

# EKREG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2023

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

Venue: Remote working: conference via Zoom

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## 1. Apologies for Absence

- None

## 2. Minutes and actions outstanding at previous meeting (Tues 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

- Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

## 3. Treasurers' Report

- There were no bank transactions to report. An up-to-date bank statement was reviewed and approved at the meeting.

## 4. Correspondence with wind farm operators/developers

- No updates to report

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

- Lussa Community Wind.

Minutes of a Directors Board Meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> April had been posted on the Kintyre Wind website along with a news update on the Society's activities plus advanced notice of the date set for this year's AGM (August 2<sup>nd</sup>@18.00).

SPR had acknowledged receipt of the financial reports provided by Lussa and the Anchor Charities. Clarification was requested with regard a few specific donations and these had been passed on to the Anchor Charities to address.

It was noted that the 2023 CBF payment was now significantly overdue. It was agreed that the Lussa Chair should chase SPR for payment [**Action: RL**].

- East Kintyre Community Fund (EKCF).

The next call for applications will open on July 28<sup>th</sup> and close 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2023. Applications are invited from projects meeting the funding criteria, See <https://www.eastkintyre.org/east-kintyre-community-fund/> for further information.

## 6. ESB – West Torrisdale (WT)

- No updates to report

## 7. Clachaig Glen (CG)

- The company's legal team were awaiting a response from Gavin Williams – RWE's legal counsel – with regard elements of the wording of their NDA.

## 8. High Constellation

- No updates to report

## 9. Cnoc Buidhe (Belltown Power)

- No updates to report

## 10. Earraghail

- No updates to report; Dates still awaited from SPR with regard (i) a follow-up meeting to discuss CBF arrangements with impacted CCs and/or their representatives. (ii) a separate meeting with EKREG to discuss the CSO offer to be tabled.

## 11. Communications & Marketing

### - Marketing

JB was liaising with Emma Roberts over the updating of the Kintyre Wind website.

### - Engagement Strategy

There were no updates to report with regard the 'Share the Wind' petition (PE1885/C) promoting mandatory community shared ownership in Scottish windfarms via land tax reform – currently being discussed by the Scottish Governments' Citizen Participation and Public Petition Committee. The petitioner awaits a response from the new Energy Minister, Gillian Martin, who – having seemingly accepted that this matter is worthy of further exploration – seeks to discuss the proposals. The petition will be retabled once actions outstanding have been addressed.

### - Communications

No updates to report

## 12. Governance

- The company's 2022-23 accounts and tax returns prepared by the company's accountant were approved at the meeting. JB was authorized to liaise with the accountant over the filing of the documentation with HMRC and Companies House [**Action: JB**].

## 13. AOB

It was noted that the result of the public inquiry convened to consider SPR's planned development at Sheirdrim was still not public domain.

No other items were tabled for discussion

**DONM:** Tues 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, 09.00 [virtual meeting: Zoom]