

Meeting Notes (Draft)

## **Noise Liaison Group Meeting No. 25**



01 August 2013, 10:00 to 11:30

## Venue: FRC Project Office, Rosyth

## Attendees:

David Climie	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT) (Chair)
Steven Brown	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Andrew Mackay	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Martin Butterfield	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Andy Butler	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)
Dermot Connolly	City of Edinburgh Council (CEC)
David Redden	Fife Council (FC)
Neil Abraham	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)
Martin Wilson	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)

## **Apologies for Absence:**

Thomas Nilsson	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)		
Colin Goodsir	Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)		
Richard Greer	FRC Employer's Delivery Team (EDT)		
Tracy Wyllie	Fife Council (FC)		
David Brewster	West Lothian Council (WLC)		
Brian Carmichael	West Lothian Council (WLC)		
Niall Corbet	Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)		
Carolyn Clark	Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)		
Mike Bland	Marine Scotland (MS)		
Colin Megginson	Marine Scotland (MS)		

Item	Subject	Description	Action
1	Introductions and Apologies	EDT welcomed all parties to the meeting. Apologies were received from those parties listed above.	
2	Safety Procedures	All present were advised regarding safety and evacuation procedures.	
3	Minutes and Actions from Previous Meeting	<ul> <li>The minutes of Meeting No. 24 held on 4 July 2013 were agreed.</li> <li>With the following minor amendments:-</li> <li>Item (i) EDT had received a response from SRB which was under review.</li> <li>Item (xv) FCBC had confirmed that the Piling at Piers S3 and S2 would be daytime only</li> <li>Actions from the previous meeting are as noted in items 4(a) and 4(b) below.</li> </ul>	
4(a)	M9 Junction 1A	Actions from Previous Meeting No. 24	
	(i)	EDT confirmed that a reply had been received from SRB regarding post construction monitoring and this was being reveiwed.	EDT

4(b)	Principal Contract	Actions from Previous Meeting No.24	
	(ii)	EDT confirmed that the underwater noise reports covering August 2012 and November – December 2012 had been received. Reports covering Jan to Mar 2013 and Apr to Jun 2013 which have still not been received are to be provided within one week. EDT stressed the urgency of providing these reports which were long overdue and advised that future underwater noise reports must be provided in a more timely manner.	FCBC
		Plans for Control of Noise and Vibration	
	(iii)	<ul> <li>FCBC advised that the following PCNVs had been approved in the period:</li> <li>0011 Mod 6 – Pier N2 access bridge</li> <li>00010 Rev 4 – North Works Area 1</li> </ul>	
	(iv)	FCBC advised that the following PCNVs have been resubmitted for approval.	
		<ul> <li>00022 Rev 0 – Tower and Pier Structural Work</li> <li>00021 Rev 05 – South Earthworks – to cover an update to the programme for the works</li> </ul>	EDT
	(v)	<ul> <li>FCBC advised that the following PCNV revisions would be submitted to the Employer for review in due course:</li> <li>00011 Rev 6 Land Based Piers - Programme Update</li> <li>00020 Rev13 Marine Foundation Works –Programme Update</li> <li>0008 Rev 4 – Network Structures South - Programme Update</li> </ul>	FCBC
		Monitoring	FUBU
	(vi)	FCBC advised that there had been no complaints received as a result of exceedances.	
	(vii)	Exceedances FCBC advised that 1 daytime exceedance had been noted. This was at Dundas Home Farm during loading works close to the monitor. The works lasted a total of 1 week and no further exceedances were noted.	
	(viii)	FCBC advised that attended monitoring had been undertaken during the following activities:-North Tower – underwater concrete pour. There had also been some noise assessments carried out at the Central Tower namely, Stihl Saw, Crane Generator, Destressing well generator the barge deck works and works within the cofferdam. The results showed levels generally at or below daytime threshold levels except for the stihl saw.	Note
		It was agreed that toolbox talks for steelfixing operations should be carried out frequently.	FCBC
		Community Engagement	
	(ix)	FCBC advised that one complaint regarding noise had been received in the period. The complaint was from a resident in Springfield Place referring to 'noise from generators during the night' FCBC carried out attended monitoring to establish the source of the noise and concluded that it was likely to have resulted from the Pier S1 jet grouting operations.	Note

		Jet grouting has now completely finished.	
	(x)	Drainage and ducting works on Society Road are programmed for the nights of 7,8&9 August. PCNV21 Mod 6 has been issued for review. FCBC will carry out a letter drop to advise the local community. Acoustic barriers will be used where the works are at their closest to dwellings. It was agreed that the noisiest elements of the work( Saw cutting, pecking) will be carried out prior to 22.00hrs.	FCBC
	(xi)	FCBC provided a survey of downtime of noise monitors and actions taken to address these. FCBC noted that larger memory cards had been installed which should eliminate downtime due to lack of memory.	Note
		Forward Programme	
	(xii)	FCBC noted that delivery of the south viaduct units will now commence in September.	FCBC
	(xiii)	The following items were discussed Sunday working at the Queensferry gyratory requested by FCBChad been refused. FCBC will carry out attended monitoring of stihl saw use at the Central tower during night works.	FCBC
		The possibility of a temporary noise monitor on the Central tower is to be investigated. This will enable information to be gathered over a few days.	
		Concrete works for the South Tower caisson underwater concrete are expected to commence mid August and last approx 2 weeks following airlifting operations	
	(xiv)	Pier S4 concrete works are expected to start w/c 5 August. This will be a 24hr pour. FCBC to produce an update notification to the community and copy CEC noise team.	FCBC
	(xv)	Works to install 3 gantries on the A90 and M90 spur will commence in September. Works will be carried out on nightshift to maintain traffic flows. EDT to supply a copy of the Fife ITS PCNV for this type of works for reference.	EDT
5	Next Meeting	The next meeting (No. 26) will be held on 5 September 2013, 10am at the Ferrytoll site office.	
6	Any Other Business	All NLG members were thanked for returning their feedback surveys. EDT to review findings.	EDT