

**East Kintyre Windfarm Trust
Minutes of Virtual Zoom Meeting
Thursday 6 May 2021**

Welcome: IB welcomed everyone to the meeting and handed over the the AB (Secretary/Treasurer).

In Attendance: Ian Brodie (IB- Chair), Alasdair Bennett (AB), Rebecca Paterson (RP), Shelagh Cameron (SC), Robert Strang (RS), Audrey Willan (AW) and Trish Collins (TC)

Apologies: Thomas McPherson (TMcP), Ronnie Brownie (RB), Kenneth Semple (KS) and Jennifer Conley (JC). Although not in attendance, RB and KS had passed on their comments in relation to the applications. JC had attended and expressed her views at the pre-meeting.

Declarations of Interest: CCT Heritage Centre AB and Kintyre Way RS

SPR Due Diligence Statement: Members were given sight of the due diligence statement that AB has to return to SPR along with his annual EKWFT/SPR report. All members still to do so should email AB to confirm they still comply with the statement.

Financial Update: AB provided an update on the finances of the EKWFT and advised that sufficient funds were available in the current account for this tranche of grants. It was noted that the number of grant applications in 2020/21 was less than half of what it was in 2018/19, due almost certainly to the ongoing pandemic. A few awards from previous tranches remain unpaid for the same reason. Over £16,000 of the £25,000 awarded to CCT for the refurbishment of the PO/Shop remains to be paid.

Applications: 5 new applications were considered and the results detailed in the attached schedule. Trustees had considered the applications at their pre-meeting on 29 April and no need was seen to invite any of the applicants to the virtual meeting to clarify any matters. The application from CCT in relation to the Network Tearoom was agreed at a special virtual meeting of the Trust on 8 April.

Funding requests were agreed in full or part, with the exception of the Kintyre SUP Club application, which did not meet the criteria and was refused. In addition, members sought clarification from Shopper-Aide as to whether most of their significant bank balance was ring-fenced before deciding by email on whether or not to make a grant. (NOTE: Subsequent clarification was received from Shopper-Aide and the grant agreed by email.)

The trust agreed an annual Maintenance Budget of £4995 for the upkeep of footpaths, gardens and other public areas in Carradale and Saddell.

AGM: The EKWFT AGM will be held as part of the next EKCC meeting on Thursday 3 June 2021.

AOCB: No other matters were raised and the meeting closed at 8.05pm