

East Kintyre Windfarm Trust
Minutes of AGM held by Video Link
Thursday 3 June 2021 at 7pm

- 1. In Attendance:** Ian Brodie (Chair), Robert Strang, Jennifer Conley, Rebecca Paterson, Trish Collins, Shelagh Cameron, Audrey Willan and Alasdair Bennett (Secretary/Treasurer).
- 2. Apologies:** Kenny Semple, Tommy McPherson and Ronnie Brownie
- 3. Minutes of previous AGM:** Minutes of the AGM held on 9 July 2020 and previously circulated, were proposed by RS and seconded by IB.
- 4. Treasurer's Report 2020/21:** AB reported that EKWFT had received a total of 17 applications for grant funding, which was 11 less than in 2019/20. This is undoubtedly due to the pandemic with many clubs and groups being unable to meet. 14 grants totalling £85,543 were agreed with one for £40,000 being cancelled (purchase of Patersons' Shop) and 2 others reduced in line with the receipts submitted. A total of £29,972 was paid out with the largest amounts going to the Hub/Shop and Seneval Projects.

Details of all applications and grants are published in the Windfarm Trust pages of the East Kintyre Community website: eastkintyre.org

Grant Income of £101,266 was received during the year, which is much more than normal and explained by 2 Beinn an Tuirc 2 payments being received in the same financial year. Without the second payment the income would have been £64,006, which is broadly similar to recent years, Almost 80% of funds come from the Beinn an Tuirc 1 and 2 Windfarms, with the remaining coming from Deucheran and Tangy 2.

A copy of the audited account for 2020/21 was displayed showing:

- Current Account (Bank of Scotland) - £119,146
- Development Fund Account (Clydesdale Bank) - £62,108
- 10% Retention Fund (Clydesdale Term Deposits) - £62,137
- Total funds - £243,391 with contingent liabilities of £33,763 from outstanding grants.

AB advised that the inaugural meeting of EKCF, a SCIO registered with OSCR, was held recently. The trustees consist of 3 EKCC Councillors and 3 other members. It will receive both community benefit and shared ownership funds from wind farms in Kintyre. The first funds are expected to be from the Beinn an Tuirc 3 Windfarm, which is nearing completion.

AB reminded members that Scottish Power Renewables have updated their reporting mechanism and the EKWFT secretary now has to submit an annual report detailing the awards made from each of the Beinn an Tuirc Wind Farms, the percentage of funds received spent in the last year and the source and amount of match funding. SPR will then carry out "spot" audits of selected trusts to ensure all grants made are appropriate and in line with criteria.

SPR also require a Due Diligence Statement to be returned by the Secretary with the annual report. This is circulated to all trustees who are required to notify the secretary annually that they comply with the statement. AB asked the members present if they complied with the statement and all indicated they did.

5. Annual Audited Accounts: These were presented by AB and accepted by members.

6. Election of Office Bearers: As there were no new nominations, Alasdair was elected to continue as Secretary and Treasurer for another year.

7. AOB: No issues were raised and the meeting was closed at 8.05pm.