

**Date:** 7/11/17  
**Time:** 1-2  
**Venue:** Lancaster House

**1. Present:** Lesley Silvera/ GWK (Sec), Michele MacCallum/GWK, Lucy Mo/ EA, Danielle Anderson-Walker/ TRT, Douglas Phillips/ TRT, Susan MacKirdy/ TRT, Vicky Cuthbertson/ GWK (Chair), Richard Salmon/ NW

Apologies: Clare Steward/ EA, John Robinson (NCC), Rob Carr/ EA, David Gardner/ EA,

### **2. Minutes accepted**

NE has no capacity to enable a member of staff to attend Board mtgs at present.

### **3. Capital Projects Updates:**

**Woolsington pond Phase 2:** Abstraction License is with Rory xxxx, Agent for Northumberland Estates to sign off. That will then enable water storage in Woolsington Pond. GWK will apply for a permit to make repairs to the weir. This work will be done before Xmas 2017.

#### **Callerton:**

MM has negotiated with Miller Homes and Story Homes and although they are keen on GWK's plans, the timescale for the land sale to go ahead is not compatible with WFD/ FCRM timescale. This could be a future project. EA called a mtg with GWK, and TRT to discuss other projects this morning for part of this funding (£123,000 including VAT) to possibly be reallocated to ORRP. The Ouseburn Source is owned by Northumberland Estates but they are currently not keen to see a tree planting scheme go ahead.

### **Revenue Projects update**

**OUS12: Rural Diffuse Pollution project:** TRT will call together stakeholders such as Race Course, golf course managers etc to a mtg on 8<sup>th</sup> Dec to discuss ways to improve water quality. DP is away for 4 weeks from 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.

**OUS014:** There have been 4 volunteering days on Woolsington Pond led by Simone Price plus a day of RiverFly training to which Ouseburn Vols attended.

#### **OUS16: SUDS**

19 x Masters students from Newcastle Uni got a site visit to Woolsington Ponds led by LS on 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov.

35 x 2<sup>nd</sup> Year geography students got a lecture on Ouseburn River Restoration from LS on 6 Nov 2017.

Nice supporting letter came in from Alison Cairns Head of N Fawdon School.

Schools work is on-going.

**OUS17:** 'Our Heritage' bid is due for Jan 2018 submission. SMK asked to VC to coordinate with the bid from TRT on an Our Heritage bid about Hexham Riverside.

**OUS18:** Catchment coordination partnership – GWK will set up a workshop in January 2018. Please send your contacts for invitees to LS.

### **OUS019: Monitoring Project Report**

Michael Gardener is working on this and may have more sites.

LS to contact JJ re catchment SONDES.

Match SONDES to ORRP requirements.

Find if JJ is still on this project.

### **4. Funding update**

Funding will be reallocated as mentioned in point 3 above.

### **5. Marketing and communications**

MP is due for visit on Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Nov; press release to follow. LM, DP, MM, LS to attend.

Copy Board into press pieces.

### **6. AOB**

HWE – feasibility study on A1 widening work will be approved or not Feb/ March 2018.

### **7. Next meeting – xxx????**