

EKREG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tues 12th May, 2026

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 14th April, 2026)

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

3. Treasurers' Report

- Only routine monthly bank charges had been incurred since the last meeting. An up-to-date bank statement was reviewed and approved at the meeting.

4. Correspondence with wind farm operators/developers

- Notification had been received (vis a vis Killean windfarm) that the Government was having to consider the outcome of a recent case it lost in the High Court with the upshot that the associated grid connection for a windfarm should be included in the EIR for the wind farm. Consequently, it is hoped grid connections will be expected to be submitted as an integral part of all wind farm applications to be considered from hereonin.

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

- Lussa Community Wind.

Annual CT600 tax return had been received from the accountant, approved by the board and returned to HMRC. FCA annual reports has been received, approved by the board and circulated to the membership for their approval at the forthcoming AGM.

The 2026 Annual General Meeting of the Society (virtual meeting online) is scheduled to be held evening of Thursday 13th August. The Secretary was tasked with distributing the required paperwork in advance of the meeting.

The Chair was still awaiting reports from some of the charities on donations for the annual reports, so these can be collated and the necessary returns made to Scottish Power to meet the required deadlines.

- Community Funds (EKCF/CCWF/WKCF).

Applications are encouraged from eligible parties/organisations. For the latest news from the anchor charities and application forms/eligibility For EKCF see www.eastkintyre.org. For WKCF and CCWF see www.kintyrewind.com.

The advertised part-time post as 'Fund Administration Assistant' had been filled.

6. West Torrisdale

Following the significant objections raised by A&BC plus several statutory bodies it is anticipated that the developer will appeal and as a consequence a final decision over this development will be governed by a Ministerial hearing or by an appointed government reporter. For further info see: www.esbenergy.co.uk/west-torrisdale-wind-farm

7. Clachaig Glen

No updates to report – ‘approved’ by planning. ‘On hold’ with developer pending connection approvals. Meanwhile, EKREG continue to explore finance opportunities.

8. Killean

See – section 4. Following objections to this development, the developer has appealed and as a consequence the case will be subject to a Scottish Government hearing, at which the Scottish Ministers will have the final say.

9. Tangy IV

No updates to report. For further information see: www.sserenewables.com/on-shore-wind/in-development/tangy-repower/

10. Cnoc Buidhe (Belltown Power)

Argyll & Bute Council filed their objections to this development which is situated 10 km NW of Campbeltown near Ballochintuy, as a consequence it is anticipated the developer will appeal and thus the Scottish Ministers will have the final say following a hearing tbc.

11. High Constellation

Ground clearance work has begun, but a response to the Chair’s request for clarification on CBF payments from the developer is still awaited. The Chair agreed to push the developer again for a response [**Action: AB**]

12. Deucheran Hill 2 (repowering and extension)

No updates to report.

13. Meall Mor

No updates to report

14. Narachan

EnergieKontor are planning to resubmit their proposal to develop Narachan wind farm – addressing the major objections raised by using 150m tip-height turbines rather than the 180m+ turbines originally proposed.

15. Communications & Marketing

- **Marketing**

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

- **Communications**

The Chair had continued to represent EKREG at a DTAS-led CSO 'shared experience' group drawing together communities from across Scotland to knowledge-share.

EKREG had engaged into a dialogue with GB Energy/LES to assist with the development of a 'product range' to facilitate UK-wide CSO in renewable energy developments.

16. Governance

The Directors of the company had completed the required Companies House one-time requirement to undertake biometric ID verification.

17. AOB

Potential participation at a forthcoming session on CSO as part of a LES-backed conference in Glasgow was briefly discussed.

DONM: Tues 23rd June, 2026. 09.00 [virtual meeting: Zoom]