

Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on Friday 17 April 2015

Electoral Division affected: None

Environment Agency: Bathing water Quality and Alt-Crossens Land Drainage (Appendices A and B refer)

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Executive Summary

Following the meeting of the Committee on 13 February 2015, the Chair wrote to the Environment Agency on 2 March 2015 setting out the Committee's recommendations in relation to Bathing Water Quality and land drainage in the Alt Crossens Catchment. A response from the Agency has now been received and is set out at Appendix 'A' for the Committee's consideration.

Recommendation

That the Committee considers the response of the Environment Agency set out at Appendices A and B and comments as appropriate.

Background and Advice

In October 2014, the Committee received a report from County Council officers on a number of issues connected to Flood Risk Management. Amongst the issues considered were bathing water quality and land drainage in the Alt-Crossens catchment.

It was recognised that many of the issues discussed were the responsibility wholly or partly of the Environment Agency, and it was agreed that, to aid the Committee's understanding of the issues and allow them to consider the role of the Agency, representatives of the Agency should be invited to a future meeting.

Representatives from the Environment Agency, together with the County Council's Head of Flood Risk Management, attended the meeting of the Committee on 13 February 2015 to discuss the role and responsibilities of the Agency, particularly in relation to bathing water quality and land drainage in the Alt Crossens Catchment.

Following that meeting, the Chair wrote to the Environment Agency on 2 March 2015 setting out the Committee's recommendations in relation to bathing water quality land drainage in the Alt Crossens Catchment, and responses from the Agency have now been received and are set out at Appendix A and B for the Committee's consideration.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

There are no significant risk management implications.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
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N/A

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A