

Meeting

ICE Reservoirs Committee Meeting Public Minutes

Date	Thursday 3 rd June 2021
Time	14.00 - 17.00
Venue	MS Teams
Chair	Richard Coackley
Panel members	
Sub-Committee 1	Chris Scott (Chair) David Brown Anthea Peters Tom Wanner Martin Airey
Sub-Committee 2	Kenneth Barr (Chair) Keith Gardiner Matthew Hill Jeremy Benn Andrew Kirby Hazel Durant – Defra Nasim Rahman - Defra James Ashworth – SEPA Mary McKeown – Department of Infrastructure, NI Matt O’Brien – Natural Resources Wales Tony Deakin – Environment Agency
By Invite	David Balmforth Sean Harris Brendan Van Rooyen
Apologies	Claire Dodd – Scottish Government Mark Stranaghan – Department of Infrastructure, NI Shaun Donnelly – Department of Infrastructure, NI
Secretariat	Rabinder Phull (ICE) Kerrie McPeake (ICE)

Summary of Applications in June 2021

New Applications

3 new applications were submitted to the Supervising Engineers Panels and 1 new application was submitted to the All Reservoirs Panel this cycle.

1 All Reservoirs applicants has been appointed in England, Wales and Scotland.

2 Supervising Engineer applicants have been recommended for appointment in England and Wales.

Re-applications

5 re-applications were made to the Supervising Engineers Panels and 1 re-application was made to the All Reservoirs Panel.

1 All Reservoirs Panel re-application has been recommended for re-appointment to England, Wales and Scotland.

5 Supervising Engineers Panel re-applications have been recommended for re-appointment and; 3 of which are re-appointed to England, Wales and Scotland, 2 to England and Wales.

Item no	PART 2
2117	Legislative changes and jurisdictional impacts
	<p>Update on current legislative situation in each of the jurisdictions:</p> <p>England – Hazel Durant</p> <p>Defra Update Issued direction of emergency flood plans – all owners of large raised reservoirs and copied to engineers. Engineers not to be emergency planning experts but need to have knowledge in the case and of what needs to be done. Refreshed guidance based on survey – happy to take further thoughts on guidance. Given up to 12 months for reservoirs to have in place. A lot of reservoirs already have in place. Survey covers 56% of reservoirs and 2/3 had plans in place. They should complete sooner than 12 months. Toddbrook showed it's important. Other work – looking at DB's recommendations. Impact assessments and talking to stakeholders etc is on agenda. KG – what format is required and difficult for owners to check in new format HD – template is provided as a help but recognise larger companies will have their own – the content should meet min requirements/direction.</p> <p>TD – agree. Still await the first certificate – not yet received.</p> <p>Scotland- Claire Dodd. Claire apologies and nothing to report.</p> <p>Northern Ireland - Mary McKeown Transfer function confirmed. Minister will be considering the commencement of the NI Act Consultation required with the ICE – e.g. volume and appointments process so will contact ICE in the next few weeks. Approximately 170 controlled reservoirs in total with 130 NIRs and 40 SRs capable of holding 10000m3.</p> <p>Wales - Matt O'Brien Onsite plans only England not in Wales. Formalise out own guidance for onsite plans. 73% plans already had plans and now 85%, close gap on last 15%. Looking to package this up as regulatory scheme as part of charging scheme. Flood mapping – 3/4 way thru. These are harder to find reservoirs or harder to bring into legislation. Provisional designation going out. Clearer picture on low/high risk reservoirs by Oct.</p>

2118	Reports
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. British Dam Society (BDS) – Martin Airey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BDS update paper II. Reservoir Safety Research Advisory Group (ReSRAG) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alan Warren update
2119	Reservoir Safety Review – 2nd report
	<p>David Balmforth presented published Independent Reservoir Safety Review Report https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reservoir-review-part-b-2020 Discussion included in particular recommendations 7, 8 and 9.</p> <p>RC thanked DB and a discussion followed.</p> <p>It was agreed to identify and create working groups to progress the recommendations.</p> <p>ACTION: RC/ICE/BDS to meet with DEFRA, Scottish Government and Welsh Government to agree scope and next steps.</p> <p>Post Meeting note: The key point for initial action by ICE is to produce a thorough review into the supply of reservoir engineers as stipulated in the recommendations of the report. DEFRA and EA have commissioned ICE to produce this report and BvR is working with them to finalise the scope before commencing.</p>
2120	Interview/Applications Review Process, (In abeyance to next meeting for more time to cover Item 2119 and related discussion)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Re-interview intervals for re-applicants ii. Applicants’ mental and physical health iii. Appeals against non-appointment decisions iv. Panel applications and legislation
2121	Any Other Business
	None
	Future meeting dates: 7 th October 2021