MINUTES of MEETING of ARGYLL AND BUTE WINDFARM AND RENEWABLES TRUST held in the TOP FLOOR, TEMPLARS HALL, HARBOUR STREET, TARBERT on TUESDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2014

Present:

Councillor Anne Horn (Chair)

Attending: Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law Audrey Martin, Development Projects and Renewables Manager Alastair Calder, ALIEnergy Stuart Irvine, East Kintyre CC Windfarm Trust Margaret Pratt, West Kintyre CC Windfarm Trust

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated by:-

Councillor Donald Kelly Councillor Rory Colville Dr Mandie Currie, ALIEnergy Allan Mortimer, Scottish Power

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

The Minute of the previous meeting held on 21 August 2013 was approved as a true record.

4. EAST KINTYRE WINDFARM TRUSTEES

The group gave consideration to a report updating them on the financial status of East Kintyre Community Council and applications submitted to year ending 31 March 2014.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the report, and the fact that the independent process had been reviewed and new appointments made.

(Ref: Report submitted by East Kintyre Community Council).

5. WEST KINTYRE WINDFARM TRUSTEES

The group gave consideration to reports updating them on the financial status of West Kintyre Community Council and applications submitted to year ending 31 March 2014.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the reports, and the fact that the independent process had been reviewed and new appointments made.

(Ref: Reports submitted by West Kintyre Community Council).

6. INVERARAY WINDFARM TRUSTEES

No report was received from Inveraray Windfarm Trustees.

Decision:

The group agreed that the Senior Area Committee Assistant would write to Inveraray Windfarm Trustees requesting an updated Statement of Accounts and circulate to Trustees for information.

7. ALIENERGY

Alistair Calder from ALIEnergy had submitted a written update on ALIEnergy activity and he augmented this with a verbal presentation.

Decision:

The group noted the written report submitted and the verbal update.

8. SCOTTISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

There was no report from the Scottish Community Foundation.

Decision:

The group agreed that Audrey Martin would ascertain any changes to SSE's funding policy. It was also noted that SSE had done very good work on the ruling at other community projects.

9. TIMING OF PAYMENTS

Discussion was had in relation to the timing of payments from the umberella fund, with Trustees advising of the difficulty for trust members in making decisions in relation to applications received for funding.

Decision:

The group agreed that Mr Reppke should circulate a report setting out a timetable for payments and that he would investigate outstanding payment issues as well.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair thanked Trustees and officers for their input and attendance at the meeting. Stuart Irvine proposed a vote of thanks to the Chair.