

**MINUTES of the ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING of the NORTHERN DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY
BOARD held on TUESDAY 12th MAY 2015 at 2.00PM at the BETTYHILL HOTEL**

Present: Mr Toby Ward (Convener)
The Hon G Lopes
Mr J Gray
Lord Iliffe
Mr S Green (Mandate - Mr M Stone)
Mrs A Nicholson (Mandate - Mr A Nicholson)

Mr P Gwyn
Mr J MacKay

In attendance: Mr D Hurst-Brown
Mrs S Lopes
Mr D Buchan
Mr J Mason
Mr M Heeps
Mr P Bakker
Mr A Laing (Chairman, ASFB)
Dr K Williams (Director, Kyle of Sutherland Fisheries)
Mrs A MacAuslan (Clerk)

The Convenor welcomed all to the Annual Public Meeting. The Convenor explained that as this was the first time the Board had come together since the appointment of the new Chairman and Clerk, the appointments to these positions would be proposed and seconded at the start of this Annual Public Meeting.

Mr Toby Ward was duly appointed as Chairman of the Northern District Salmon Fishery Board, proposed by Lord Iliffe and seconded by The Hon G Lopes. Mrs Alexa MacAuslan was duly appointed as Clerk of the Northern District Salmon Fishery Board, proposed by The Hon G Lopes and seconded by Mr J Mackay.

1. ANNUAL REPORT

The Clerk spoke to the Annual Report, which she explained had been considered at the September 2014 meeting of the Annual Qualified Proprietors and covers the Board's activity for the period 2013/2014.

The Clerk advised the meeting that under the Renewable Energy section of the annual report, the Creag Riabhach Wind farm proposal should read '22 turbines with a maximum tip height of 125m with an installed capacity of 72.6 MW'. It was confirmed by Mr D Buchan that this change to the number of proposed turbines occurred prior to the annual report

being considered in September 2014 and it was therefore agreed to change this section of the annual report.

The Clerk advised that the revised annual report will be published on the NDSFB website for information.

There were no further questions or comments.

2. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2013

The Clerk spoke to the Accounts, which she explained had been considered at the meeting of the Annual Qualified Proprietors held in September 2014.

The annual accounts are available to the public on the NDSFB website

There were no questions.

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The Convenor thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.