

EKREG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tues. 30th 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 2nd Sept, 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-to-date 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) still doesn't appear to have been registered. It was agreed this should be chased again [**Action: RL/AB**]

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

- Lussa Community Wind.

Confirmation had been received from both FCA and HMRC that the approved annual accounts/Financial Report and CT600 tax return forms had been filed on the Society's behalf.

- Community Funds (EKCF/CCWF/WKCF).

At the latest EKCF meeting grants were awarded totaling £6,156. 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

6. West Torrisdale

ESB are scheduled to hold a public information day in relation to West Torrisdale windfarm Wed Oct 8th from 14.00-17.00 at Carradale Village Hall, in order to provide access to additional information submitted by the developer to support their planning application and address concerns raised by EKCC. For further info see: www.esbenergy.co.uk/west-torrisdale-wind-farm

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.

8. Killean

No updates to report

9. Tangy IV

The impacted community councils' await contact from the ECU regarding the developers' planning submission.

10. Cnoc Buidhe (Belltown Power)

No updates to report – S36 application under consideration. Decision expected before the year-end following submission of additional evidence required by the developer allied to impacts on geese population/migration.

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

No updates to report

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 Government's Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee (and supported by EKREG) received its Ninth (and latest) hearing on 2nd 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: <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 [here](#). The Official Report (a reliable written record of what is said in public meetings) is available on the petition's webpage at: [Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee | Scottish Parliament TV](#).

- **Communications**

EKREG had fed into and received feedback from several consultation exercises involving Scottish Government civil servants, CES and DTAS allied to updating government policy on CBF and CSO.

EKREG had also joined, and were intending to continue participating in, a DTAS-led CSO 'shared experience' group drawing together communities from across Scotland to knowledge-share.

13. Governance

The secretary had received confirmation from the company's accountant that EOY accounts, tax returns and confirmation statement had been filed within the appropriate deadlines.

14. AOB

There was a brief discussion about local projects that could benefit from SSEN's local impacts' fund.

No other matters were tabled

DONM: Tues 28th Oct, 2025. 09.00 [virtual meeting: Zoom]