



# Black Sluice Internal Drainage Board

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Date: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Letter to Introduce Mr Mark Tarttelin (M. 07706 102713) in respect of:**

**The South Lincolnshire Water Partnership:** Using technology and real-time monitoring to manage water efficiently and sustainably

Black Sluice IDB, as part of the South Lincolnshire Water Partnership, are working with Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, Environment Agency, Lincolnshire County Council and other organisations to improve water management in South Lincolnshire. **The Survey of Aquatic Plants** will support and enable improvements to current floodwater management practices, the retention of water resources during dry periods and improvements to the water environment.

As part of this work, the Board's operators and their contractors (Mr Mark Tarttelin & Safety Officer), will need to access a selection of Board maintained and riparian watercourses, to carry out hydrological and environmental surveys further to the usual routine maintenance programmes. Mr Tarttelin will provide evidence of his credentials upon request.

**Aquatic Plant Surveys**

In order to monitor the water environment the Board will be conducting a number of aquatic plant surveys across the catchment to record and reflect the environmental importance, and value of any improved management to local drains and watercourses. These surveys will record the diversity and abundance of aquatic plants over a number of 500m survey sections during the period June to August, taking 2- 3 hours each section, each season. The surveys will be conducted from banksides, trackways or field headlands and will not change or impact on any existing maintenance programmes.

This survey is at your discretion: If you wish to opt out or receive the survey reports of this work - please email this address ([mailbox@blacksluiceidb.gov.uk](mailto:mailbox@blacksluiceidb.gov.uk)) or phone our office on 01205 821440.

Thank you for your co-operation in this project.

Yours Sincerely

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Chief Executive