East Kintyre Windfarm Trust Minutes of Meeting 7pm Thursday 10 November 2022 Carradale Village Hall

Welcome: Ian Brodie (Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting and handed over to Alasdair Bennett (Secretary/ Treasurer).

Attendance: Ian Brodie (IB), Trish Collins (TC), Alasdair Bennett (AB), Robert Strang (RS) and Josè MacKinnon (JM).

Apologies: Kenneth Semple (KS), Rebecca Paterson (RP), Shelagh Cameron (SC) and Audrey Willan (AW). Although not in attendance, KS, RP, SC and AW had either been in attendance at the pre-meeting or had passed on their comments and support in relation to the applications to the secretary.

Declarations of Interest: Village Hall IB and EKCC IB, JM, RS and TC.

SPR Due Diligence Statement: Members were reminded of SPR's Due Diligence Statement, which was previously circulated to members and is returned annually to SPR by AB, and all confirmed that they still complied with the statement.

Financial Update: AB provided an update on the finances of the EKWFT and advised that when outstanding grants were taken from the balance of the current account there remained £113,034 that could be allocated at the November 2022 and May 2023 tranches. It was once again noted that the number of grant applications was less than half of what it was pre-pandemic. The reason would appear to be the number of community groups and organisations that are still not fully back in operation.

Applications: 7 new applications were considered and the results are detailed in the attached schedule.Trustees had discussed the applications at their online pre-meeting on 27 October and agreed that a representative from each of the applications should attend the full meeting to explain the details of their project and the funds requested. It also provided an opportunity for the trustees to meet with the representatives, some of whom they had not previously met. They were thanked for attending and wished well with their various projects.

A small project that was proposed by EKCC for the refurbishment of the Remembrance Gardens was agreed, with funding to be drawn down from the already agreed maintenance budget. Brenda and Ian Buchanan, who have maintained the gardens on a voluntary basis for a good number of years, were thanked for their continued support.

AS there was no further EKWFT business, the meeting was handed back to the Chair of EKCC.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 4 May 2023