East Kintyre Windfarm Trust Minutes of AGM Thursday 6 June 2019

- In Attendance: Ian Brodie (Chair), Eleanor Sloan, Robert Strang, Thomas McPherson, Elaine Batchelor, Ronnie Brownie, and Alasdair Bennett (Secretary/Treasurer)
- 2. Apologies: Kenny Semple & Trish Collins

3. Report 2018/19

Alasdair Bennett reported that EKWFT received a total of 29 applications during the year, 4 being refused and 2 adjusted down. A total of £44,720.69 was granted. The total paid out in the year was £56,036.19 the difference being due to payments for repair of the Village Hall roof being carried over from the previous financial year. In addition, cheques for the purchase of a new mower for Well Park and repairs to the Bay Bridge were not cleared until the current financial year. Grant income in the year totalled £32,886.19, which was lower than the average of approximately £56,000 due to 2 payments from Beinn an Tuirc II being received in the financial year 2017/18.

The balance sheet at 31 March 2019 showed a current account balance of £36,266.76, a deposit account balance of £55,926.08 and retention fund of £51,408.38, giving total funds of £143,601.22

Alasdair gave an update on the first tranche of grants from the Cour Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund which is available to the communities of East/West Kintyre and Tarbert & Skipness, but failed to produce a single application from East Kintyre. It was agreed that applicants to EKWFT will be encouraged, when appropriate, to also apply to the Cour Fund.

4. Annual Accounts 2018/19

The annual audited accounts were presented by Alasdair Bennett, proposed by Ian Brodie and seconded by Robert Strang

5. Election of Office Bearers

Alasdair agreed to continue as secretary and treasurer for another year.

6. Website

It was agreed that minutes of EKWFT meetings and details of grants awarded would continue to be posted on the Community Council website

- 7. Application Alasdair informed the meeting of an application for funding he had received from a student in Tayinloan. The application was for £2,000 to pay for the purchase of a MacBook to assist with studies. As the applicant did not live in East Kintyre and the purchase was not within the set criteria for grants, the application was refused. Alasdair will reply and suggest the student applies to West Kintyre Windfarm Trust as it has funds that can be used for this purpose.
- 8. Alasdair informed the meeting the Lesley Prag had resigned as a trustee of EKWFT and that a replacement would need to be found. It was agreed that Ian would place a notice on the Community Council website and Facebook pages asking for volunteers to be considered for this role.

9. AOCB

No other matters were raised and the meeting was closed.