

## **MINUTES**

**of the MEETING of QUALIFIED  
PROPRIETORS of SALMON FISHERIES  
in the NORTHERN SALMON FISHERY  
DISTRICT held on TUESDAY 24th  
SEPTEMBER 2013 at 2:00pm at the  
BETTYHILL HOTEL**

### **Present:**

Lord Iliffe (Naver) (Chairman)

Mr F Drummond (Borgie)  
Mr J Gray (Naver)  
Lord Joicey (Mallart)  
Mr D Lindsay (Kinloch)  
The Hon. G Lopes (Naver)  
The Hon. Mrs G Lopes (Naver)  
The Hon. M Lopes (Naver)  
Mr A Nicholson (Mallart)  
Mr J Mason (Naver)  
Mr J Mackay (Armadale)

### **In attendance:**

Mr C Cook (Clerk, Bell Ingram)  
Mr P Butterworth (Rep. Salmon Anglers)

### **Public Attendance**

Mr P Bakker  
Mr R Cooper  
Mr I McMyn  
Mr J Nicholson

### **Apologies:**

Mr V Hackel (Strathy)  
Hon. E Iliffe (Naver)  
Mr J Salkeld (Halladale)  
Mr M Stone (Naver)  
Mrs M Stone (Naver)  
Mr T Ward (Halladale)  
Mr P Gwyn (Airdeneiskish)

## **1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 25th SEPTEMBER 2012**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25th September 2012 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.

Proprietors discussed the Strathy South Windfarm at length and also the Altnaharra Windfarm and Mr Lopes asked that the Board adopt as policy the procuring of a peer review of all scientific study/evidence produced by developers in support of their planning applications – in so far as that scientific study/evidence relates to the statutory brief of the Board. The Board agreed the policy.

The Clerk discussed the Pentland Firth energy meetings he had attended on behalf of the Board.

The Clerk also reminded Proprietors that the 2013 Aquaculture Act now makes it an offense to introduce young stock to a river without the consent of the Board.

The Clerk explained that the 2013 Act now required that meetings should be publicised in such a way that will easily enables interested members of the public to inform themselves of a forthcoming meeting and attend it. He reported that 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 2012**

The Clerk drew Proprietors attention to the Audited accounts circulated with the meeting papers and prepared by Morris & Young in Perth. Proprietors considered the accounts without comment except for the observation of a spelling mistake and the Chairman duly signed them.

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

There was no other business.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2.30pm