

East Kintyre Windfarm Trust
Minutes of Virtual Zoom Meeting
Thursday 12 November 2020

In Attendance: Ian Brodie (IB- Chair), Alasdair Bennett (AB - Secretary/Treasurer), Rebecca Paterson (RP), Trish Collins(TC). Cllr Redman & Cllr Horn

Welcome; IB welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked AB for setting up the Zoom video-link.

Apologies: Thomas McPherson (TMcP), Ronnie Brownie (RB), Kenneth Semple (KS) Jennifer Conley (JC), Audrey Willen (AW), Robert Strang (RS) and Shelagh Cameron (SC) Note: RB, KS, JC and AW passed their proxy support for some of the projects to the secretary prior to the meeting.

Declarations of Interest: Declarations of interest were as follows: Post Office: AB, TC and JC. Village Hall: IB

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 a number of grants from the previous allocation in May remained unclaimed, mostly due to restrictions brought about by the ongoing pandemic.

Applications: The number of new applications (3) was also impacted by the pandemic, with details recorded on the attached schedule. Trustees noted that the previous agreement of a grant of £40,000 towards the refurbishment of Paterson's Shop was now void as the sale had fallen through.

Trustees had considered the applications prior to the meeting and no need was seen to invite any of the applicants to the virtual meeting to clarify any matters.

All funding requests were agreed in full with the exception of the Kintyre Way, which was reduced slightly following a revised estimate produced by the applicant.

AOCB: AB raised the issue of expenses that were being incurred in managing community meetings and information, some of it brought about by Covid 19 restrictions. It was agreed that the costs of maintaining the community website (eastkintyre.org), the online forms for EKWFT applications and the Zoom subscription for virtual video-link meetings should be met from EKWFT funds under sundry expenses. It was mentioned that SPR, who provide EKWFT with 80% of its funding from the Beinn an Tuirc Windfarms, expect to see administrative expenses detailed in the annual audited accounts.