

EKREG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tues. 6th January, 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 2nd December, 2025)

- 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

- No updates to report

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

- Lussa Community Wind.

Expansion of the Board of Directors was discussed, and it was agreed that this should be pursued when the timing is 'right' so as to ensure sustainability.

It was agreed that the remaining balance of funds should be disseminated to the anchor charities at the end of February. The sum to be paid is £900 to each charity.

- 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 next call for applications to the EKCF opens 23rd January and will close on March 6th. Applications from eligible parties/organisations are encouraged.

6. West Torrisdale

No updates to report.

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. The developer has applied for planning permission to create an over-

head connection to Carradale sub-station – though it would appear that this connection did not accommodate the developers plans for the Deucheran Hill 2 development.

8. Killean

A&B Council have filed their objection to this development. The developer is expected to appeal against the decision and as a consequence the case will be subject to a Scottish Government hearing, at which the Scottish Ministers will have the final say.

Feedback from the developer on questions raised by EKREG at a meeting held earlier in the year were negative.

9. Tangy IV

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

10. Cnoc Buidhe (Belltown Power)

No updates to report – S36 application to be tabled by Argyll & Bute Council.

11. High Constellation

A response had eventually been received from the developer to which the Chair had responded seeking clarification on CBF payments.

12. Deucheran Hill 2 (repowering and extension)

RWE plan to dismantle DH1 this year and as a consequence ongoing CBF payments to the Windfarm Trust will cease when the process is complete.

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 Governments Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee (and supported by EKREG) will received its tenth (and latest) hearing on 11th Feb. Minutes of the last hearing 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](#).

Notification had been received that the issues raised by Petition PE1885 are to be subject to internal parliamentary review during Jan '26 as part of the Secretary for Climate Action and Environments' internal engagement strategy.

- **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.

Following invitation, EKREG were participating in a GB Energy/LES/DTAS-led project aiming to deliver template legals/support packs to assist communities interested in furthering CSO in renewable energy developments.

13. Governance

No updates to report.

14. AOB

Works to be conducted by SSEN to further extend/increase the capacity of Carradale sub-station station – a three year project likely to lead to some disruption/significant landscape impacts will begin September 2027.

No other matters were tabled

DONM: Mon 16th February, 2026. 09.00 [virtual meeting: Zoom]