audit report was completed for these drains, including an overall maintenance score and any recommendations, and issued to the ESWMB Operations Manager.

Scoping visits / surveys were undertaken on the following drains by the Environment Team and ESWMB operations team, ahead of maintenance:

| Location / Works                             | Date(s):   |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Hollesley EA Main River Proposed Maintenance | 17/02/2026 |
| Reydon - Holton Drain (CMT160P)              | 13/05/2026 |
| Sternfield (CMT175G)                         | 13/05/2026 |

The following assessments, assents or licences have been undertaken, granted or applied for within the reporting period:

| Description    | Location / Works               | Date:      | Outcome:  |
|----------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| WFD Assessment | Hollesley EA Main River Desilt | 24/02/2026 | Completed |

## **7.1. ENVIRONMENTAL NON-COMPLIANCE**

Nothing to report within this period.

## **8. BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN**

### **8.1. WATERLIFE RECOVERY TRUST (WRT)**

The aim of the WRT charity is to eradicate mink throughout Great Britain via a partnership approach from many organisations. The WRT today sees partner organisations and volunteers trapping mink and seeing native wildlife rebound from Yorkshire through to Sussex, with more counties to likely sign up. The Environmental Manager continues to sit on this steering group to represent WMA interests.

The latest WRT steering group meeting was held and attended on the 24 April 2026. The latest Edition 14 of the WRT newsletter produced for April 2026 provides some interesting information, updates on the project and its progress and can be found [here](#).

## **9. UPDATE ON THE WILD RELEASE OF BEAVER**

Officers continue to attend regular meetings with Natural England to satisfy the Boards that no applications to legally release wild beavers will be considered by Natural England without significant consultation with the relevant Internal Drainage Board.

Throughout these meetings officers have remained in discussion with Natural England regarding the trapping of any illegally released or unlicensed beavers identified on the River Wensum in Norfolk and the Little Ouse River in Suffolk. Natural England have repeatedly reassured officers that it is Natural England's view that these unlicensed beavers should be trapped and relocated, to ensure that an unauthorised population doesn't become established in an inappropriate location or from a limited gene pool.

Natural England have unfortunately not been able to successfully coordinate any on-site efforts to trap the Beavers reported on the River Wensum ahead of the breeding season.

Officers will continue to stress to Natural England the importance of proactive beaver management in locations where the risks associated with wild beaver releases (such as the need to protect embanked / perched watercourses in high flood risk areas) are clearly likely to outweigh the benefits, or where the potential impacts of such releases have not been assessed.

**CATHRYN BRADY**  
**HEAD OF CATCHMENT SERVICES**  
**MAY 2026**

## EAST SUFFOLK WMB

### SCHEDULE OF PAID ACCOUNTS

Payment Date From : 01/12/2025

Payment Date To : 31/03/2026

| <u>Account ID</u> | <u>Name</u>                       | <u>Details</u>                    | <u>Amount Paid<br/>This Period</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| AL0005            | Alan Bacon Engineering            | Rechargeable Works                | 1,965.90                           |
| AN0001            | The AF Group Ltd                  | Materials                         | 14,975.44                          |
| AN0008            | Anglian Plant Limited             | Plant Hire                        | 846.00                             |
| BE0001            | Bear Terrain Ltd                  | Rechargeable Works                | 9,856.56                           |
| BL0004            | Block Engineering Ltd             | Rechargeable Works                | 36.00                              |
| BMT001            | British Metal Treatments Limited  | Rechargeable Works                | 102.00                             |
| BR0004            | Broads (2006) IDB                 | Maintenance/Recharge/Capital      | 114,154.86                         |
| DI0002            | DIY Tool Hire Ltd                 | Tool Hire                         | 808.56                             |
| EE0001            | EE Ltd                            | SIMO for Security Camera's        | 387.00                             |
| ER0002            | ERIKS Industrial Services Ltd     | Capital Works                     | 12,824.86                          |
| FR0001            | Fram Farmers Ltd                  | Electricity/Materials             | 29,242.89                          |
| GI0002            | Gisleham Industries Limited       | Rechargeable Works                | 3,597.55                           |
| GI0003            | Gisleham Fabrication Ltd          | Rechargeable Works                | 5,924.40                           |
| HO0001            | J Hollingsworth & Sons            | Falkenham Pump Attendance         | 1,200.00                           |
| HO0002            | Holmes Plant & Construction Ltd   | Maintenance/Recharge              | 20,907.00                          |
| HU0001            | D C Hunt Engineers Ltd            | Maintenance Works                 | 1,368.00                           |
| HU0003            | Hubble                            | Rechargeable Works                | 1,788.65                           |
| IN0001            | Independent Lifting Services Ltd  | Rechargeable Works                | 28.86                              |
| LA0001            | Mervyn Lambert Plant Ltd          | Plant Hire                        | 31,467.85                          |
| MJ0001            | MJD Agri Services Ltd             | Maintenance Works                 | 5,670.00                           |
| NO0001            | Norfolk Rivers IDB                | Rechargeable Works                | 1,478.40                           |
| PR0002            | R J Pryce & Co Ltd                | Rechargeable/Maintenance          | 10,414.72                          |
| RE0002            | Rexel UK Ltd                      | Maintenance Works                 | 26.71                              |
| RH0001            | Rhino Building & DIY Supplies Ltd | Maintenance Works                 | 474.34                             |
| RI0007            | RingGo                            | Rechargeable Works                | 150.00                             |
| SE0001            | Selwood Ltd                       | Rechargeable Works                | 149.58                             |
| SP0002            | SPP Digital Ltd                   | Rech Works - Signage              | 7,238.38                           |
| SS0001            | SSAF Window Films Ltd             | Rechargeable Works                | 28.80                              |
| SU0001            | Suffolk County Council            | SLA Agreement                     | 587.50                             |
| SU0004            | Sustainable Water Solutions LLP   | Rech Works - Professional         | 2,736.00                           |
| TH0004            | Robert P Thain                    | Rech Works - Lorry Moves          | 11,223.60                          |
| TM0001            | TMO Traffic Highways Ltd          | Rechargeable Works                | 1,352.30                           |
| TR0001            | Travis Perkins Ltd                | Rech Works - Plant Hire/Materials | 4,418.29                           |
| VA0002            | JH Vaudrey & Son Ltd              | Maintenance/Recharge              | 15,744.12                          |
| WA0008            | Phil Watson                       | Maintenance/Recharge              | 23,925.00                          |
| WA0011            | Water Management Alliance         | Recharge/Capital Works            | 92,695.89                          |
| WO0002            | Workwear (East Anglia) Ltd        | Rech Works - PPE                  | 249.59                             |

Please note that the amounts shown above include Vat £ **430,045.60**



Water Management Alliance

Assurance Review of Annual Governance and Accountability  
Return

April 2026

Final

# Executive Summary

|                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| OVERALL ASSESSMENT                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                       |  | SUBSTANTIAL ASSURANCE | ACTION POINTS                                                                                                                                               | HIGH RISK | MEDIUM RISK | LOW RISK | OPERATIONAL |
|                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             | 0         | 0           | 3        | 1           |
| KEY STRATEGIC FINDINGS                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| GF                                                                                                                                                                  | The Water Management Alliance (WMA) has good accounting practices, and the governance, risk and control framework is working well.    |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| RM                                                                                                                                                                  | The Member Board's Risk Registers do not include residual risk scores to assess the effectiveness of mitigating controls.             |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| C                                                                                                                                                                   | The WMA has complied with the publication requirements as stated by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.                          |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| C                                                                                                                                                                   | The WMA use the Sage 200 suite of software to manage their accounts, which supports accurate accounting and good record keeping.      |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| C                                                                                                                                                                   | Sample testing of high value payments validated purchase order, invoice and payment matching and authorisation with no discrepancies. |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| PM                                                                                                                                                                  | Management accounts, including budget data, are reported at each Board meeting as evidenced by the corresponding minutes.             |                                                                                   |                       |                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |          |             |
| SCOPE                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                       | ASSURANCE OVER KEY STRATEGIC RISK / OBJECTIVE                                                                                                               |           |             |          |             |
| The audit covered all areas required by the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) and included, where appropriate, the key risks for a drainage board. |                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                       | The purpose of the review was to undertake sufficient audit work to be able to sign off the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for Internal Audit. |           |             |          |             |

## Assurance - Key Findings and Management Action Plan (MAP)

| Ref | Root Cause Indicator | Finding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Recommendation                                                                                                                    | Priority | Management Comments                                                                                 | Implementation Timetable (dd/mm/yy) | Responsible Officer (Job Title) |
|-----|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1   | Risk Mitigation      | Each Board within the alliance maintains an individual risk register following a consistent format. Risks are assessed using a 3x3 matrix and mitigating actions are in place, alongside designated risk owners and defined review dates. The four Ts risk scoring methodology (transfer, tolerate, treat, take the opportunity) is used, however residual risk scores are not in place to assess the effectiveness of current controls.                                                                                                        | Introduce residual risk scores be added to the Board's risk registers to assess the effectiveness of current mitigating controls. | 3        | <i>Risk registers are under review and changes will be made within the year.</i>                    | 31/03/27                            | COO                             |
| 2   | Governance Framework | The following Policies and procedures for each Board were reviewed and found to cover the expected areas and key controls:<br><br>Business Plan (Policy Statement) - All approved within the five-year review cycle except for Waveney, Lower Yare and Lothingland (WLYL) which was due to be reviewed May 2025;<br><br>Consortium Management Committee - Terms of Reference dated March 2024; and<br><br>the Capital Financing and Reserves Policy - approved September 2022 with a five-year review cycle and is adopted by all seven Boards. | The Business Plan for Waveney, Lower Yare and Lothingland (WLYL) be reviewed and updated in line with the agreed cycle.           | 3        | <i>This was omitted in the usual cycle and will be taken to the May Board meeting for approval.</i> | 31/05/26                            | BSM                             |
| 3   | Governance Framework | The Financial Regulations were recently approved with a three-year review cycle and are adopted by all seven Boards; however, they do not reference the Procurement Act 2023.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | The Financial Regulations be updated to reference the Procurement Act 2023 along with any recent changes.                         | 3        | <i>This will be reviewed and amended in year and taken to the CMC and Boards for approval.</i>      | 31/03/27                            | CFO                             |

### PRIORITY GRADINGS

|   |                  |                                                                                       |
|---|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | <b>HIGH RISK</b> | Fundamental control weaknesses or compliance issues that require immediate attention. |
|---|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

|   |                    |                                                                                                  |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2 | <b>MEDIUM RISK</b> | Control weaknesses that are not critical but require planned action at the earliest opportunity. |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

|   |                 |                                                                                              |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3 | <b>LOW RISK</b> | Minor issues on which action should be taken or monitored as part of continuous improvement. |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

# Operational - Effectiveness Matter (OEM) Action Plan

| Ref | Root Cause Indicator | Finding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Suggested Action                                                                                                                                                       | Management Comments                                                              |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | Risk Mitigation      | It was noted that the current 3x3 risk scoring system may not always capture nuanced differences in risk levels, particularly when a risk's likelihood and impact fall between distinct scores. Consideration to a wider map would allow for greater precision in assessing and communicating risk levels, reducing the potential for over- or under-representation. As Drainage Boards' activities may affect environment and infrastructure, it is crucial that risks are scored and assessed effectively. | Consideration be given to using a 4x4 (or higher) risk matrix to ensure risk scores better represent the actual likelihood and potential impact of the risk occurring. | <i>Risk registers are under review and changes will be made within the year.</i> |

ADVISORY NOTE

Operational Effectiveness Matters need to be considered as part of management review of procedures.

## Findings

| Ref | Expected Key Risk Mitigation  |                                                                                                                                                                         | Effectiveness of arrangements | Cross Reference to MAP | Cross Reference to OEM |
|-----|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| GF  | <b>Governance Framework</b>   | There is a documented process instruction which accords with the relevant regulatory guidance, Financial Instructions and Scheme of Delegation.                         | Partially in place            | 2 & 3                  | -                      |
| RM  | <b>Risk Mitigation</b>        | The documented process aligns with the mitigating arrangements set out in the corporate risk register.                                                                  | Partially in place            | 1                      | 1                      |
| C   | <b>Compliance</b>             | Compliance with statutory, regulatory and policy requirements is demonstrated, with action taken in cases of identified non-compliance.                                 | In place                      | -                      | -                      |
| PM  | <b>Performance Monitoring</b> | There are agreed KPIs for the process which align with the business plan requirements and are independently monitored, with corrective action taken in a timely manner. | In place                      | -                      | -                      |
| S   | <b>Sustainability</b>         | The impact on the organisation's sustainability agenda has been considered.                                                                                             | In place                      | -                      | -                      |
| R   | <b>Resilience</b>             | Good practice to respond to business interruption events and to enhance the economic, effective and efficient delivery is adopted.                                      | In place                      | -                      | -                      |

### Other Information



The Water Management Alliance (WMA) consists of the following seven Boards: Broad (BIDB); East Suffolk (ESWMB); King's Lynn (KLIDB); Norfolk Rivers (NRIDB); South Holland (SHIDB); Waveney, Lower Yare and Lothingland (WLYL); Pevensey and Cuckmere (PCWMB).



Three Board meeting agendas, minutes and report packs from throughout 2025 were reviewed for each Board. All were found to be comprehensive and demonstrated good governance. Decisions and actions had been followed through including the approval of drainage rates for each board.

## Other Information

-  The WMA has complied with the publication requirements as stated by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 including publication of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, Auditor's Certificate/Report and Statement of Accounts.
-  The Risk Management Policy was last reviewed in September 2021 and has a five-year review period. The Policy applies to and has been adopted by all seven Boards in the Alliance.
-  Each Board reviews its objectives and sets new objectives for the following financial year at their rate setting meetings in January/February. This is confirmed in each Board's minutes which are available on the WMA website.
-  The WMA use Sage 200 accounting software for their accounting records which supports the financial transactions of the Boards. The Nominal Ledger Trial Balance and Balance Sheet (dated February 2026) for all seven Boards were reviewed and found to be in balance with a positive net asset that has increased from the previous year. In addition, the Income and Expenditure accounts were reviewed for all seven Boards and found to be in order, noting an increasing trend in profit compared to previous years.
-  Accounts payable are managed using Sage 200 Accounting Software. All procurement of goods and services are to be authorised in line with the thresholds stated in the Financial Regulations, by the raising, signing and dating an official purchase order (PO). Quotes/tenders, delivery notes, invoices for payment and credit notes are all matched to the corresponding PO and confirmed as correct prior to payment.
-  The five greatest payments of the year were selected across the seven Boards and reviewed in detail. Each Board provided a PO (if applicable), invoice, nominal ledger entry, payment run and bank statement for each payment. All were found to reconcile and had been authorised accordingly demonstrating good accounting practices with adequate controls and approvals in place.
-  Drainage rates and special levies are set and sealed by each Board at their January/February meeting annually. Many of the Boards also receive Environment Agency contributions, Grant income and Tranche Funding Grant income.
-  Accounts receivable is managed using Sage 200 Accounting Software. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is responsible to the Chief Executive for raising and collecting sundry debts due and shall ensure that all debts are substantially collected within 30 days from the Debtor Invoice tax point date. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) shall advise the Chief Executive of any debt that becomes 3 months overdue or whenever a debt becomes doubtful, whichever earlier. Aged Debtor reports dated February 2026 were reviewed for all Boards and no significant aged debts were identified.
-  All seven boards use the same write-off procedure as detailed in the Financial Regulations. The Chief Executive has authority to write off debts up to £2,000, surplus goods, damaged/stolen goods and obsolete goods. Budget holders and other staff must inform the Chief Executive of any material item they consider should be written off. The Responsible Financial Officer must ensure appropriate adjustments are made to the accounting records where a write-off constitutes part of a stock account.
-  The CFO is responsible to the Chief Executive for the proper compilation of the payroll(s). Each Board operate an individual payroll (excluding ESIDB; PCWMB and WLYL as these Boards have no employees) and the WMA operate a separate payroll for shared staff, such as administration staff.

## Other Information

-  Payrolls for the month of December 2025 were examined and found to be in order including both employee and employer deductions. Review of PAYE and NI invoices and the corresponding BACS runs and Bank Statements for all applicable Boards confirmed payments were made as required for December 2025. Review of the pension invoices for each board shows employee and employer pension contributions have been made to the respective pension providers as required for December 2025. Each payment was reconciled to the corresponding BACS run and bank statement.
-  The Asset Register for each Board was reviewed and found to be in order, up to date and included details on original purchase, revaluation, depreciation and net book value.
-  Accounting Statements have been undertaken and reconciled to the cash book for each Board with no unreconciled sums. Bank reconciliations for period January 2026 were reviewed and it was confirmed all Boards' bank accounts were accurately reconciled to the cash book
-  Management accounts, including budget data, are reported at each Board meeting as evidenced by the corresponding minutes.
-  The WMA's Capital Financing and Reserves Policy was approved in September 2022 and is to be reviewed every five years. General Reserves should be no less than 20% of net expenditure, therefore, the Boards aim to maintain a general reserve of no less than £200k at the end of every financial year. Due to high inflation, many other Drainage Boards in the East Anglia area have been looking to increase their general reserve capacity to 30% of net expenditure. While the WMA's Boards have not built up their reserves to this capacity during the same time-frame (due to the increase in rates and levies that would be required), the Policy is due for review in September 2027 - presenting a good opportunity to formally consider increasing General Reserve Capacity.
-  The Boards maintain an indicative five-year forecast which enables future increases in both the penny rate and precept to be calculated and for such bodies as the precepting authorities to be consulted well in advance of any increases being made. The forecast is presented to each Board at the annual January/February rate setting meeting.
-  The Financial Regulations state the Chief Financial Officer is responsible for ensuring that all monies received are properly recorded in the Member Board's accounting records. Cheques are banked daily using Online Banking. Cheques and cash that cannot be banked in this manner are banked at least weekly.
-  2024/25 year-end bank reconciliations for all Member Boards for confirmed to have been completed and verified with no unreconciled sums.
-  Total expenditure for 2025/26 as at the most recent published Board Meetings was within budget, except for NRIDB and SHIDB due to rechargeable works. This was raised as a routine recommendation during the 2024/25 AGAR where it was noted that these types of works are volatile, making estimates particularly challenging which could result in distorted budgets should the recommendation be actioned. Internal audit is satisfied that the recommendation has been considered, and that the finding presents no material control risk as the expenditure is offset by rechargeable income.

Scope and Limitations of the Review

- 1. The definition of the type of review, the limitations and the responsibilities of management in regard to this review are set out in the Annual Plan. As set out in the Audit Charter, substantive testing is only carried out where this has been agreed with management and unless explicitly shown in the scope no such work has been performed.

Disclaimer

- 2. The matters raised in this report are only those that came to the attention of the auditor during the course of the review, and are not necessarily a comprehensive statement of all the weaknesses that exist or all the improvements that might be made. This report has been prepared solely for management's use and must not be recited or referred to in whole or in part to third parties without our prior written consent. No responsibility to any third party is accepted as the report has not been prepared, and is not intended, for any other purpose. TIAA neither owes nor accepts any duty of care to any other party who may receive this report and specifically disclaims any liability for loss, damage or expense of whatsoever nature, which is caused by their reliance on our report.

Assignment Engagement Details

3.

| TIAA Auditors   | Title             | Contact Email              |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| William Railton | Auditor           | William.railton@tiaa.co.uk |
| David Robinson  | Director of Audit | David.robinson@tiaa.co.uk  |

Effectiveness of arrangements

- 4. The definitions of the effectiveness of arrangements are set out below. These are based solely upon the audit work performed, assume business as usual, and do not necessarily cover management override or exceptional circumstances.

|                    |                                                                                      |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| In place           | The control arrangements in place mitigate the risk from arising.                    |
| Partially in place | The control arrangements in place only partially mitigate the risk from arising.     |
| Not in place       | The control arrangements in place do not effectively mitigate the risk from arising. |

Assurance Assessment

5. The definitions of the assurance assessments are:

|                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Substantial Assurance | There is a robust system of internal controls operating effectively to ensure that risks are managed and process objectives achieved.                                                            |
| Reasonable Assurance  | The system of internal controls is generally adequate and operating effectively but some improvements are required to ensure that risks are managed and process objectives achieved.             |
| Limited Assurance     | The system of internal controls is generally inadequate or not operating effectively and significant improvements are required to ensure that risks are managed and process objectives achieved. |
| No Assurance          | There is a fundamental breakdown or absence of core internal controls requiring immediate action.                                                                                                |

Acknowledgement

6. We would like to thank staff for their co-operation and assistance during the course of our work.

Release of Report

7. The table below sets out the history of this report.

| Stage                      | Issued                         | Response Received              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Audit Planning Memorandum: | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 |
| Draft Report:              | 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026    |                                |
| Revised Draft Report:      | 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026    | 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026    |
| Final Report:              | 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026    |                                |

**Internal Drainage Boards – Remote auditing audit programme**  
**2026/27 Internal Audit Arrangements**

**Strategic Risks**

**Governance**

- 1) Review Constitution, Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Award of Contracts and other procedures (I will obtain this data from your website)
- 2) Review Board agendas and minutes for the year (I will require the latest three meetings data – agendas and minutes please. Also include the latest meeting agenda)
- 3) Review any Committee agendas and minutes for the year (I will require the latest three meetings data – agendas and minutes please. Also include the latest meeting agenda)
- 4) The drainage board has published information on its website to comply with the Transparency Code for smaller authorities (I will obtain this data from your website)
- 5) The drainage board for the previous year correctly provided for the period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (I will obtain this data from your website, and from sight of your Board minutes approving the dates set)
- 6) The drainage board has complied with the publication requirements as stated by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (Please provide evidence that these have been complied with)

**Risk Management**

- 1) Review risk management policy and procedures (These should be on the website, but please provide if not)
- 2) Review risk register (If not on the website please provide)
- 3) Review process and procedures for how risk is managed on a day by day basis (A brief note on this please)
- 4) Review key objectives for the IDB and the risks associated with achieving these objectives (This should flow from the risk register)
- 5) Review the controls in place to mitigate these risks and see how effective they are. (These should be contained within the risk register. I may select a sample for review to confirm working as expected)

**Operational Risks**

**Accounting Records**

- 1) Review the accounting records for the IDB
- 2) Are these up to date and in balance (A current trial balance please and a copy of the profit and loss account and balance sheet at the time of the audit)

**Expenditure**

- 1) Review accounts payable (creditors) (An aged creditors list please)
- 2) Test a sample of payments made to verify they have been correctly paid. Check if possible the receipt of the goods. Check accuracy, procedures (purchase order system) and approval process – was this in accordance with Financial Regulations. (I will select my sample from the expenditure items reported to the Board meetings) (Copies of the supporting documents for the sample selected will be required)
- 3) Check treatment of VAT (included above)

## Budget

- 1) Review the budgetary arrangements. (This should be available in the Board papers)
- 2) Review the precept of rates (Please provide the Board agenda and minute approving the penny rate for 25/26 if not already provided above)
- 3) Review how the budget is monitored (These should be included in the Board papers above)
- 4) Review reserves and the policy for these (Please provide latest reserves position and 5/10 year forecast that shows how general reserves are expected year on year in the future)

## Income

- 1) Review accounts receivable (debtors) (An aged debtors list please – both general and rates)
- 2) Review debt collection procedures (Please confirm debt collection arrangements and dates)
- 3) Review any write off arrangements (Please provide details of any write offs – approval/procedures)
- 4) Review recording and banking of income (Please confirm banking arrangements particularly cash or cheque)
- 5) Test a sample of payments received to verify they have been correctly dealt with. Check accuracy and procedures – was this in accordance with Financial Regulations. (Please provide a list of debts raised in the year and I will select a sample for a more detailed review)
- 6) Check treatment of VAT (included above)

## Petty Cash

- 1) Check the Petty Cash arrangements where held
- 2) Verify Petty cash is in balance, test a sample of transactions for relevance and accuracy and that a valid receipt is present. (Please provide a short note on petty cash and confirm VAT has been correctly treated)
- 3) Check treatment of VAT (included above)

## Payroll

- 1) Review the payroll system
- 2) Test a sample of employees for accuracy of pay and treatment of variations including Tax and NI. (Please provide a summary of payments made to staff which includes all deductions both employee and employer)
- 3) Verify PAYE and NI requirements have been met (Please confirm and evidence that PAYE, NI and pension payments have been made to HMIC and LCC)

## Asset Register

- 1) Verify the asset register is complete and up to date. (Please provide a copy of the asset register)
- 2) Verify where possible the asset and investment exists (I will not be confirming that any asset exists for this audit!!)

## Bank

- 1) Verify and confirm bank reconciliations have been regularly undertaken. (Please provide a latest bank reconciliation)
- 2) Confirm end of year bank reconciliation (Year end follow up audit)

## Accounting Statements

- 1) Verify accounting statements have been undertaken and reconciled to the cash book. (Please confirm and year end follow up audit)
- 2) Review and verify the audit trail of sums feeding into the accounting statements. (Year end follow up audit)

**EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. A surplus of £283,943 for the financial year 25-26 (year ended 31 March 2026) has been reported, we budgeted for a surplus of £44,087. We have received additional one off income within the reporting period, detailed below.
2. Pumping Station expenditure was £65,215 under the estimated amount due to decreased pumping costs.
3. An additional £57,000 of investment interest has been received. This is due to the interest rates being slightly increased within the reporting period. We are already aware of these favourable interest rates being reduced, therefore there will be more financial pressure on the IDB in the forthcoming year.
4. Consortium Charges were also £14,825 less than budgeted for. This is due to the hours the Area Manager and Operations Manager have worked on Tranche Projects, and these being claimed for externally against this funding stream.
5. The Board realised a surplus of £46,282 on rechargeable works.
6. Development Contributions of £8,247 were received in the period, and transferred to the earmarked development reserve at year end. This reserve can be utilised for future significant maintenance within the area and asset/culvert upgrades to reduce flood risk due to the extra water the infrastructure would be receiving due to these specific developments.
7. Finals costs and the fine incurred for the prosecution regarding the deposit of clay without an environmental permit at Iken, were lower than estimated, at £25,648 within the reporting period.

**S JEFFREY**  
**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/RFO**

From: 01 April 2025  
To: 31 March 2026

Period: 12  
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| NOTE                                      | INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT     | ACTUAL<br>2024/25<br>£ | ACTUAL<br>2025/26<br>£ | BUDGET<br>2025/26<br>£ | VARIANCE<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| <b><u>INCOME</u></b>                      |                                    |                        |                        |                        |                    |
| 1                                         | Drainage Rates                     | 326,622                | 339,054                | 339,054                | 0                  |
| 2                                         | Special Levies issued by the Board | 229,527                | 235,265                | 235,265                | 0                  |
| 3                                         | Grants Applied                     | 516,500                | 262,750                | 4,864,198              | -4,601,448         |
| 3ii                                       | Grants Applied - Tranche Funding   | 364,744                | 115,000                | 0                      | 115,000            |
| 4                                         | Highland Water Contributions       | 103,694                | 106,013                | 93,875                 | 12,138             |
| 5                                         | Income from Rechargeable Works     | 712,094                | 874,967                | 40,000                 | 834,967            |
| 6                                         | Other Income                       | 663,407                | 557,170                | 459,819                | 97,352             |
| <b>Total Income</b>                       |                                    | <b>£2,916,587</b>      | <b>£2,490,219</b>      | <b>£6,032,211</b>      | <b>-£3,541,992</b> |
| <b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>                 |                                    |                        |                        |                        |                    |
| 7                                         | Capital Works                      | 516,500                | 266,328                | 4,864,198              | 4,597,870          |
| 7ii                                       | Tranche Expenditure                | 327,841                | 115,500                | 0                      | -115,500           |
| 8                                         | Environment Agency Precept         | 99,105                 | 102,079                | 102,079                | 0                  |
| 9                                         | Maintenance Works                  | 856,556                | 680,854                | 774,845                | 93,991             |
| 10                                        | Administration Charges             | 176,244                | 187,183                | 187,002                | -182               |
| 11                                        | Cost of Rechargeable Works         | 703,934                | 828,685                | 0                      | -828,685           |
| 11ii                                      | Professional Fees Iken             | 126,547                | 25,648                 | 60,000                 | 34,353             |
| 12                                        | Development Expenditure            | 383                    | 0                      | 0                      | 0                  |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>                  |                                    | <b>£2,807,110</b>      | <b>£2,206,276</b>      | <b>£5,988,123</b>      | <b>£3,781,847</b>  |
| Profit/(Loss) on disposal of Fixed Assets |                                    | £0                     | £0                     | £0                     | £0                 |
| <b>Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year</b> |                                    | <b>£109,477</b>        | <b>£283,943</b>        | <b>£44,087</b>         | <b>£239,856</b>    |

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| NOTE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31-3-2026 |                                           | 2024/25<br>£      | MOVEMENT<br>£   | 2025/26<br>£      |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 13                                 | <b>Fixed Assets</b>                       |                   |                 |                   |
|                                    | Land and Buildings                        | 4,898             | -4,898          | 0                 |
|                                    | Shared Consortium Assets                  | 0                 | 0               | 0                 |
|                                    |                                           | <b>4,898</b>      | <b>-4,898</b>   | <b>0</b>          |
|                                    | <b>Current Assets</b>                     |                   |                 |                   |
| 14                                 | Cash at Bank and in Hand                  | 338,367           | -11,046         | 327,321           |
| 15                                 | Short term Investments                    | 4,400,000         | 0               | 4,400,000         |
| 16                                 | Debtors and Prepayments                   | 496,749           | -168,507        | 328,242           |
|                                    |                                           | <b>5,235,116</b>  | <b>-179,553</b> | <b>5,055,563</b>  |
|                                    | <b>Current Liabilities</b>                |                   |                 |                   |
| 17                                 | Creditors and Receipts in Advance         | 1,055,885         | -197,946        | 857,939           |
| 18                                 | Loans Repayable within the next 12 months | 102,698           | 3,307           | 106,004           |
|                                    |                                           | <b>1,158,583</b>  | <b>-194,639</b> | <b>963,943</b>    |
|                                    | <b>Net Current Assets</b>                 | <b>4,076,533</b>  | <b>15,086</b>   | <b>4,091,619</b>  |
|                                    | <b>Less Long Term Liabilities</b>         |                   |                 |                   |
| 18                                 | Long Term Borrowing                       | 2,404,883         | -106,004        | 2,298,878         |
|                                    |                                           | <b>2,404,883</b>  | <b>-106,004</b> | <b>2,298,878</b>  |
|                                    | <b>Net Assets</b>                         | <b>£1,676,549</b> | <b>£116,192</b> | <b>£1,792,741</b> |
|                                    | <b>Reserves</b>                           |                   |                 |                   |
| 19                                 | General Reserves                          | 169,802           | 0               | 169,802           |
| 20                                 | Grants Reserve                            | 400,721           | -167,750        | 232,971           |
|                                    | Grant Reserve Tranche Funding             | 0                 | 0               | 0                 |
| 19                                 | Development Reserve                       | 222,531           | 8,247           | 230,778           |
| 19                                 | Capital Reserves                          | 883,495           | 275,696         | 1,159,191         |
|                                    |                                           | <b>1,676,549</b>  | <b>116,192</b>  | <b>1,792,741</b>  |
|                                    | <b>Reserves</b>                           | <b>£1,676,549</b> | <b>£116,192</b> | <b>£1,792,741</b> |

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

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| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT            | RIVER DEBEN (PUMPED) |                 | LOWER ALDE (PUMPED) |                 | AHB (PUMPED)   |                | BLYTH (PUMPED) |                | GRAVITY         |                   | ALDE (TIDAL GRAVITY) |                 | TOTAL             |                   |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                           | BUDGET               | ACTUAL          | BUDGET              | ACTUAL          | BUDGET         | ACTUAL         | BUDGET         | ACTUAL         | BUDGET          | ACTUAL            | BUDGET               | ACTUAL          | BUDGET            | ACTUAL            |
|                                           | £                    | £               | £                   | £               | £              | £              | £              | £              | £               | £                 | £                    | £               | £                 | £                 |
| <b>INCOME</b>                             |                      |                 |                     |                 |                |                |                |                |                 |                   |                      |                 |                   |                   |
| Drainage Rates                            | 42,233               | 42,233          | 208,657             | 208,657         | 13,603         | 13,603         | 11,478         | 11,478         | 31,215          | 31,215            | 31,868               | 31,868          | 339,054           | 339,054           |
| Special Levies issued by the Board        | 37,158               | 37,158          | 33,818              | 33,818          | 0              | 0              | 185            | 185            | 138,393         | 138,393           | 25,711               | 25,711          | 235,265           | 235,265           |
| Grants Applied                            | 0                    | 994             | 4,864,198           | 266,045         | 0              | 0              | 0              | -4,288         | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 4,864,198         | 262,750           |
| Tranche Funding Applied                   | 0                    | 115,000         | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 0                 | 115,000           |
| Highland Water Contributions              | 28,306               | 44,215          | 48,607              | 43,209          | 1,247          | 1,427          | 11,144         | 13,350         | 4,313           | 3,912             | 258                  | -102            | 93,875            | 106,013           |
| Income from Rechargeable Works            | 0                    | 0               | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 40,000          | 874,967           | 0                    | 0               | 40,000            | 874,967           |
| Other Income                              | 130,794              | 156,486         | 204,559             | 248,740         | 34,454         | 38,269         | 26,731         | 30,292         | 30,291          | 39,262            | 32,991               | 44,121          | 459,819           | 557,170           |
| <b>Total Income</b>                       | <b>£238,491</b>      | <b>£396,086</b> | <b>£5,359,839</b>   | <b>£800,469</b> | <b>£49,304</b> | <b>£53,299</b> | <b>£49,538</b> | <b>£51,017</b> | <b>£244,212</b> | <b>£1,087,750</b> | <b>£90,828</b>       | <b>£101,599</b> | <b>£6,032,211</b> | <b>£2,490,219</b> |
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>                        |                      |                 |                     |                 |                |                |                |                |                 |                   |                      |                 |                   |                   |
| Capital Works                             | 0                    | 0               | 4,864,198           | 270,718         | 0              | 0              | 0              | -4,390         | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 4,864,198         | 266,328           |
| Tranche Expenditure                       | 0                    | 115,500         | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 0                 | 115,500           |
| Environment Agency Precept                | 7,782                | 7,782           | 6,840               | 6,840           | 1,141          | 1,141          | 304            | 304            | 83,439          | 83,440            | 2,572                | 2,572           | 102,079           | 102,079           |
| Maintenance Works                         | 190,102              | 187,671         | 397,127             | 315,818         | 40,156         | 35,550         | 48,092         | 47,103         | 51,256          | 65,845            | 48,115               | 28,868          | 774,847           | 680,854           |
| Administration Charges                    | 28,050               | 28,077          | 37,400              | 37,437          | 7,480          | 7,487          | 3,740          | 3,744          | 104,721         | 104,823           | 5,610                | 5,615           | 187,002           | 187,183           |
| Development Expenditure                   | 0                    | 0               | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 0                 | 0                 |
| Professional Fees - Iken                  | 0                    | 0               | 60,000              | 25,648          | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 60,000            | 25,648            |
| Cost of Rechargeable Works                | 0                    | 0               | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 828,685           | 0                    | 0               | 0                 | 828,685           |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>                  | <b>£225,933</b>      | <b>£339,030</b> | <b>£5,365,565</b>   | <b>£656,460</b> | <b>£48,777</b> | <b>£44,178</b> | <b>£52,136</b> | <b>£46,761</b> | <b>£239,416</b> | <b>£1,082,792</b> | <b>£56,297</b>       | <b>£37,055</b>  | <b>£5,988,123</b> | <b>£2,206,276</b> |
| Profit/(Loss) on disposal of Fixed Assets | 0                    | 0               | 0                   | 0               | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0               | 0                 | 0                    | 0               | 0                 | 0                 |
| <b>Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year</b> | <b>£12,558</b>       | <b>£57,056</b>  | <b>-£5,726</b>      | <b>£144,009</b> | <b>£527</b>    | <b>£9,121</b>  | <b>-£2,598</b> | <b>£4,256</b>  | <b>£4,796</b>   | <b>£4,958</b>     | <b>£34,531</b>       | <b>£64,544</b>  | <b>£44,087</b>    | <b>£283,943</b>   |

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| STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES | RIVER DEBEN (PUMPED) |        | LOWER ALDE (PUMPED) |        | AHB (PUMPED) |        | BLYTH (PUMPED) |        | GRAVITY |        | ALDE (TIDAL GRAVITY) |        | TOTAL  |        |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|--------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------|--------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                   | BUDGET               | ACTUAL | BUDGET              | ACTUAL | BUDGET       | ACTUAL | BUDGET         | ACTUAL | BUDGET  | ACTUAL | BUDGET               | ACTUAL | BUDGET | ACTUAL |
|                                   | £                    | £      | £                   | £      | £            | £      | £              | £      | £       | £      | £                    | £      | £      | £      |

#### GENERAL RESERVES

|                                         |         |         |        |          |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Opening Balances as 1-4-2025            | 114,719 | 114,719 | 15,330 | 15,330   | 12,359 | 12,359 | 8,749  | 8,749  | 12,009 | 12,009 | 6,635   | 6,635   | 169,801 | 169,802  |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year      | 12,558  | 57,056  | -5,726 | 144,009  | 527    | 9,121  | -2,598 | 4,256  | 4,796  | 4,958  | 34,531  | 64,544  | 44,087  | 283,943  |
| Transfers (to)/from Development Reserve | 0       | -8,156  | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | -91    | 0       | 0       | 0       | -8,247   |
| Transfers (to)/from Capital Reserve     | -12,558 | -48,900 | 5,726  | -144,009 | -527   | -9,121 | 2,598  | -4,256 | -4,796 | -4,866 | -34,531 | -64,544 | -44,087 | -275,696 |

|                                         |                 |                 |                |                |                |                |               |               |                |                |               |               |                 |                 |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Closing Balances as at 31-3-2026</b> | <b>£114,719</b> | <b>£114,719</b> | <b>£15,330</b> | <b>£15,330</b> | <b>£12,359</b> | <b>£12,359</b> | <b>£8,749</b> | <b>£8,749</b> | <b>£12,009</b> | <b>£12,009</b> | <b>£6,635</b> | <b>£6,635</b> | <b>£169,801</b> | <b>£169,802</b> |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|

#### CAPITAL RESERVES

|                                               |         |         |         |         |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| Opening Balances as at 1-4-2025               | 327,337 | 313,184 | 302,179 | 267,090 | 29,186 | 26,408 | 47,953 | 54,558 | 142,547 | 132,345 | 110,265 | 89,910 | 959,468 | 883,495 |
| Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay (PWLb) | 0       | 0       | 0       | 58,511  | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0       | 0       | 0       | 21,894 | 0       | 80,406  |
| Transfers (to)/from General Reserve           | 12,558  | 48,900  | -5,726  | 85,498  | 527    | 9,121  | -2,598 | 4,256  | 4,796   | 4,866   | 34,531  | 42,649 | 44,087  | 195,290 |

|                                         |                 |                 |                 |                 |                |                |                |                |                 |                 |                 |                 |                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Closing Balances as at 31-3-2026</b> | <b>£339,894</b> | <b>£362,084</b> | <b>£296,453</b> | <b>£411,099</b> | <b>£29,713</b> | <b>£35,528</b> | <b>£45,354</b> | <b>£58,814</b> | <b>£147,343</b> | <b>£137,212</b> | <b>£144,796</b> | <b>£154,454</b> | <b>£1,003,555</b> | <b>£1,159,191</b> |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|

#### DEVELOPMENT RESERVES

|                                     |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |        |         |   |   |        |         |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------|---------|---|---|--------|---------|
| Opening Balances as at 1-4-2025     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 77,645 | 222,531 | 0 | 0 | 77,645 | 222,531 |
| Transfers (to)/from General Reserve | 0 | 8,156 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0      | 91      | 0 | 0 | 0      | 8,247   |

|                                         |           |               |           |           |           |           |           |           |                |                 |           |           |                |                 |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Closing Balances as at 31-3-2026</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£8,156</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£77,645</b> | <b>£222,622</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£0</b> | <b>£77,645</b> | <b>£230,778</b> |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------------|

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| OUR ID                                                     | NAME                    | ACTUAL<br>2024/25 | ACTUAL<br>2025/26 | BUDGET<br>2025/26 | VARIANCE      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| <b><u>DRAINS MAINTENANCE</u></b>                           |                         |                   |                   |                   |               |
| <b><u>SD1: River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b> |                         |                   |                   |                   |               |
| DRN179P0101/4/5                                            | King's Fleet            | 0                 | 0                 | 1,725             | 1,725         |
| DRN179P0102                                                | Laurel Farm Delph       | 2,765             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN179P0103                                                | Gulpher                 | 0                 | 0                 | 1,000             | 1,000         |
| DRN179P0201                                                | Falkenham Delph         | 2,750             | 0                 | 1,725             | 1,725         |
| DRN179P0204                                                | Falkenham Marsh Drain   | 5,491             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN179P0203                                                | Falkenham Delph 3       | 5,216             | 0                 | 1,725             | 1,725         |
| DRN179P0202                                                | Kirton Drain            | 5,036             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN179P0205                                                | King's Fleet Weir Drain | 0                 | 0                 | 1,725             | 1,725         |
| DRN179P0206                                                | Falkenham Marshes       | 2,750             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN178P0301/3                                              | Ramsholt Marsh          | 0                 | 105               | 0                 | -105          |
| DRN178P0101/2/4                                            | Queen's Fleet           | 6,688             | 460               | 0                 | -460          |
| DRN178P0201                                                | Bawdsey Marsh           | 0                 | 3,572             | 0                 | -3,572        |
| Contingency                                                | Spraying                | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
|                                                            |                         | <b>£30,695</b>    | <b>£4,137</b>     | <b>£7,900</b>     | <b>£3,763</b> |
| <b><u>SD2: Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b>  |                         |                   |                   |                   |               |
| DRN172P0101                                                | Iken Marsh Drain        | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN171P0101                                                | Ferry Farm Drain        | 0                 | 9,981             | 2,900             | -7,081        |
| DRN171P0201                                                | Sudbourne Delph         | 0                 | 6,425             | 4,800             | -1,625        |
| DRN171P0202                                                | Church Farm Drain       | 0                 | 3,030             | 0                 | -3,030        |
| DRN170P0101                                                | Gedgrave Drain (North)  | 0                 | 9,274             | 10,925            | 1,651         |
| DRN170P0201                                                | Gedgrave Drain (South)  | 0                 | 0                 | 3,375             | 3,375         |
| DRN168P0101                                                | Chillesford Drain       | 0                 | 1,866             | 5,300             | 3,434         |
| DRN167P0101                                                | Butley Marsh Drain      | 4,674             | 0                 | 2,900             | 2,900         |
| DRN167P0102                                                | Stonebridge Drain       | 0                 | 500               | 2,900             | 2,400         |
| DRN167P0103                                                | Capel Drain             | 0                 | 0                 | 2,420             | 2,420         |
| DRN176P0101                                                | Colony Marsh Drain      | 1,368             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| Contingency                                                | Various                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
|                                                            |                         | <b>£6,042</b>     | <b>£31,076</b>    | <b>£35,520</b>    | <b>£4,444</b> |
| <b><u>SD3: AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b>         |                         |                   |                   |                   |               |
| DRN176P0101                                                | Holton Drain, Blyth     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN177P0101                                                | Alderton & Hollesley 1  | 7,960             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN177P0201                                                | Alderton & Hollesley 2  | 1,831             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN177P0202                                                | Alderton & Hollesley 3  | 1,831             | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN177P0301                                                | Alderton & Hollesley    | 0                 | 2,037             | 9,600             | 7,563         |
| DRN177P0302                                                | Alderton & Hollesley    | 0                 | 1,377             | 4,800             | 3,423         |
| DRN177P0303                                                | Alderton & Hollesley    | 0                 | 1,092             | 0                 | -1,092        |
| DRN177P0401                                                | Alderton (new)          | 0                 | 1,029             | 0                 | -1,029        |
|                                                            |                         | <b>£11,622</b>    | <b>£5,535</b>     | <b>£14,400</b>    | <b>£8,865</b> |
| <b><u>SD4: Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b>       |                         |                   |                   |                   |               |
| DRN160P0101                                                | Holton Drain, Blyth     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| DRN160P0102                                                | Reyden                  | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0             |
| 53                                                         |                         | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£0</b>     |

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| OUR ID                                        | NAME                              | ACTUAL<br>2024/25 | ACTUAL<br>2025/26 | BUDGET<br>2025/26 | VARIANCE        |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>SD5: Gravity Sub District</b>              |                                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| <u>DRN162G0101</u>                            | Blyth, Henham Park                | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN164G0101</u>                            | Thorpeness 100                    | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN182G0101/7</u>                          | Shottisham River, Lower Deben     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN180G0101/3</u>                          | Ramsholt Dock Drain, Lower Del    | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN163G0101</u>                            | Eastbridge Drain, Minsmere        | 0                 | 18,273            | 7,750             | -10,523         |
| <u>DRN163G0301</u>                            | Theberton, Minsmere               | 0                 | 0                 | 2,950             | 2,950           |
| <u>DRN163G0401</u>                            | Yew Tree Farm                     | 0                 | 0                 | 2,400             | 2,400           |
| <u>DRN163G0203</u>                            | Leiston 3, Minsmere               | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN163G0201</u>                            | Leiston 1, Minsmere               | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN163G0202</u>                            | Leiston 2, Minsmere               | 0                 | 0                 | 2,400             | 2,400           |
| <u>DRN161G0101</u>                            | Holton Drain, Blyth               | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN163G0501</u>                            | Darsham Station                   | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN175G0201</u>                            | Sternfield Drain, FRAT            | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN175G0401</u>                            | Upper Alde (Rendham)              | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN175G0501</u>                            | Bruisyard Hall Drain, Upper Alde  | 0                 | 2,086             | 2,500             | 414             |
| <u>DRN175G0301</u>                            | Blackstock Drain, Upper Alde      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN183G0101/3</u>                          | River Fynn, Lower Deben           | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0901</u>                            | Kettleburgh, River Deben          | 0                 | 0                 | 500               | 500             |
| <u>DRN184G0801/3</u>                          | Framsden Drain, Upper Deben       | 0                 | 0                 | 1,000             | 1,000           |
| <u>DRN184G0701</u>                            | Horsefen Drain, Upper Deben       | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0601</u>                            | Moneweden Drain, Upper Deben      | 1,868             | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0501</u>                            | Rendlesham Drain, Upper Deben     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0101/5</u>                          | Byng Brook, Upper Deben           | 2,381             | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0201</u>                            | Eyke Marsh Drain, Upper Deben     | 0                 | 10,575            | 0                 | -10,575         |
| <u>DRN184G0301/3</u>                          | Loudham Drain, Upper Deben        | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN184G0401</u>                            | Ashe Abbey Drain, Upper Deben     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN190G0101/2</u>                          | Wetherden Stream Catchment, F     | 835               | 675               | 1,000             | 325             |
| <u>DRN191G0101/3</u>                          | Gipping Stream, River Gipping     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN186G1001</u>                            | Rattlesden River Catchment        | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN189G0101</u>                            | Rattlesden River Catchment        | 535               | 0                 | 1,000             | 1,000           |
| <u>DRN189G0102/3</u>                          | Rattlesden River Catchment        | 1,075             | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN186G0901/2/3</u>                        | Cretings Watercourse              | 1,078             | 675               | 1,000             | 325             |
| <u>DRN186G0801/6</u>                          | Badley Stream, River Gipping      | 1,441             | 2,875             | 1,000             | -1,875          |
| <u>DRN186G0701/2/4</u>                        | Jack's Green Watercourse          | 1,341             | 421               | 500               | 79              |
| <u>DRN186G0601/5</u>                          | Coddenham Stream, River Gippi     | -355              | 0                 | 1,000             | 1,000           |
| <u>DRN186G0301/4</u>                          | Claydon Marsh Drain, River Gipp   | 220               | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN186G0201/3</u>                          | Claydon Hill Drain, River Gipping | -230              | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN186G0101</u>                            | Bramford Marsh Drain, River Gipp  | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN186G0401</u>                            | Barham Marsh Drain, River Gipp    | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN188G0101/5</u>                          | River Jordan, River Gipping       | 840               | 250               | 500               | 250             |
| <u>DRN186G0501</u>                            | Gallows Hill Drain, River Gipping | 345               | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
|                                               |                                   | <b>£11,373</b>    | <b>£35,830</b>    | <b>£25,500</b>    | <b>-£10,330</b> |
| <b>SD6: Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District</b> |                                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| <u>DRN169G0101</u>                            | Butley Mill River, Lower Alde     | 0                 | 2,584             | 0                 | -2,584          |
| <u>DRN165G0102</u>                            | Boyton Marsh Drain, Lower Alde    | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN165G0101</u>                            | Boyton Marsh Delph, Lower Alde    | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
| <u>DRN175G0101</u>                            | The Canal, (Benhall)              | 0                 | 0                 | 1,000             | 1,000           |
|                                               |                                   | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£2,584</b>     | <b>£1,000</b>     | <b>-£1,584</b>  |
|                                               |                                   | 54                |                   |                   |                 |
| <b>DRAINS MAINTENANCE</b>                     |                                   | <b>£59,732</b>    | <b>£79,162</b>    | <b>£84,320</b>    | <b>£5,158</b>   |

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|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b><u>PUMPING STATION MAINTENANCE</u></b>                  |                              |                   |                   |                   |                |
| <b><u>SD1: River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b> |                              |                   |                   |                   |                |
| <u>PMP178P001</u>                                          | Bawdsey Pumping Station      |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                            | Power                        | 7,999             | 9,716             | 16,000            | 6,284          |
|                                                            | Repairs and Maintenance      | 9,171             | 3,345             | 4,000             | 655            |
|                                                            | Superintendence              | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 0              |
|                                                            | Telemetry                    | 7                 | 522               | 336               | -186           |
|                                                            |                              | 18,177            | 14,583            | 21,336            | 6,753          |
| <u>PMP179P001</u>                                          | King's Fleet Pumping Station |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                            | Power                        | 6,333             | 3,106             | 10,000            | 6,894          |
|                                                            | Repairs and Maintenance      | 2,100             | 3,267             | 4,000             | 733            |
|                                                            | Superintendence (Gratis)     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0              |
|                                                            | Telemetry                    | 7                 | 522               | 336               | -186           |
|                                                            |                              | 8,439             | 6,895             | 14,336            | 7,441          |
| <u>PMP179P002</u>                                          | Falkenham Pumping Station    |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                            | Power                        | 6,561             | 13,560            | 20,000            | 6,440          |
|                                                            | Repairs and Maintenance      | 22,487            | 6,906             | 5,000             | -1,906         |
|                                                            | Superintendence              | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 0              |
|                                                            | Telemetry                    | 7                 | 522               | 336               | -186           |
|                                                            |                              | 30,055            | 21,988            | 26,336            | 4,348          |
|                                                            |                              | <b>£56,671</b>    | <b>£43,465</b>    | <b>£62,008</b>    | <b>£18,543</b> |
| <b><u>SD2: Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b>  |                              |                   |                   |                   |                |
| <u>PMP167P001</u>                                          | Butley Pumping Station       |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                            | Power                        | 10,267            | 8,748             | 17,000            | 8,252          |
|                                                            | Repairs and Maintenance      | 2,736             | 3,374             | 7,000             | 3,626          |
|                                                            | Superintendence              | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 0              |
|                                                            | Depreciation                 | 6,820             | 1,633             | 1,633             | 0              |
|                                                            | Telemetry                    | 7                 | 522               | 336               | -186           |
|                                                            |                              | 20,830            | 15,277            | 26,969            | 11,692         |
| <u>PMP168P001</u>                                          | Chillesford Pumping Station  |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                            | Power                        | 6,114             | 2,162             | 6,000             | 3,838          |
|                                                            | Repairs and Maintenance      | 2,286             | 3,506             | 7,000             | 3,494          |
|                                                            | Superintendence              | 1,150             | 1,150             | 1,150             | 0              |
|                                                            | Depreciation                 | 6,820             | 1,633             | 1,633             | 0              |
|                                                            | Telemetry                    | 7                 | 522               | 336               | -186           |
|                                                            |                              | 16,376            | 8,973             | 16,119            | 7,146          |

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|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <u>PMP170P001</u>                                    | Gedgrave Pumping Station     |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                      | Power                        | 2,599             | 2,927             | 9,000             | 6,073          |
|                                                      | Repairs and Maintenance      | 1,550             | 14,341            | 7,000             | -7,341         |
|                                                      | Superintendence              | 1,050             | 1,050             | 1,050             | 0              |
|                                                      | Depreciation                 | 6,820             | 1,633             | 1,633             | 0              |
|                                                      | Telemetry                    | 0                 | 530               | 336               | -194           |
|                                                      |                              | 12,020            | 20,481            | 19,019            | -1,462         |
| <u>PMP172P001</u>                                    | Iken Pumping Station         |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                      | Power                        | 9,417             | 4,878             | 13,000            | 8,122          |
|                                                      | Repairs and Maintenance      | 3,694             | 3,852             | 4,000             | 148            |
|                                                      | Superintendence              | -155              | 1,205             | 1,205             | 0              |
|                                                      | Telemetry                    | 53                | 530               | 336               | -194           |
|                                                      |                              | 13,008            | 10,465            | 18,541            | 8,076          |
| <u>PMP171P001</u>                                    | Sudbourne Pumping Station    |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                      | Power                        | 10,344            | 6,466             | 21,000            | 14,534         |
|                                                      | Repairs and Maintenance      | 2,585             | 3,802             | 4,000             | 198            |
|                                                      | Superintendence              | 1,200             | 1,200             | 1,200             | 0              |
|                                                      | Telemetry                    | 53                | 530               | 336               | -194           |
|                                                      |                              | 14,182            | 11,999            | 26,536            | 14,537         |
| <u>PMP176P001</u>                                    | Colony Marsh Pumping Station |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                      | Power                        | 689               | 2,500             | 3,000             | 500            |
|                                                      | Repairs and Maintenance      | 1,372             | 1,400             | 2,000             | 600            |
|                                                      | Superintendence              | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 0              |
|                                                      | Telemetry                    | 0                 | 0                 | 336               | 336            |
|                                                      |                              | £3,061            | £4,900            | £6,336            | £1,436         |
|                                                      |                              | <b>£79,478</b>    | <b>£72,094</b>    | <b>£113,519</b>   | <b>£41,425</b> |
| <b><u>SD4: Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District</u></b> |                              |                   |                   |                   |                |
| <u>PMP160P001</u>                                    | Reydon Pumping Station       |                   |                   |                   |                |
|                                                      | Power                        | 14,422            | 12,261            | 16,000            | 3,739          |
|                                                      | Repairs and Maintenance      | 2,238             | 3,296             | 5,000             | 1,704          |
|                                                      | Superintendence              | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 0              |
|                                                      | Telemetry                    | 53                | 530               | 336               | -194           |
|                                                      |                              | <b>£17,713</b>    | <b>£17,088</b>    | <b>£22,336</b>    | <b>£5,248</b>  |
| <b>PUMPING STATION MAINTENANCE</b>                   |                              | <b>£153,861</b>   | <b>£132,648</b>   | <b>£197,863</b>   | <b>£65,215</b> |

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b><u>ESTUARY WALL REINSTATEMENT WORKS</u></b> |                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| <b><u>Alde-Ore Estuary</u></b>                 |                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                 |
|                                                | Aldeburgh Phase 1 Impairment charge             | 114,098           | 0                 | 0                 | 0               |
|                                                | Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay          | 46,052            | 0                 | 80,406            | 80,406          |
|                                                |                                                 | <b>£160,150</b>   | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£80,406</b>    | <b>£80,406</b>  |
|                                                | <b>ESTUARY WALL REINSTATEMENT WORKS</b>         | <b>£160,150</b>   | <b>£0</b>         | <b>£80,406</b>    | <b>£80,406</b>  |
|                                                | <b>DIRECT WORKS</b>                             | <b>£373,744</b>   | <b>£211,810</b>   | <b>£362,589</b>   | <b>£150,779</b> |
|                                                | <b>TECHNICAL SUPPORT STAFF COSTS</b>            | 363,340           | 347,571           | 294,580           | -£52,991        |
|                                                | <b>OTHER TECHNICAL SUPPORT COSTS</b>            | 37,929            | 43,132            | 39,331            | -£3,801         |
|                                                | <b>EXTERNAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT COSTS</b>         | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | £0              |
|                                                | <b>BAP IMPLEMENTATION</b>                       | 9,500             | 9,494             | 9,500             | £6              |
|                                                | <b>TECHNICAL SUPPORT (INCLUDING BAP IMPLEM</b>  | <b>£410,769</b>   | <b>£400,197</b>   | <b>£343,411</b>   | <b>-£56,786</b> |
|                                                | <b>FINANCE COSTS (LOAN INTEREST: LOWER ALDI</b> | <b>£53,174</b>    | <b>£50,568</b>    | <b>£50,568</b>    | <b>£0</b>       |
|                                                | <b>FINANCE COSTS (LOAN INTEREST: LOWER ALDI</b> | <b>£18,869</b>    | <b>£18,280</b>    | <b>£18,280</b>    | <b>£0</b>       |
|                                                | <b>MAINTENANCE WORKS</b>                        | <b>£856,556</b>   | <b>£680,854</b>   | <b>£774,847</b>   | <b>£93,993</b>  |

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**1 DRAINAGE RATES**

|                                         | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 40,366                | 42,233                | 42,233                | 0                       |
| Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District  | 200,655               | 208,657               | 208,657               | 0                       |
| AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District         | 13,006                | 13,603                | 13,603                | 0                       |
| River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 11,036                | 11,478                | 11,478                | 0                       |
| Gravity Sub District                    | 30,259                | 31,215                | 31,215                | 0                       |
| Alde (Tidal Gravity)                    | 31,300                | 31,868                | 31,868                | 0                       |
|                                         | <b>326,622</b>        | <b>339,054</b>        | <b>339,054</b>        | <b>0</b>                |

**2 SPECIAL LEVIES ON COUNCILS**

|                                                 | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b> |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| East Suffolk Council                            | 36,075                | 37,158                | 37,158                | 0                       |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>  |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| East Suffolk Council                            | 32,517                | 33,818                | 33,818                | 0                       |
| <b>River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b> |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| East Suffolk Council                            | 178                   | 185                   | 185                   | 0                       |
| <b>Gravity Sub District:</b>                    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Babergh District Council                        | 2,082                 | 2,124                 | 2,124                 | 0                       |
| Ipswich Borough Council                         | 44,097                | 44,981                | 44,981                | 0                       |
| Mid Suffolk Borough Council                     | 47,072                | 48,016                | 48,016                | 0                       |
| East Suffolk Council                            | 42,299                | 43,272                | 43,272                | 0                       |
|                                                 | <b>135,550</b>        | <b>138,393</b>        | <b>138,393</b>        | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>Alde (Tidal) Gravity Sub District:</b>       |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| East Suffolk Council                            | 25,207                | 25,711                | 25,711                | 0                       |
|                                                 | <b>229,527</b>        | <b>235,265</b>        | <b>235,265</b>        | <b>0</b>                |

Special Levies are due to be paid by constituent Councils in two equal halves on 1 May and 1 November every year.

**3i GRANTS APPLIED**

Grants Applied for this year and last year are as follows:

|                                                 | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Capital Scheme</b>                           |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| <b>River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b> |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Bawdsey Pumping Station                         | 0                     | 689                   | 0                     | 689                     |
| SCH01: Health and Safety Works                  | 0                     | 305                   | 0                     | 305                     |
|                                                 | <b>0</b>              | <b>994</b>            | <b>0</b>              | <b>994</b>              |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>  |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Alde & Ore Pumping Station Phase 2 Sudbourne    | 0                     | 0                     | 500,000               | -500,000                |
| SCH01: Health and Safety Works                  | 0                     | 610                   | 0                     | 610                     |
| SCH06 Alde Ore Estuary Tidal Defence            | 0                     | 1,080                 | 0                     | 1,080                   |
| SCH10 Alde and Ore Estuary WLM FCERM 7 Study    | 82,816                | 24,912                | 8,000                 | 16,912                  |
| SCH12 Upper Alde Ore Estuary Bank Improvements  | 394,477               | 281,212               | 4,356,198             | -4,074,986              |
| SCH13 Lower Alde Ore Estuary Bank Improvements  | 39,207                | -41,768               | 0                     | -41,768                 |
|                                                 | <b>516,500</b>        | <b>266,045</b>        | <b>4,864,198</b>      | <b>-4,598,153</b>       |
| <b>River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b> |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| SCH01: Health and Safety Works                  | 0                     | 102                   | 0                     | 102                     |
| SCH11 Tidal Blyth WLM FCERM 7 Study             | 0                     | -4,390                | 0                     | -4,390                  |
|                                                 | <b>0</b>              | <b>-4,288</b>         | <b>0</b>              | <b>-4,288</b>           |
|                                                 | <b>516,500</b>        | <b>262,750</b>        | <b>4,864,198</b>      | <b>-4,601,448</b>       |

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**3ii GRANTS APPLIED - Tranche Funding**

Grants Applied for this year and last year are as follows:

| Capital Scheme                                      | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>     |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| AT1-036 Pumping Station Electricity                 | 17,557                | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| SCH14 AT1-126 Outfall Replacements                  | 111,336               | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| SCH15 AT1-127 Culvert Replacement Falkenham         | 51,894                | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| SCH16 AT2-145 Culvert Replacement Falkenham Marshes | 151,302               | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| SCH17 AT2B-087 Debenham NFM                         | 0                     | 115,000               | 0                     | 115,000                 |
|                                                     | <b>332,089</b>        | <b>115,000</b>        | <b>0</b>              | <b>115,000</b>          |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>      |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| AT1-036 Pumping Station Electricity                 | 27,514                | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| AT1-126 Outfall Replacements                        | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                     | <b>27,514</b>         | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>             |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                     | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>     |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| AT1-036 Pumping Station Electricity                 | 5,141                 | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                     | <b>5,141</b>          | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>Gravity Sub District:</b>                        |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                     | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District:</b>     |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                     | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
|                                                     | <b>364,744</b>        | <b>115,000</b>        | <b>0</b>              | <b>115,000</b>          |

**4 HIGHLAND WATER CONTRIBUTIONS**

- (i) This income now comes from the Environment Agency in September each year. Highland Water income has been derived from a relatively complex calculation designed to recompense the Board for managing the water that enters its Drainage District from the upper reaches of its hydraulic catchment.
- (ii) Highland water contributions are credited to each of the 6 Sub Districts according to an agreed fraction of the value of the maintenance work that has been carried out in each Sub District. These fractions are determined by the Environment Agency:

|                                         | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 25,184                | 44,215                | 28,306                | 15,909                  |
| Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District  | 70,336                | 43,209                | 48,607                | -5,397                  |
| AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District         | 1,435                 | 1,427                 | 1,247                 | 180                     |
| River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 6,040                 | 13,350                | 11,144                | 2,206                   |
| Gravity Sub District                    | 383                   | 3,912                 | 4,313                 | -401                    |
| Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District       | 316                   | -102                  | 258                   | -360                    |
|                                         | <b>103,694</b>        | <b>106,013</b>        | <b>93,875</b>         | <b>12,138</b>           |

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| 5 INCOME FROM RECHARGEABLE WORKS                   | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>     |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| <b>AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>            |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| <b>River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| N/A                                                | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| <b>Gravity Sub District:</b>                       |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Coastal Partnerships East (CPE004 fm October 2022) | 339,997               | 737,839               | 40,000                | 697,839                 |
| Kessingland PC                                     | 534                   | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RESR001                                            | 0                     | 6,531                 | 0                     | 6,531                   |
| ROX0001                                            | 3,058                 | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RSCC003                                            | 1,750                 | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RSCC004                                            | 1,006                 | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RSCC005                                            | 0                     | 9,810                 | 0                     | 9,810                   |
| RWI0002                                            | 296,007               | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RWV0007 - ESC re Lowestoft Barrier Deployment      | 62,272                | 42,629                | 0                     | 42,629                  |
| RNO001 Norfolk Rivers IDB                          | 480                   | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RBR0002 Broad (2006) IDB Recharge                  | 924                   | 192                   | 0                     | 192                     |
| RKI0017 Kings Lynn IDB (Fram Farmers Electricity)  | 1,613                 | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RSCC003 - Suffolk County Council                   | 0                     | 59,712                | 0                     | 59,712                  |
| RSO0001 South Holland                              | 370                   | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| RWA0004 Waveney Lower Yare & Lothingland IDB       | 4,055                 | 504                   | 0                     | 504                     |
| RWA0001 WMA Recharge                               | 29                    | 17,750                | 0                     | 17,750                  |
|                                                    | 712,094               | 874,967               | 40,000                | 834,967                 |
|                                                    | 712,094               | 874,967               | 40,000                | 834,967                 |

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**6 OTHER INCOME**

**River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**

|                             | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Investment Interest         | 28,553                | 21,162                | 13,925                | 7,237                   |
| Other Income from WMA (35%) | 125,467               | 127,169               | 116,869               | 10,300                  |
| SWDC                        | 0                     | 8,156                 | 0                     | 8,156                   |
| Summons Costs               | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                             | <b>154,020</b>        | <b>156,486</b>        | <b>130,794</b>        | <b>25,692</b>           |

**Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**

|                               |                |                |                |               |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Investment Interest           | 141,669        | 101,438        | 69,325         | 32,113        |
| Other Income from WMA (40.5%) | 145,183        | 147,152        | 135,234        | 11,918        |
| Summons Costs                 | 0              | 150            | 0              | 150           |
|                               | <b>286,852</b> | <b>248,740</b> | <b>204,559</b> | <b>44,181</b> |

**AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**

|                             |               |               |               |              |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Investment Interest         | 2,413         | 1,785         | 1,063         | 722          |
| Other Income from WMA (10%) | 35,848        | 36,334        | 33,391        | 2,943        |
| Summons Costs               | 0             | 150           | 0             | 150          |
|                             | <b>38,261</b> | <b>38,269</b> | <b>34,454</b> | <b>3,815</b> |

**River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**

|                              |               |               |               |              |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Investment Interest          | 4,104         | 3,041         | 1,688         | 1,354        |
| Other Income from WMA (7.5%) | 26,886        | 27,250        | 25,043        | 2,207        |
| Summons Costs                | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0            |
|                              | <b>30,990</b> | <b>30,292</b> | <b>26,731</b> | <b>3,561</b> |

**Gravity Sub District:**

|                            |               |               |               |              |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Investment Interest        | 21,066        | 18,284        | 12,675        | 5,609        |
| Other Income from WMA (5%) | 17,924        | 18,167        | 16,696        | 1,471        |
| Other Income               | 921           | 920           | 920           | 0            |
| SWDC                       | 54,765        | 91            | 0             | 91           |
| Summons Costs              | 525           | 1,800         | 0             | 1,800        |
|                            | <b>95,201</b> | <b>39,262</b> | <b>30,291</b> | <b>8,972</b> |

**Lower Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District:**

|                            |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Investment Interest        | 50,912        | 36,405        | 26,313        | 10,092        |
| Other Income from WMA (2%) | 7,170         | 7,267         | 6,678         | 589           |
| Summons Costs              | 0             | 450           | 0             | 450           |
|                            | <b>58,082</b> | <b>44,121</b> | <b>32,991</b> | <b>11,131</b> |

|                |                |                |               |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>663,407</b> | <b>557,170</b> | <b>459,819</b> | <b>97,352</b> |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|

Investment Interest is apportioned to each sub district according to the closing balances of the Sub District, along with the year end balance of the Public Works Board Loan, when expressed as a proportion of the Board's total closing balances as at the previous year end: River Deben (11.62%), Lower Alde (55.70%), AHB (0.98%), River Blyth (1.67%), Gravity (10.04%) and Lower Alde TG (19.99%).

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**7 CAPITAL WORKS**

- (i) The following capital work was undertaken during this year and last year. The Board is happy to receive any questions the reader may have about this work and contact details can be accessed from our website:

|                                                                    | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Grant Aided Works</b>                                           |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| <b>SD1 River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| SCH08 Falkenham Marshes:Pumping Station (Replacement & Relocation) | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>SD2 Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                 |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Alde & Ore Pumping Station Phase 2 Sudbourne                       | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| SCH06 Alde Ore Estuary Tidal Defence                               | 0                     | 0                     | 500,000               | 500,000                 |
| SCH10 Alde and Ore Estuary WLM FCERM 7 Study                       | 82,816                | 30,194                | 8,000                 | -22,194                 |
| SCH12 Upper Alde Ore Estuary Bank Improvements                     | 394,477               | 281,212               | 4,356,198             | 4,074,986               |
| SCH13 Lower Alde and Ore Estuary Bank Improvements                 | 39,207                | -41,768               | 0                     | 41,768                  |
|                                                                    | <b>516,500</b>        | <b>270,718</b>        | <b>4,864,198</b>      | <b>4,593,480</b>        |
| <b>SD4 River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| SCH11 Tidal Blyth WLM FCERM 7 Study                                | 0                     | -4,390                | 0                     | 4,390                   |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>-4,390</b>         | <b>0</b>              | <b>4,390</b>            |
| <b>SD6 Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District:</b>                      |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| Public Works Loan: £3m, Interest Payments                          | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| Public Works Loan: £3m, Principal Repayments                       | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
|                                                                    | <b>516,500</b>        | <b>266,328</b>        | <b>4,864,198</b>      | <b>4,597,870</b>        |
| <b>7ii CAPITAL WORKS - Tranche Funding Capital Scheme</b>          |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| <b>River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| AT1-126 Outfall Replacements                                       | 111,348               | 498                   | 0                     | 498                     |
| AT1-127 Culvert Replacement Falkenham & Kings Fleet                | 51,919                | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| AT2-145 Culvert Replacement Falkenham Marshes                      | 164,573               | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| AT2B-087 Debenham NFM                                              | 0                     | 115,002               | 0                     | 115,002                 |
|                                                                    | <b>327,841</b>        | <b>115,500</b>        | <b>0</b>              | <b>115,500</b>          |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                     |                       |                       |                       |                         |
| AT1-126 Outfall Replacements                                       | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                            |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:</b>                    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>Gravity Sub District:</b>                                       |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
| <b>Lower Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District:</b>                    |                       |                       |                       |                         |
|                                                                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
|                                                                    | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |
|                                                                    | <b>327,841</b>        | <b>115,500</b>        | <b>0</b>              | <b>115,500</b>          |

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**8 ENVIRONMENT AGENCY PRECEPT**

The Precept is paid to the Environment Agency for maintaining the main rivers and sea defences that help protect the Board's area. Half of the Precept is payable to the Environment Agency on 31 May and the other half is paid to them on 30 November each year. The amount payable is apportioned to each of the Board's sub districts according to assessable value:

|                                         | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 7,555                 | 7,782                 | 7,782                 | 0                       |
| Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District  | 6,641                 | 6,840                 | 6,840                 | 0                       |
| AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District         | 1,108                 | 1,141                 | 1,141                 | 0                       |
| Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District       | 295                   | 304                   | 304                   | 0                       |
| Gravity Catchments Sub District         | 81,009                | 83,440                | 83,439                | 0                       |
| Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District       | 2,497                 | 2,572                 | 2,572                 | 0                       |
|                                         | <b>99,105</b>         | <b>102,079</b>        | <b>102,079</b>        | <b>0</b>                |

**9 MAINTENANCE WORKS**

- (i) The detailed maintenance work undertaken in each of the Board's sub districts is charged directly and can be viewed in the Maintenance section of this Report (other than Technical Support Costs, which are apportioned as follows: Lower Deben 35%, Lower Alde 40.5%, AHB 7.5%, River Blyth 7.5%, Gravity Areas 7.5%, and Lower Alde 2%. Maintenance work undertaken during this year and last year is summarised as follows:

|                                         | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 231,135               | 187,671               | 190,102               | 2,431                   |
| Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District  | 421,596               | 315,818               | 397,127               | 81,309                  |
| AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District         | 42,430                | 35,550                | 40,156                | 4,606                   |
| Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District       | 48,521                | 47,103                | 48,092                | 989                     |
| Gravity Catchments Sub District         | 42,181                | 65,845                | 51,256                | -14,589                 |
| Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District       | 70,694                | 28,868                | 48,115                | 19,247                  |
|                                         | <b>856,557</b>        | <b>680,854</b>        | <b>774,847</b>        | <b>93,993</b>           |

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**10 ADMINISTRATION CHARGES**

- (i) Administration charges include the Board's share of consortium expenditure, together with other expenses shown below (excluding technical support costs, which are included in the maintenance works expenditure). Detailed expenditure is regularly monitored by the Consortium Management Committee and the Board. The Board's representatives are happy to receive any questions the reader may have and their contact details can be accessed from the Board's website:

|                                        | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| (ii) Shared Administration Staff Costs | 117,711               | 138,594               | 132,331               | -6,264                  |
| Other Staff Administration Costs       | 55,907                | 51,632                | 50,671                | -961                    |
|                                        | <b>173,618</b>        | <b>190,226</b>        | <b>183,002</b>        | <b>-7,225</b>           |
| Anglia Farmers Annual Subscription     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| Sundry Expenses                        | 1,080                 | 451                   | 1,000                 | 549                     |
| Drainage Rates: AV Increases/Decreases | -252                  | -5,349                | 1,000                 | 6,349                   |
| Drainage Rates: Settlement Discount    | 1,798                 | 1,855                 | 2,000                 | 145                     |
| <b>Other Expenses</b>                  | <b>2,626</b>          | <b>-3,043</b>         | <b>4,000</b>          | <b>7,043</b>            |
| <b>Total Administration Charges</b>    | <b>176,244</b>        | <b>187,183</b>        | <b>187,002</b>        | <b>-182</b>             |

(iii) **Consortium Charges**

**Y-T-D Budget Y-T-D Actual**

Expenses

|                                                       |         |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Technical Support Staff (see Maintenance Works Sheet) | 343,113 | 347,571 |
| Other Technical Support (see Maintenance Works Sheet) | 48,946  | 43,132  |
| Administration Staff Costs (note 10ii)                | 132,331 | 138,594 |
| Other Administration Costs (Note 10ii)                | 50,671  | 51,632  |

Shared Income from the WMA (note 6) -342,646 -363,339

**Net Consortium Charge**

**232,415 217,590**

- (iv) Administration costs are apportioned to each of the Board's sub districts as follows: River Deben (15%), Lower Alde TP (20%), AHB (4%), River Blyth (2%), Gravity (56%) and Lower Alde TG (3%). The Consultancy for the funding initiative is apportioned to each of the 3 relevant sub districts according to their proportion of aggregate assessable value. Depreciation for the Estuary Walls is split across Lower Alde and Alde, according to the Loan Ratio Principle Lower Alde Pumped (72.77%) Alde TG (27.23%):

|                                         | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District | 26,437                | 28,077                | 28,050                | -27                     |
| Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District  | 35,249                | 37,437                | 37,400                | -36                     |
| AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District         | 7,050                 | 7,487                 | 7,480                 | -7                      |
| Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District       | 3,525                 | 3,744                 | 3,740                 | -4                      |
| Gravity Catchments Sub District         | 98,696                | 104,823               | 104,721               | -102                    |
| Alde (Tidal Gravity) Sub District       | 5,287                 | 5,615                 | 5,610                 | -5                      |
|                                         | <b>176,244</b>        | <b>187,183</b>        | <b>187,002</b>        | <b>-182</b>             |

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**11 COST OF RECHARGEABLE WORKS**

**River Deben (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**  
N/A

| 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Budget (£) | 2025/26<br>Variance (£) |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 0                     | 0                     | 0                     | 0                       |
| <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>                |

**Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**  
Iken Wall - Legal Fees and Associated Costs

|          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

**AHB (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**  
N/A

|          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

**River Blyth (Tidal Pumped) Sub District:**  
N/A

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|---|---|

**Gravity Sub District:**

RAW0001  
RAOET0003  
RBE0001  
Coastal Partnership East ESC (RCPE001)  
Coastal Partnership East ESC (RCPE004)  
RESC0003  
RESC0005  
RESR001  
RKE0001  
RLE0001  
RNI001  
ROX0001  
RROX001  
RSCC003  
RSCC004  
RSCC005  
RSU0001  
RWI0002  
RWV0007 Waveney District Council - re Lowestoft Barriers  
RWV0020  
RKI0017 Kings Lynn IDB  
RNO001 Norfolk Rivers IDB Recharge  
RBR0002 Broads (2006) IDB Recharge  
RSO0001 South Holland IDB  
RWA0004 Waveney Lower Yare & Lothingland  
RWA0001 WMA Recharge

|                |                |          |                 |
|----------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| 0              | -4,865         | 0        | 4,865           |
| 0              | -2,626         | 0        | 2,626           |
| -10,493        | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 0              | -17,870        | 0        | 17,870          |
| 383,776        | 737,839        | 0        | -737,839        |
| -3,128         | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 0              | -17,020        | 0        | 17,020          |
| 0              | 6,481          | 0        | -6,481          |
| -1,667         | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| -15,000        | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| -1,635         | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 3,058          | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| -3,077         | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 1,750          | 59,712         | 0        | -59,712         |
| 1,006          | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 0              | 7,268          | 0        | -7,268          |
| -179           | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 296,007        | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 52,514         | 41,321         | 0        | -41,321         |
| -4,857         | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 0              | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 480            | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 924            | 192            | 0        | -192            |
| 370            | 0              | 0        | 0               |
| 4,055          | 504            | 0        | -504            |
| 29             | 17,750         | 0        | -17,750         |
| <b>703,934</b> | <b>828,685</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>-828,685</b> |
| <b>703,934</b> | <b>828,685</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>-828,685</b> |

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| 11ii PROFESSIONAL FEES - IKEN COURT CASE (Lower Alde - Pumped) | 2024/25        | 2025/26       | 2025/26       | 2025/26       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                                                | Actual (£)     | Actual (£)    | Budget (£)    | Variance (£)  |
| Iken Wall - Legal Fees and Associated External Costs           | 126,547        | 25,648        | 60,000        | 34,353        |
|                                                                | <b>126,547</b> | <b>25,648</b> | <b>60,000</b> | <b>34,353</b> |

## 12 DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE

|                   | 2024/25<br>Actual (£) | 2025/26<br>Actual (£) |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Other Expenditure | 383                   | 0                     |
|                   | <b>383</b>            | <b>0</b>              |

## 13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

|                                                      | Land and<br>Buildings | Total          |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                                          |                       |                |
| Opening Balance as at 1-4-2025                       | 255,334               | 255,334        |
| (+) Additions                                        | 0                     | 0              |
| (-) Impairment                                       | 0                     | 0              |
| (-) Disposals                                        | 0                     | 0              |
| Closing Balance as at 31-3-2026                      | <b>255,334</b>        | <b>255,334</b> |
| <b>Depreciation</b>                                  |                       |                |
| Opening Balance as at 1-4-2025                       | 250,436               | 250,436        |
| (+) Depreciation Charge for year                     | 4,898                 | 4,898          |
| (-) Accumulated depreciation written out on disposal | 0                     | 0              |
| Closing Balance as at 31-3-2026                      | <b>255,334</b>        | <b>255,334</b> |
| Net Book Value at 31-3-2025                          | <b>4,898</b>          | <b>4,898</b>   |
| Net Book Value at 31-3-2026                          | <b>0</b>              | <b>0</b>       |

- (i) Full details of all Assets are recorded in the Board's Fixed Asset Register, which can be made available to the reader upon request.
- (ii) It should be noted that only 3 of the Board's 10 Pumping Stations had a net book value of greater than zero, and those have been fully depreciated in year. If all 10 of the Board's Pumping Stations were revalued and capitalised it would lead to a significant impairment charge being made to the Lower Alde Sub District.

## 14 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

|                                           | 2024/25        | 2025/26        |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Opening Balance as at 1-4-2025 b/fwd      | 527,129        | 338,367        |
| (+) Receipts                              | 3,054,313      | 3,113,032      |
| (-) Payments                              | -3,243,075     | -3,124,078     |
| (=) Closing Balance as at 31-3-2026 c/fwd | <b>338,367</b> | <b>327,321</b> |
| Balance on Statement as at 31-3-2026      | 338,344        | 327,121        |
| (-) Less: Unpresented Payments            | 0              | 0              |
| (+) Add: Unpresented Receipts             | 23             | 200            |
| (=) Closing Balance as at 31-3-2026 c/fwd | <b>338,367</b> | <b>327,321</b> |

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15 SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS

Short term Investments as at 31-3-2026 are as follows:

| Financial Institution              | Capital          | Investment Date | Maturity Date | Variable Interest Rate |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Saffron Building Society           | 500,000          | 03/10/25        | 10/04/26      | 3.95%                  |
| Nottingham Building Society        | 500,000          | 18/12/25        | 29/04/26      | 3.74%                  |
| Newcastle Building Society         | 250,000          | 14/01/26        | 14/05/26      | 3.80%                  |
| West Bromwich Building Society     | 500,000          | 12/02/26        | 29/06/26      | 3.52%                  |
| Melton Mowbray Building Society    | 250,000          | 26/02/26        | 30/07/26      | 3.75%                  |
| Progressive Building Society       | 500,000          | 30/03/26        | 30/07/26      | 3.85%                  |
| Newcastle Building Society         | 250,000          | 30/03/26        | 27/08/26      | 3.90%                  |
| Newcastle Building Society         | 150,000          | 12/03/26        | 27/08/26      | 3.80%                  |
| Melton Mowbray Building Society    | 500,000          | 14/01/26        | 13/01/27      | 3.75%                  |
| Vernon Building Society            | 500,000          | 12/03/26        | 25/02/27      | 3.70%                  |
| National Counties Building Society | 500,000          | 31/03/26        | 31/03/27      | 4.26%                  |
|                                    | <b>4,400,000</b> |                 |               |                        |

16 DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

| <u>Work In Progress:</u> | 2024/25       | 2025/26       |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| REA0004                  | 0             | 32,213        |
| REA0005                  |               | 9,140         |
| REA0007                  |               | 4,048         |
| RPA0001                  | 0             | 1,245         |
| RSCC003                  | 27,493        | 0             |
| RSCC004                  | 344           | 344           |
| RSCC006                  | 0             | 15,775        |
| RWA001                   | 210           | 17            |
| Sizewell C               | 9,750         | 0             |
|                          | <b>37,798</b> | <b>62,782</b> |

| <u>Debtors</u> |         |         |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Trade Debtors  | 408,527 | 303,125 |

|                          | Number of Debtors | Amount         |
|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <=30 days                | 2                 | 303,125        |
| > 30 days and <= 60 days | 0                 | 0              |
| > 60 days and <= 90 days | 0                 | 0              |
| > 90 days                | 0                 | 0              |
|                          | <b>2</b>          | <b>303,125</b> |

| <u>Other Debtors</u>                  |                |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Drainage Rates and Special Levies Due | 666            | -360           |
| H M Revenue and Customs               | 0              | 0              |
| Amounts owed from/(to) WMA            | 49,759         | -37,305        |
| Grants Due                            | 0              | 0              |
|                                       | <b>496,749</b> | <b>328,242</b> |

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**17 CREDITORS AND RECEIPTS IN ADVANCE**

|                                                    | <b>2024/25</b>   | <b>2025/26</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Trade Creditors                                    | 336,458          | 36,149         |
| H M Revenue and Customs                            | 5,951            | 54,593         |
| Accruals                                           | 695,761          | 754,140        |
| Rates/Special Levies Received In Advance           | 947              | 225            |
| Payments received in advance (Rechargeable Works)  | 3,937            | 0              |
| Payments received in advance (WFDG: Waldringfield) | 12,832           | 12,832         |
|                                                    | <b>1,055,885</b> | <b>857,939</b> |

**18 LOANS OUTSTANDING**

|                                      | <b>2024/25</b>   | <b>2025/26</b>   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Loans Payable in next 12 months      | 102,698          | 106,004          |
| Loans Payable in more than 12 months | 2,404,883        | 2,298,878        |
|                                      | <b>2,507,580</b> | <b>2,404,883</b> |

One of the Board's predecessors (Lower Alde IDB) took out 4 loans to refurbish the following pumping stations in 2005: Butley, Chillesford and Gedgrave pumping stations. The cost of servicing these loans is charged directly to the Lower Alde (Tidal Pumped) Sub District. The Interest rates on these loans vary from 4.70% to 5.15%.

In 2017 the Board took out a loan of £3m at a fixed rate of interest of 2.74% repayable over 30 years, to part fund estuary wall reinstatement work in the Alde-Ore Estuary. The estuary walls protect this area of the drainage district.

**19 RESERVES**

|                                    | <b>Development Reserves</b> | <b>General Reserves</b> | <b>Capital Reserves</b> | <b>Total Reserves</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Opening Balances as at 1-4-2025    | 222,531                     | 169,802                 | 883,495                 | 1,275,828             |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | 0                           | 283,943                 | 0                       | 283,943               |
| Transfers to/(from) Reserves       | 8,247                       | -283,943                | 275,696                 | 0                     |
| Closing Balances as at 31-3-2026   | <b>230,778</b>              | <b>169,802</b>          | <b>1,159,191</b>        | <b>1,559,771</b>      |

- (i) Please note the Statement of Movement on Reserves, which shows the movements and balances of the General and Capital Reserves for each of the Board's Sub Districts.
- (ii) The Board is a member of the Water Management Alliance Consortium and as such also has a proportion of the pension liability for the shared staff that are employed by King's Lynn IDB, t/a the Water Management Alliance. The Fund Actuary for Norfolk County Council has prepared a separate Report for the Water Management Alliance, which identifies a notional net pension liability of £3,345,000 as at 31 March 2026 that is shared by all 7 Member Boards. The Board's share of this pension asset/liability is set out every year in the WMAs Basis of Apportionment, which was approved by the Board on 27 January 2025.

**20 GRANTS RESERVE**

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Opening Balances as at 1-4-2025     | £400,721        |
| Add: Grant Received during the year | £95,000         |
| Less: Grant Applied                 | -£262,750       |
|                                     | <b>£232,971</b> |
| Add: Grant Due                      | £0              |
| Closing Balances as at 31-3-2026    | <b>£232,971</b> |

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**21 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

(i) The following Board members have performed pump attendance duties at the Board's pumping stations during the year, for which they have claimed/will claim the following payments:

|                                   |                 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Mr R Mann (Iken Hall Farms)       | £680 Iken       |
| Sir E Greenwell (Greenwell Farms) | £1,050 Gedgrave |
|                                   | <u>£1,730</u>   |

(ii) The following Works Committee members have performed pump attendance duties at the Board's pumping stations during the year, for which they have claimed/will claim the following payments:

|                                           |                    |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Major J Greenwell (Capel St Andrew Farms) | £1,000 Butley      |
| Mr R Skepper (Ferry Farm Co)              | £1,200 Sudbourne   |
| Mr G Watson (Chillesford Lodge Estate)    | £1,150 Chillesford |
| Mr M Hollingsworth                        | £1,000 Falkenham   |
|                                           | <u>£4,350</u>      |

(iii) All elected members of the Board pay Drainage Rates either as Individuals, Partners in Partnerships, or as Directors of limited companies; the exact nature of which can be found in the Rate Book as at 1 April 2025.

(iv) The Board is a member of the Water Management Alliance Consortium, who provide administrative and technical support services to the Board. The Board has 2 representatives and 1 substitute member who serve on the Consortium Management Committee, which include the Chairman, and the Board Members Sir Edward Greenwell and Mr M Paul. The Chairman receives £3,500.00 Chairmans Allowance for her duties annually. This allowance is paid monthly via WMA Payroll.

**Recommended Actions:**

- To approve the Financial Report for the period ending 31-3-2026.

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

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| BOX NO. ANNUAL RETURN, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026 |                                                          | ACTUAL<br>2024/25<br>£ | ACTUAL<br>2025/26<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>1</b>                                                | <b>Balances brought forward</b>                          |                        |                        |
|                                                         | General Reserves                                         | 169,802                | 115,037                |
|                                                         | Development Reserve                                      | 167,766                | 222,531                |
|                                                         | Grants Reserve                                           | 667,221                | 400,721                |
|                                                         | Capital Reserves                                         | 828,784                | 938,260                |
|                                                         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>1,833,572</b>       | <b>1,676,549</b>       |
|                                                         | <b>(-) Fixed Assets, Long Term Liabilities and Loans</b> |                        |                        |
|                                                         | Loans Payable in less than 12 months                     | -99,501                | -102,698               |
|                                                         | Long Term Liabilities                                    | -2,507,580             | -2,404,883             |
|                                                         | Net Book Value of Tangible Fixed Assets                  | 185,510                | 4,898                  |
|                                                         |                                                          | <b>-2,421,572</b>      | <b>-2,502,682</b>      |
|                                                         | <b>(=) Adjusted Balances brought forward</b>             | <b>4,255,144</b>       | <b>4,179,231</b>       |
| <b>2</b>                                                | <b>(+) Rates and Special Levies</b>                      |                        |                        |
|                                                         | Drainage Rates                                           | 326,622                | 339,054                |
|                                                         | Special Levies issued by the Board                       | 229,527                | 235,265                |
|                                                         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>556,149</b>         | <b>574,319</b>         |
| <b>3</b>                                                | <b>(+) All Other Income</b>                              |                        |                        |
|                                                         | Grants Applied                                           | 516,500                | 262,750                |
|                                                         | Grants Applied Tranche 1 + 2                             | 364,744                | 115,000                |
|                                                         | Grant Due                                                | 0                      | 0                      |
|                                                         | Highland Water Contributions                             | 103,694                | 106,013                |
|                                                         | Other Income                                             | 663,407                | 557,170                |
|                                                         | Income from Alde and Ore Trust                           | 0                      | 0                      |
|                                                         | Income from Rechargeable Works                           | 712,094                | 874,967                |
|                                                         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>2,360,438</b>       | <b>1,915,900</b>       |
|                                                         | <b>(+) Grants Applied to Grants Received Conversion</b>  |                        |                        |
|                                                         | (-) Grants Applied                                       | -516,500               | -262,750               |
|                                                         | (-) Grants Applied Tranche 1 + 2                         | -364,744               | -115,000               |
|                                                         | (+) Grants Received                                      | 250,000                | 95,000                 |
|                                                         | (+) Grants Received Tranche 1 + 2                        | 364,744                | 115,000                |
|                                                         |                                                          | <b>-266,500</b>        | <b>-167,750</b>        |
|                                                         | <b>(=) Adjusted Other Income</b>                         | <b>2,093,938</b>       | <b>1,748,150</b>       |
| <b>4</b>                                                | <b>(-) Staff Costs</b>                                   |                        |                        |
|                                                         | Shared Technical Support Staff Costs                     | 363,340                | 347,571                |
|                                                         | Shared Administration Staff Costs                        | 37,929                 | 43,132                 |
|                                                         |                                                          | <b>401,269</b>         | <b>390,703</b>         |
| <b>5</b>                                                | <b>(-) Loan Interest/Capital Repayments</b>              |                        |                        |
|                                                         | Loan Interest                                            | 72,044                 | 68,847                 |
|                                                         | Capital Repayments                                       | 99,501                 | 102,698                |
|                                                         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>171,545</b>         | <b>171,545</b>         |

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| BOX NO. | ANNUAL RETURN, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026          | ACTUAL<br>2024/25<br>£ | ACTUAL<br>2025/26<br>£ |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 6       | <b>(-) All Other Expenditure</b>                         |                        |                        |
|         | Capital Works                                            | 516,500                | 266,328                |
|         | Tranche Expenditure                                      | 327,841                | 115,500                |
|         | Maintenance Works                                        | 856,556                | 680,854                |
|         | Environment Agency Precept                               | 99,105                 | 102,079                |
|         | Administration Charges                                   | 176,244                | 187,183                |
|         | Development Expenditure                                  | 383                    | 0                      |
|         | Professional Fees Iken                                   | 126,547                | 25,648                 |
|         | Cost of Rechargeable Works                               | 703,934                | 828,685                |
|         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>2,807,110</b>       | <b>2,206,276</b>       |
|         | <b>(-) Loan Interest shown separately</b>                | <b>72,044</b>          | <b>68,847</b>          |
|         | <b>(-) Depreciation charged to Maintenance Works</b>     | <b>180,612</b>         | <b>4,898</b>           |
|         | <b>(-) Staff Costs now recorded in Box 4</b>             | <b>401,269</b>         | <b>390,703</b>         |
|         | <b>(+) Capitalised Additions</b>                         |                        |                        |
|         | Land and Buildings                                       | 0                      | 0                      |
|         | Plant and Equipment                                      | 0                      | 0                      |
|         |                                                          | <b>0</b>               | <b>0</b>               |
|         | <b>(=) Adjusted Other Expenditure</b>                    | <b>2,153,186</b>       | <b>1,741,828</b>       |
| 7       | <b>(=) Balances carried forward</b>                      |                        |                        |
|         | General Reserves                                         | 115,037                | 169,802                |
|         | Development Reserve                                      | 222,531                | 230,778                |
|         | Grants Reserve                                           | 400,721                | 232,971                |
|         | Grant Reserve Tranche 1 + 2                              | 0                      | 0                      |
|         | Capital Reserves                                         | 938,260                | 1,159,191              |
|         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>1,676,549</b>       | <b>1,792,741</b>       |
|         | <b>(-) Fixed Assets, Long Term Liabilities and Loans</b> |                        |                        |
|         | Loans Payable in less than 12 months                     | -102,698               | -106,004               |
|         | Long Term Borrowing                                      | -2,404,883             | -2,298,878             |
|         | Net Book Value of Tangible Fixed Assets                  | 4,898                  | 0                      |
|         |                                                          | <b>-2,502,682</b>      | <b>-2,404,883</b>      |
|         | <b>(=) Adjusted Balances carried forward</b>             | <b>4,179,231</b>       | <b>4,197,624</b>       |
| 8       | <b>Total Cash and Short Term Investments</b>             |                        |                        |
|         | Cash at Bank and in Hand                                 | 338,367                | 327,321                |
|         | Short term Investments                                   | 4,400,000              | 4,400,000              |
|         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>4,738,367</b>       | <b>4,727,321</b>       |
| 9       | <b>Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Assets</b>           |                        |                        |
|         | Land and Buildings (valued at Purchase Cost)             | 255,334                | 255,334                |
|         | Alde Ore Estuary Walls (valued at Purchase Cost)         | 0                      | 0                      |
|         | Shared Consortium Assets (valued at Net Book Value)      | 0                      | 0                      |
|         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>255,334</b>         | <b>255,334</b>         |
| 10      | <b>Total Borrowings</b>                                  |                        |                        |
|         | Loans Due (<= 1 Year)                                    | 102,698                | 106,004                |
|         | Loans Due (> 1 Year)                                     | 2,404,883              | 2,298,878              |
|         | <b>As per Statement of Accounts</b>                      | <b>2,507,580</b>       | <b>2,404,883</b>       |

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| BOX NO. | ANNUAL RETURN, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026 | ACTUAL<br>2024/25<br>£ | ACTUAL<br>2025/26<br>£ |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|---------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|

| 7, 8 | RECONCILIATION BETWEEN BOXES 7 AND 8 | ACTUAL<br>2024/25<br>£ | ACTUAL<br>2025/26<br>£ |
|------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|

|          |                                                                           |                  |                  |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>7</b> | <b>Balances carried forward (adjusted)</b>                                | <b>4,179,231</b> | <b>4,197,624</b> |
|          | <b>(-) Deduct: Debtors and Prepayments</b>                                |                  |                  |
|          | Trade Debtors                                                             | 408,527          | 303,125          |
|          | Work in Progress                                                          | 37,798           | 62,782           |
|          | Drainage Rate Debtors                                                     | 666              | -360             |
|          | H M Revenue and Customs                                                   | 0                | 0                |
|          | Amounts owed from/(to) WMA                                                | 49,759           | -37,305          |
|          | Grants Due                                                                | 0                | 0                |
|          |                                                                           | <b>496,749</b>   | <b>328,242</b>   |
|          | <b>(+) Add: Creditors and Payments Received in Advance (&lt;= 1 Year)</b> |                  |                  |
|          | Trade Creditors                                                           | 336,458          | 36,149           |
|          | H M Revenue and Customs                                                   | 5,951            | 54,593           |
|          | Accruals                                                                  | 695,761          | 754,140          |
|          | Payments received in advance (AOET: Rechargeable Works)                   | 3,937            | 0                |
|          | Payments received in advance (WFDG)                                       | 12,832           | 12,832           |
|          | Payments received in advance (Drainage Rates/Special Levy)                | 947              | 225              |
|          | Payments received in advance (Other)                                      | 0                | 0                |
|          |                                                                           | <b>1,055,885</b> | <b>857,939</b>   |
|          | <b>(=) Box 8</b>                                                          | <b>4,738,367</b> | <b>4,727,321</b> |
| <b>8</b> | <b>(=) Total Cash and Short Term Investments</b>                          |                  |                  |
|          | Cash at Bank and in Hand                                                  | 338,367          | 327,321          |
|          | Short term Investments                                                    | 4,400,000        | 4,400,000        |
|          |                                                                           | <b>4,738,367</b> | <b>4,727,321</b> |

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

08 JUNE 2026

# Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 Form 3

To be completed by Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and other Smaller Authorities\*:

- where the higher of gross income or gross expenditure exceeded £25,000 but did not exceed £15 million; or
- where the higher of gross income or gross expenditure was £25,000 or less but that:
  - are unable to certify themselves as exempt (fee payable); or
  - have requested a limited assurance review (fee payable)

## Guidance notes on completing Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26

1. Every smaller authority in England that either received gross income or incurred gross expenditure exceeding £25,000 **must** complete Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return at the end of each financial year in accordance with *Proper Practices*.
2. **The Annual Governance and Accountability Return is made up of three parts, pages 3 to 6:**
  - The **Annual Internal Audit Report** **must** be completed by the authority's internal auditor.
  - **Sections 1 and 2** **must** be completed and approved by the authority.
  - **Section 3** is completed by the external auditor and will be returned to the authority.
3. The authority **must** approve Section 1, Annual Governance Statement, before approving Section 2, Accounting Statements, and both **must** be approved and published on the authority website/webpage **before 1 July 2026**.
4. An authority with either gross income or gross expenditure exceeding £25,000 or an authority with neither income nor expenditure exceeding £25,000, but which is unable to certify itself as exempt, or is requesting a limited assurance review, **must** return to the external auditor by email or post (not both) **no later than 30 June 2026** Reminder letters will incur a charge of £40 +VAT:
  - the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Sections 1 and 2, together with
  - a bank reconciliation as at 31 March 2026
  - an explanation of any significant year on year variances in the accounting statements
  - notification of the commencement date of the period for the exercise of public rights
  - Annual Internal Audit Report 2025/26

Unless requested, do not send any additional documents to your external auditor. Your external auditor will ask for any additional documents needed.

Once the external auditor has completed the limited assurance review and is able to give an opinion, the Annual Governance and Accountability Return **Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3 – External Auditor Report and Certificate** will be returned to the authority by email or post.

## Publication Requirements

Under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, authorities **must** publish the following information on the authority website/webpage:

Before 1 July 2026 authorities **must** publish:

- Notice of the period for the exercise of public rights and a declaration that the accounting statements are as yet unaudited;
- **Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2025/26** approved and signed, page 4
- **Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2025/26** approved and signed, page 5

Not later than 30 September 2026 authorities **must** publish:

- Notice of conclusion of audit
- **Section 3 - External Auditor Report and Certificate**
- **Sections 1 and 2 of AGAR** including any amendments as a result of the limited assurance review. It is recommended as best practice, to avoid any potential confusion by local electors and interested parties, that you also publish the Annual Internal Audit Report, page 3.

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return constitutes the annual return referred to in the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015. Throughout, the words 'external auditor' have the same meaning as the words 'local auditor' in the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

\*for a complete list of bodies that may be smaller authorities refer to schedule 2 to the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

# Guidance notes on completing Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2025/26

- The authority **must** comply with *Proper Practices* in completing Sections 1 and 2 of this AGAR. *Proper Practices* are found in the *Practitioners' Guide\** which is updated from time to time and contains everything needed to prepare successfully for the financial year-end and the subsequent work by the external auditor.
- Make sure that the AGAR is complete (no highlighted boxes left empty) and is properly signed and dated. Any amendments **must** be approved by the authority and properly initialled.
- The authority **should** receive and note the Annual Internal Audit Report before approving the Annual Governance Statement and the accounts.
- Use the checklist provided below to review the AGAR for completeness before returning it to the external auditor by email or post (not both) no later than 30 June 2026
- The Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) **must** be approved before the Accounting Statements (Section 2) and evidenced by the agenda or minute references, even where approved on the same day.
- The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) **must** certify the accounts (Section 2) before they are presented to the authority for approval. The authority **must** in this order; consider, approve and sign the accounts.
- The RFO is required to commence the public rights period which **must** be a single period of 30 working days for inspection ( this excludes weekends and public holidays) which **must** include the first 10 working days of July.
- You must inform your external auditor about any change of Clerk, Responsible Financial Officer or Chair, and provide relevant authority owned generic email addresses and telephone numbers.**
- Make sure that the copy of the bank reconciliation to be sent to your external auditor with the AGAR covers all the bank accounts. If the authority holds any short-term investments, note their value on the bank reconciliation. The external auditor **must** be able to agree the bank reconciliation to Box 8 on the accounting statements (**Section 2, page 5**). An explanation **must** be provided of any difference between Box 7 and Box 8. More help on bank reconciliation is available in the *Practitioners' Guide\**.
- Explain fully significant variances in the accounting statements on **page 5**. Do not just send a copy of the detailed accounting records instead of this explanation. The external auditor wants to know that you understand the reasons for all variances. Include complete numerical and narrative analysis to support the full variance.
- Additional costs may be incurred if additional audit work is required.
- Make sure that the accounting statements add up and that the balance carried forward from the previous year (Box 7 of 2025) equals the balance brought forward in the current year (Box 1 of 2026).
- The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO), on behalf of the authority, **must** set the commencement date for the exercise of public rights which **must** be a single period of 30 working days for inspection (this excludes weekends and public holidays) which **must** include the first 10 working days of July.
- The authority **must** publish on the authority website/webpage the information required by Regulation 15 (2), Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, including the period for the exercise of public rights and the name and address of the external auditor **before 1 July 2026**

| Completion checklist – 'No' answers mean you may not have met requirements |                                                                                                                                                                                    | Yes | No |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| All sections                                                               | Have all highlighted boxes have been completed?                                                                                                                                    |     |    |
|                                                                            | Has all additional information requested, including <b>the dates set for the period for the exercise of public rights</b> , been provided for the external auditor?                |     |    |
| Internal Audit Report                                                      | Have all highlighted boxes been completed by the internal auditor and explanations provided?                                                                                       |     |    |
| Section 1                                                                  | For any statement to which the response is 'no', has an explanation been published?                                                                                                |     |    |
| Section 2                                                                  | Has the Responsible Financial Officer signed the accounting statements before presentation to the authority for approval?                                                          |     |    |
|                                                                            | Has the authority's approval of the accounting statements been confirmed by the signature of the Chair of the approval meeting?                                                    |     |    |
|                                                                            | Has an explanation of significant variations been published where required?                                                                                                        |     |    |
|                                                                            | Has the bank reconciliation as at <b>31 March 2026</b> been reconciled to Box 8?                                                                                                   |     |    |
|                                                                            | Has an explanation of any difference between Box 7 and Box 8 been provided?                                                                                                        |     |    |
| Sections 1 and 2                                                           | Trust funds – have all disclosures been made if the authority as a body corporate is a sole managing trustee? <b>NB:</b> do not send trust accounting statements unless requested. |     |    |

**\*Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices**, can be downloaded from [www.nalc.gov.uk](http://www.nalc.gov.uk) or from [www.ada.org.uk](http://www.ada.org.uk)

# Annual Internal Audit Report 2025/26

## EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

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During the financial year ended 31 March 2026, this authority's internal auditor acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with the relevant procedures and controls in operation and obtained appropriate evidence from the authority.

The internal audit for 2025/26 has been carried out in accordance with this authority's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of this authority.

| Internal control objective                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Yes | No* | Not covered**  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|----------------|
| A. Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ✓   |     |                |
| B. This authority complied with its financial regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                        | ✓   |     |                |
| C. This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ✓   |     |                |
| D. The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.                                                                                                                                                                                         | ✓   |     |                |
| E. Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ✓   |     |                |
| F. Cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |     |     | ✓              |
| G. Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.                                                                                                                                                                                              | ✓   |     |                |
| H. Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ✓   |     |                |
| I. Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ✓   |     |                |
| J. Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.                                                 | ✓   |     |                |
| K. If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2024/25, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2024/25 AGAR tick "not covered")                                                                                                      |     |     | ✓              |
| L. The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.                                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓   |     |                |
| M. In the year covered by this AGAR, the authority correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (during the 2025/26 AGAR period, were public rights in relation to the 2024-25 AGAR evidenced by a notice on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set). | ✓   |     |                |
| N. The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2024/25 AGAR (see AGAR Page 1 Guidance Notes).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓   |     |                |
| O. The authority has complied with laws, regulations & proper practices relating to digital and data compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     |     | ✓              |
| P. (For local councils only)<br>Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Yes | No  | Not applicable |

For any other risk areas identified by this authority adequate controls existed (list any other risk areas on separate sheets if needed).

Date(s) internal audit undertaken

Name of person who carried out the internal audit

16/3/26 - 20/3/26

DAVID ROBINSON

Signature of person who carried out the internal audit

Date

22/4/2026

\*If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

\*\*Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned; or, if coverage is not required, the annual internal audit report must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).

## Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

We acknowledge as the members of:

### EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Agreed |     |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes    | No* | 'Yes' means that this authority:                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.                                                                                                                           | ✓      |     | prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.                                                                                               |
| 2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.                                                                                                           | ✓      |     | made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.                                                                     |
| 3. We have assured ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances. | ✓      |     | has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.                                                                                     |
| 4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.                                                                                                        | ✓      |     | during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.                                                               |
| 5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.                                                     | ✓      |     | considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.                                                                                          |
| 6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.                                                                                                                                   | ✓      |     | arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority. |
| 7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.                                                                                                                                                                         | ✓      |     | responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.                                                                                                           |
| 8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.           | ✓      |     | disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.                                           |
| 9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.  | Yes    | No  | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |     | has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.                                                               |
| 10. We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review.                                                                                                                         | ✓      |     | has made suitable arrangements for its IT and data management and has complied with proper practices in doing so.                                                                       |

**\*Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.**

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

08/06/2026

and recorded as minute reference:

MINUTE REFERENCE

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Clerk

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

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## Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2025/26 for

### EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

|                                                             | Year ending           |                       | Notes and guidance                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                             | 31 March<br>2025<br>£ | 31 March<br>2026<br>£ |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1. Balances brought forward                                 | 4,255,144             | 4,179,231             | Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value <b>must</b> agree to Box 7 of previous year.                                                       |
| 2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies                          | 556,149               | 574,319               | Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.                                                                                 |
| 3. (+) Total other receipts                                 | 2,093,938             | 1,748,150             | Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.                                                                   |
| 4. (-) Staff costs                                          | 401,269               | 390,703               | Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments. |
| 5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments                     | 171,545               | 171,545               | Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).                                                                                      |
| 6. (-) All other payments                                   | 2,153,186             | 1,741,828             | Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).                                                                      |
| 7. (=) Balances carried forward                             | 4,179,231             | 4,197,624             | Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. <b>must</b> equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).                                                                                                                |
| 8. Total value of cash and short term investments           | 4,738,367             | 4,727,321             | The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – <b>To agree with bank reconciliation.</b>                                              |
| 9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets | 255,334               | 255,334               | The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.                                                                      |
| 10. Total borrowings                                        | 2,507,580             | 2,404,883             | The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).                                                                                                        |

| For Local Councils Only                                                              | Yes | No |                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11 Do the figures in the accounting statements above exclude any trust transactions? |     |    | For guidance refer to the Practitioners' Guide sections 2.31 to 2.33. |

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2026 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

**Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval.**

*S. J. L. J. R. E. I. R. E. D.*

Date

01/06/2026

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

08/06/2026

as recorded in minute reference:

MINUTE REFERENCE

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

## Section 3 – External Auditor’s Report and Certificate 2025/26

In respect of

EAST SUFFOLK WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

### 1 Respective responsibilities of the auditor and the authority

Our responsibility as auditors to complete a **limited assurance review** is set out by the National Audit Office (NAO). A limited assurance review is **not a full statutory audit**, it does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and hence it **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would. The UK Government has determined that a lower level of assurance than that provided by a full statutory audit is appropriate for those local public bodies with the lowest levels of spending.

Under a limited assurance review, the auditor is responsible for reviewing Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with NAO Auditor Guidance Note 02 (AGN 02) as issued by the NAO on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General. AGN 02 is available from the NAO website – <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/guidance-and-information-for-auditors/>.

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2026 and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

### 2 External auditor’s limited assurance opinion 2025/26

(Except for the matters reported below)\* on the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. (\*delete as appropriate).

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

### 3 External auditor certificate 2025/26

We certify/do not certify\* that we have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2026

\*We do not certify completion because:

External Auditor Name

ENTER NAME OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

External Auditor Signature

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Date

DD/MM/YYYY

**East Suffolk Water Management Board Risk Register – Full Risk Register**

As a Risk Management Authority the East Suffolk Water Management Board are required to have a risk register in order to systematically identify, assess and manage any potential risks to our business. It will also be used to ensure accountability, compliance with regulations, and the effective use of resources to safeguard public interests. The risk Register is a live document and should be reviewed regularly.

With regard to the Risk Register below:

- A Consequence of 3 relates to repercussions which would have a serious effect on the operation/service delivery, which may result in major financial loss (over £100,000) and/or major service disruption (+5 days) or impact on the public. Death of an individual or several people. Complete failure of project or extreme delay (over 2 months). Many individual personal details compromised/revealed. Adverse publicity in national press.
- A Consequence of 2 relates to repercussions which would have a noticeable effect on the operation/service delivery. May result in significant financial loss (over £25,000). Would cause a degree of disruption (2 – 5 days) or impact on the public. Severe injury to an individual or several people. Adverse effect on project/significant slippage. Some individual personal details compromised/revealed. Adverse publicity in local press.
- A Consequence of 1 relates to repercussions which would not be severe and any associated losses and or financial implications will be low (up to £10,000). Negligible effect on service delivery (1 day). Minor injury or discomfort to an individual or several people. Isolated individual personal detail compromised/revealed. NB A number of low incidents may have a significant cumulative effect and require attention.
- A Likelihood of 1 relates to an unlikely, outside risk of occurrence.
- A likelihood of 2 relates to this being a foreseeably realistic risk, which could happen infrequently.
- A likelihood of 3 relates to this being a high likelihood of occurrence.

Using the risk matrix shown below a risk rating score is determined, which enables risks to be prioritised using one or more of the “four T’s”:

- Tolerate - score 1-2 - Accept the risk
- Treat - score 3-4 - Take cost effective in-house actions to reduce the risk
- Transfer – score 6 - Dedicate major resources to managing the risk. If possible transfer the risk to someone else (e.g: by insurance or passing responsibility for the risk to another)
- Terminate – score 9 - Agree that the risk is too high and do not proceed with the project or activity

| Likelihood (1 – 3) | Consequence (1-3) |   |   |
|--------------------|-------------------|---|---|
|                    | 1                 | 2 | 3 |
| 1                  | 1                 | 2 | 3 |
| 2                  | 2                 | 4 | 6 |
| 3                  | 3                 | 6 | 9 |

**Officers Responsible for actions:**

MC – Marcus Coleman, Chief Executive, MP – Matthew Philpot, Chief Operating Officer & Deputy CEO, SJ - Sallyanne Jeffrey, Chief Financial Officer,  
 KN - Kari Nash, Project Delivery Manager, TH - Tom Hunter, Area Manager, AB – Ali Bloomfield, Operations Manager,  
 CL - Caroline Laburn, Environmental Manager, CB - Cathryn Brady, Head of Catchment Services,

THIS IS AN EXTRACT FROM THE FULL RISK REGISTER SHOWING RISKS WITH A SCORE OF 6 OR MORE. THE FULL RISK REGISTER IS BROUGHT TO THE BOARD AT THE FINAL MEETING OF THE YEAR

Purpose: The purpose of this Risk Register is to proactively identify, assess, and manage potential threats to the KLIDBs statutory duties, such as flood risk management, environmental obligations, and financial stability. It acts as a central repository for monitoring risks ranging from infrastructure failure (e.g., pumping stations) to regulatory non-compliance, enabling informed decision-making and ensuring accountability to ratepayers

| Objective                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Risk Identified                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Impact                                                                                                                                                                                        | Likelihood of risk identified occurring | Consequence of risk identified occurring | Risk Level | Action   | Details of how risk will be managed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Review Date | Officer responsible |
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| (1) To reduce the flood risk to people, property, public infrastructure and the natural environment by providing and maintaining technically, environmentally and economically sustainable flood defences within the Internal Drainage District (IDD). | (1a) Reduction in, or insufficient finance, grant and income.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Erosion of Board's capital and general reserves.<br><br>Unable to replace assets as scheduled in the Board's asset plan and EA MTP.                                                           | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Transfer | Use knowledge and skills of the projects team to fully utilize all funding streams available to projects, thus transferring the risk across a more diverse funding landscape.<br><br>Undertake recharge works to build board reserves.<br><br>Continue to lobby Defra to update the Land Drainage Act 1991 to refer to current rating lists used by billing authorities for levying agricultural drainage rates and special levies, as this would support the extension of the Board's area to its watershed catchment. This would provide additional rates to the Board from the upland area (and negate the need for HWCs). The Environment Act 2021 has been enacted, and the Statutory Instrument to update rating calculations has also been consulted on. We now wait for the relevant procedure to be followed for the law to be updated, after which further processes can commence. | 15/05/2026  | MP                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (1b) EA may cease to pay highland water contribution to IDBs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Reduction in FCREM service the Board is able to provide.                                                                                                                                      | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Transfer | Ensure highland water claims are clear, transparent, discussed with the EA in good time and submitted on time.<br><br>Ensure the importance of the HWC is recognized and supported by the EA, RFCC and constituent councils.<br><br>Continue with the district expansion plans such that HWC would no longer be needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 15/05/2026  | SJ/MP               |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (1r) The increasing number of water management initiatives being developed and promoted across the region could lead to a duplication of effort and emerging strategies which have conflicting objectives that could adversely impact on the Board's operations and/or increase flood risk.            | Increase pressure on management time as the Board attempts to keep a handle on the growing number of plans and initiatives in the catchment.                                                  | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Transfer | IDB consenting team to receive training on the possible impacts of water level management schemes.<br><br>Management to carefully assess whether or not to directly engage with each water management initiative being developed by other RMAs in the catchment, could adversely impact on the Board's operations and/or increase flood risk.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 15/05/2026  | CB                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (1s) HMRC have confirmed via Excise Notice 75, that as of 1 April 2022, IDBs can continue to use red diesel for works benefitting agriculture. It is highly likely that this is a temporary decision and that at some point in the future, the use of rebated fuel will not be possible for IDB works. | An annual fuel increase in cost of approximately £70,000, meaning an increase of circa 3% in drainage rates and special levies.                                                               | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Transfer | Continue to support lobbying through ADA for the law not to be widened out to IDBs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 15/05/2026  | TH/MP               |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (1t) Significant increases in wages, fuel and energy costs and difficulty of passing on the associated increases to drainage ratepayers and councils.                                                                                                                                                  | Cuts to service delivery would have to be made which could significantly increase flood risk.                                                                                                 | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Transfer | Additional costs passed on in rates and special levies with effect from 1 April 2022.<br><br>Assess where cuts could be made without increasing flood risk to an unacceptable level.<br><br>Support the Council and ADA in actively lobbying Central Government for funding support due to concerns of rising special levies. Numerous Fuel Actions, as per specific paper to the board June 2026.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 15/05/2026  | SJ/TH               |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (1u) Beavers could escape from enclosures and build dams within the IDB district affecting drainage.                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Increased flooding, increased cost, difficulty to maintain water levels in designated areas, inability to undertake statutory function, damage to flood banks and watercourse infrastructure. | 2                                       | 3                                        | 6          | Treat    | Environmental staff have undertaken the necessary training and have developed procedures to be able to manage any beavers/beaver dams from our drains, as required, under license.<br><br>Operational staff to remain vigilant and report suspected beaver activity to operations managers, especially around areas where they are being introduced.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 15/05/2026  | CL/TH               |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                   |   |   |   |          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |    |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                    | (1x) Potential liability for certain bridges and culverts in the district.                                                     | If the Board is found to have some operational responsibility, this could have a significant financial impact as well as associated health and safety/ public liability concerns. | 2 | 3 | 6 | Transfer | The Board's position is that all bridges and culverts carrying public highways are the responsibility of the relevant Highway Authority. All bridges and culverts that carry unadopted highways/private access routes are the responsibility of the riparian landowner.<br><br>WMA staff to undertake a task & Finish activity search of archives to understand situations where the IDB may have explicitly taken responsibility for certain culverts/bridges in the district. This can then be used to ring fence funds for managing these assets as required. | 15/05/2026 | CB |
| (3) To enable and facilitate land use for residential, commercial, recreational, and environmental purposes by guiding and regulating activities, which have the potential to increase flood risk. | (3a) Planning Authorities ignore advice provided by Board, which leads to increased flood risk.                                | Increased flood risk.<br><br>Potential for lost income for SWDCs and commuted sums.                                                                                               | 2 | 3 | 6 | Transfer | Planning/Enforcement to continue to build close relationships with local planning officers, such that our role, input and comments are considered and valued. Further initiatives around closer working with planners is underway.<br><br>Officers' comments on planning applications are available on Local Authority website.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 15/05/2026 | CB |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                    | (3b) SUDs managed by private management companies who allow them to fall into disrepair through lack of long-term maintenance. | Inadequate or lack of maintenance of SUDs could have an adverse impact on the IDB infrastructure & subsequently increase the risk of flooding.                                    | 2 | 3 | 6 | Transfer | The Sustainable Development team proactively promotes best practice when considering on-site drainage design as part of planning submissions and consent applications. This includes advocating for SuDS adoptions wherever feasible and are ensuring that SuDS design facilitates effective maintenance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 15/05/2026 | CB |

| Review Date | Risk changed                                                                                                                                          | Likelihood rating | Likelihood Rating previous | Consequence Rating | Consequence Rating previous | Reason for Change       | Changes to Details                                                  |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jun-26      | (1t) Significant increases in wages, fuel and energy costs and difficulty of passing on the associated increases to drainage ratepayers and councils. | 2                 | 1                          | 3                  | 3                           | Increasing Diesel costs | Numerous Fuel Actions, as per specific paper to the board June 2026 |

## **COMPLAINTS & FEEDBACK REVIEW**

### **For the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026 – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of the paper is to receive an update regarding the official complaints and feedback received in the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

To meet the strategic aims, the vision, mission and values of the board, it is important to monitor feedback from the public, organisations and other relevant stakeholders. Whether it is positive or negative, all feedback can be used to improve our performance and services.

#### **2. HOW WE COLLATE FEEDBACK**

We collate feedback through our website, emails and telephone calls. Links to Feedback and Customer Complaint forms are located in all email footers.

#### **3. OFFICIAL COMPLAINTS**

| <b>Date of complaint</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Nature of complaint</b> | <b>Allocated to</b> | <b>Status</b> | <b>Action taken</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|
|                          |                 |                            |                     |               |                     |

No official complaints have been received or dealt with during the reporting period and there are no outstanding complaints to resolve brought forward from previous reporting periods. The same reporting period last year contained one complaint.

#### **4. OTHER FEEDBACK**

| <b>Date of feedback</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Nature of Feedback</b> | <b>Allocated to</b> | <b>Status</b> | <b>Action taken</b> |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|
|                         |                 |                           |                     |               |                     |

No feedback reviews have been received or dealt with during the reporting period and there are no outstanding feedback reviews to monitor brought forward from previous reporting periods.

There were no feedback reviews in the same reporting period last year.

#### **5. RECOMMENDATION**

To approve the official Complaints and Feedback Review.

**FRANCES BLIGH**  
**ICT MANAGER**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**

## WMA Policy Review Summary – CMC Meeting, 24 April 2026

|   | Policy                                                                  | Owner | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | WMA Development Control Charges and Fees<br><a href="#">Click here</a>  | CB    | In addition to inflationary increases in development contributions, the document has been reviewed and updated. Key changes include clarification of retrospective application fees (Section 2), the inclusion of standardised inspection charges (Section 3), and revisions to the refund policy (Section 10).                          |
| 2 | WMA Drainage Rates & Hereditaments Policy<br><a href="#">Click here</a> | SJ    | Minor amendments have been made to ensure accuracy and consistency, such as updating East Suffolk IDB to East Suffolk WMB, the revision to job titles and the replacement of legacy software DRS ® with the updated software DRS ® 365. These changes are administrative in nature and do not alter the content or intent of the policy. |

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|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| David Beavan                 |                                  |                                                       |
| Peter Byatt                  |                                  |                                                       |
| Jack Cooke                   |                                  | 14/12/2021                                            |
| Tom Daly                     |                                  |                                                       |
| Teresa Davis                 |                                  |                                                       |
| James Foskett                |                                  | 17/12/2021                                            |
| Sir Edward Greenwell         |                                  | 01/12/2021                                            |
| Nick Hardingham              |                                  | 03/11/2021                                            |
| Charles Loyd                 |                                  | 13/06/2022                                            |
| Christopher Mann             |                                  | 27/10/2021                                            |
| Richard Mann                 |                                  | 31/01/2022                                            |
| Jane Marson (Chairman)       | YES                              | 03/11/2021                                            |
| Michael Paul (Vice-Chairman) | YES                              | 29/11/2021                                            |
| Sarah Plummer                |                                  |                                                       |
| Philip Smart                 |                                  |                                                       |
| Rosie Smithson               |                                  |                                                       |

**Officers:**

|                   |                                                  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Ali Bloomfield    | Operations Manager                               |
| Cathryn Brady     | Head of Catchment Services                       |
| Katie Byrne       | Business Support Officer                         |
| Marcus Coleman    | Chief Executive                                  |
| Tom Hunter        | Area Manager (East)                              |
| Sallyanne Jeffrey | Chief Financial Officer                          |
| Caroline Laburn   | Environmental Manager                            |
| Kari Nash         | Project Delivery Manager                         |
| Mark Ogden        | Sustainable Development Manager                  |
| Matthew Philpot   | Deputy Chief Executive & Chief Operating Officer |

**East Suffolk WMB**  
**Meeting: 08 June 2026**