# EKREG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025

Present: Alasdair Bennett ('Chair'), Rob Lee and Jerry Barnes

Venue: Remote working: conference via Zoom

### 1. Apologies for Absence

None

# 2. Minutes and actions outstanding at previous meeting (Tues 5th August, 2025)

 Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. There were no significant actions outstanding.

# 3. Treasurers' Report

• Only routine monthly bank charges had been paid since the last meeting. An up-todate bank statement was reviewed and approved at the meeting.

### 4. Correspondence with wind farm operators/developers

• EKCC response to ECU regarding EnergieKontor's submission of their Section 36 application to develop Allt Domhain wind farm (formerly known as Arnicle wind farm) doesn't appear to have been registered. It was agreed this should be chased [Action: RL/AB]

# 5. Lussa Community Wind [LCW]/CC Charitable Bodies (EKCF, WKCF & CCWF)

Lussa Community Wind.

The AGM had been well attended. Following approval of the motions tabled the Chair had submitted the annual accounts/Financial Report to the FCA and the secretary had returned CT600 tax return forms to the accountant for them to file with HMRC on the Society's behalf.

Community Funds (EKCF/CCWF/WKCF).

EKCF is open for the next round of applications (this call opened 25<sup>th</sup> July). For the latest news from the anchor charities and application forms/eligibility For EKCF see <a href="https://www.eastkintyre.org">www.eastkintyre.org</a>. For WKCF and CCWF see <a href="https://www.kintyrewind.com">www.kintyrewind.com</a>

#### 6. West Torrisdale

The deadline for stakeholder representation to the ECU with regard ESBs' S36 application has been extended – representation can now be lodged until October  $13^{th}$ 

### 7. Clachaig Glen

The project remains 'on hold' following consent for the development by the Scottish Government, pending negotiations internally and with SSEN regarding grid connection. An update meeting is anticipated.

#### 8. Killean

No updates to report

#### 9. Tangy IV

Public exhibition events had been held by SSEN 25-27<sup>th</sup> Aug. The proposals are 'on hold' – pending reapplication to increase turbine size. The developer proposes to split Community Benefit funding between local community councils and a wider 'sustainable development fund' to be administered by A&BC.

### 10. Cnoc Buidhe (Belltown Power)

No updates to report – S36 application under consideration by A&BC.

# 11. High Constellation

Still no response received from the developer to the Chairs' correspondence.

# 12. Deucheran Hill 2 (repowering and extension)

No updates to report.

#### 13. Meall Mor

Correspondence with the Scottish Energy Consents Unit (ECU) had resulted in EKCC being added to those stakeholders in receipt of information regarding pro posals for Meall Mor windfarm. For further information see <a href="https://www.energyconsents.scot">https://www.energyconsents.scot</a> application ref ECU00006205.

### 14. Communications & Marketing

#### Marketing

Routine website updates had been completed, and correspondence responded to.

#### **Engagement Strategy**

The petition (PE1885) submitted by a local resident to the Scottish Governments Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee, (and supported by EKREG) received its Ninth hearing on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. The Committee once again supported the proposals and the matter was, once again, referred to the Scottish Government for feedback/action. The minutes of the meeting can be accessed here: <a href="https://www.parliament.scot/chamber-and-committees/committees/current-and-previous-committees/session-6-citizen-participation-and-public-petitions-committee/meetings/2025/citizen-participation-and-public-petitions-committee-02-april-2025 and a video of recording of the session is available to watch <a href="here">here</a>. The Official Report (a reliable written record of what is said in public meetings) is a available on the petition's webpage at: <a href="Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee">Committee</a> <a href="Scottish Parliament TV.</a>.

# • Communications

EKREG had participated in another consultation event, this time with Scottish Government civil servants, aimed to inform government policy development allied to CSO.

EKREG had accepted an invitation to participate in a DTAS-led peer-group exercise bringing together community representatives engaged in furthering CSO interests.

# 13. Governance

The secretary agreed to chase the accountant for EOY accounts and confirmation statement update [Action: JB].

#### 14. AOB

RL had made a minor update to the windfarm map and this had been updated on the website.

JB had introduced a lithium ion battery safety expert/consultant to WKCC.

No other matters were tabled

**DONM:** Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2025. 09.00 [virtual meeting: Zoom]