

## **MINUTES**

**of the MEETING of QUALIFIED  
PROPRIETORS of SALMON FISHERIES  
in the NORTHERN SALMON FISHERY  
DISTRICT held on TUESDAY 23rd  
SEPTEMBER 2014 at 2:00pm at the  
BETTYHILL HOTEL**

### **Present:**

Lord Iliffe (Naver) (Chairman)

Lord Joicey (Mallart)  
Mr D Lindsay (Kinloch)  
The Hon. G Lopes (Naver)  
The Hon. Mrs G Lopes (Naver)  
Mr A Nicholson (Mallart)  
Mr J Mason (Naver)  
Mr J Mackay (Armadale)  
Mr V Hackel (Strathy)  
Mr S Green (Naver)  
Mr A Nicholson (Mallart)  
Mr P Bakker (Naver)  
Mr J Stewart (Borgie)

### **In attendance:**

Mr C Cook (Clerk, Bell Ingram)

### **Public Attendance**

Mr M Heeps

### **Apologies:**

Mr T Ward (Halladale)  
Mr J Gray (Naver)  
Mr M Stone (Naver)  
Mr P Gwyn (Airdeneiskish)  
Mr F Drummond (Borgie)  
Mr P Butterworth (Rep. Salmon Anglers)

## **1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 24th SEPTEMBER 2013**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

## **2. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

### **3. ANNUAL REPORT**

The Chairman explained that the Annual Report had been prepared in line with the ASFB guidance on the 2013 Aquaculture Act and spoke to the report.

The Clerk explained that the 2013 Act now required that meetings should be publicised in such a way that will easily enable interested members of the public to inform themselves of a forthcoming meeting and attend it. This meeting and the Board meeting that follows it were advertised with 21 days notice on the NDSFB website he said along with a copy of the two agendas.

There being no further comments or requests to alter the report the Chairman signed the Annual Report.

### **4. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2013**

The Clerk drew Proprietors attention to the Audited accounts circulated with the meeting papers and prepared by Morris & Young in Perth.

The management charged was discussed and it was suggested that the Board should review these costs. The Clerk explained that the 2013 management charge comprised two elements. The annual management charge in line with budget and an additional charge which received the approval of the Board resulting from, amongst other things, making the working practices of the Board compliant with the new Aquaculture Act, planning matters (SSE wind farm projects in particular), broader renewables issues (including three Scottish Government/Crown/developer meetings), matters relating to the River Halladale Proprietors, and attending the annual ASFB AGM in Perth.

In response to an enquiry the Clerk confirmed that all Assessments for the 2013 year had been received. Proprietors considered the remainder of the accounts without comment and the Chairman duly signed them.

### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2.30pm