

## **Appendix 2: HMNB Clyde Update, supplied by Cdr Mark Fitzsimmons**

### **From the meeting held on 21 August 2019**

- The contact details for the Base Environment Officer for HMNB Clyde have been obtained from another source and the CC will forward the latest report on knotweed on MoD land to him.
- The Mackenzie Estate demolition presentation has been received by the Secretary for further distribution.
- Contact details for the new Base Representative, Nyree Stalker, have been forwarded to the Secretary and contact has been made. Nyree will be unable to attend the meeting on 9 October and passes on her formal apologies to the Chair.

### **Exercise Joint Warrior 192**

HMNB Clyde remains busy, with Exercise Joint Warrior 192 ongoing from 5-18 October. There have been no reports of poor behaviour by visiting ship's personnel impacting on the residents of Rhu and Shandon.

### **Mackenzie Estate-Maisonette Demolition**

Demolition activities by the Glasgow based contractor JCJ Group continue. As of 8 Oct, it is being reported that 5 of the 20 blocks have been demolished and the programme appears to be on schedule. I am aware of some local concerns regarding the amount of dust being generated during the demolition process, although the recent weather has probably reduced that significantly. The programme commenced in August and is due to take 30 weeks overall, excluding the Christmas holiday period. Each block is expected to generate 60 lorry loads of waste. Contact details for the company are given below;

JCJ (Demolition & Construction Ltd)  
30 Nisbet Street  
Glasgow  
G31 5ES

Tel: 0141-554-2758

E-Mail: [info@jci-group.co.uk](mailto:info@jci-group.co.uk)

### **Future Accommodation Model (FAM)**

The Ministry of Defence officially launched FAM at HMNB Clyde on 1 October. This 3-year pilot scheme offers Service Personnel more options for how they are accommodated, bringing greater opportunities to either rent locally or increased incentives to buy locally (generally within a 50-mile radius of HMNB Clyde). Interest to date has been relatively modest, with approximately 40 expressions of interest over the last few months. Of these only 8 are looking to the local rental market, so only 2-3 properties are potentially being sought in an area the radius of which could be up to 50 miles. Any impact on the local housing market will be monitored in the coming months and years.

### **Clyde Accommodation Project (CAP)**

CAP is looking at both short and medium-term opportunities for Service Personnel to be accommodated offsite and for opportunities to potentially relocate office-based activities into the local area. The project is being taken forward in conjunction with Argyll and Bute

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Council and, more recently, with other local authorities. The project is at a relatively early planning stage and no proposals have yet been put forward.

### **Mackenzie Estate and St Andrew's Sites**

There has been no further discussion on the long-term future of either of these sites to the best of my knowledge.

### **Traffic Management**

I am unaware of any reports of traffic congestion around either the Southern Approach Road or the area around North Gate. HMNB Clyde believes that the current gate opening timings and procedures have reduced the queuing issues on the A814 to an acceptable level for local residents. If this is not the case, then please advise.

Work to upgrade the fence line at the southern extremity of the Base over the last 5 weeks has now completed and the lane narrowing measures have been removed. We would apologise for any problems caused during the work, which has, hopefully, had a relatively minimal impact for the local community.