

Loch Broom Community Renewables			
Minutes meeting held 27.01.2021 19:30 – by Zoom			
Present: Rob Gibson (Chair), Seori Burnett, Paul Copestake, Sara DiRollo Andy Kaye, Robert Mackenzie (Treasurer), Dave Maxwell (Secretary), Sandy Osbourne			
Apologies: Alex Cochrane, Kathleen Donald, Edel Walsh (Zoom), Alison Parsons			
Minutes: Dave Maxwell			
No	Details	Action	Comment
1	Approval (and publication) of minutes		
1.1	Prop DM / Sec SB of 26.11.21 Minutes to uploaded to website	AP	
No	Details	Action	Comment
2	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes		
2.1	High School Hydro Project & Vision Day Goals SB working with Developing Young People rep, Julie Philip, to develop a proposal. PC to contact Gilkes to see if the can help	SB & SD PC	Ongoing
2.2	Insurance claim for undelivered lease All to review email from AK and feed back	All	Ongoing
No	Details	Action	Comment
3	Operating Update		
3.1	Monthly Generation Wet in Dec and Jan, bringing nearer to average after dry summer. Forecast is unsettled with rain or possibly snow. 1.5 MWh milestone passed. This should be shared on Facebook; Comms Group will take responsibility.	 RG, SD, AP	
No	Details	Action	Comment
4	Finance Update		
4.1	RM circulated monthly finance updates for Nov and Dec. Interest payments largely completed. 21/22 Op Budget approved by directors (earlier by email) as requested by RM.		
4.2	Capital repayments very low – Finance sub-group to agree approach to encourage more members to request repayment.	RM / DM / RG / AK	
4.3	Woodland Group funds to be ring-fenced and separate bank account opened and managed by sub-group	RM	

4.4	Power Purchase Agreement renewed with help from Locogen. Unit price increased from 5.039p to 16.211p for 1 year contract. FiT price currently 18.39p – will be updated in line with inflation on 6 th Apr		
No	Details	Action	
5	Signage		
5.1	Cost of replacing the sign at the turbine approach to be compared with cost of new sign on the turbine house	RG	
No	Details	Action	Comment
6	AGM – Wrap-Up		
6.1	2021 AGM section to be added to investors page on web site and relevant docs uploaded	Comms Group (RG, SD, AP)	
No	Details	Action	Comment
7	Website		
7.1	RG currently working on having films uploaded. Web host contract comes to an end February; Alison has requested discussion to decide on choice of new provider.	RG Comms Group (RG, SD, AP)	
No	Details	Action	Comment
8	Lease Update		
8.1	Registration in progress, but held up due to backlog at Registers of Scotland		
No	Details	Action	Comment
9	UCT Directors		
9.1	Reps for LCR Board to be discussed with Tim (new UCT Chair)	RG	
No	Details	Action	Comment
10	Organogram		
10.1	Very useful diagram but details taken from 2020 task list now out of date. Task list owners to be updated and new version issued	DM, SB	
No	Details	Action	Comment
11	Woodland Purchase / Housing Group and BroomPower		
11.1	Woodland group is effectively a new project. It was agreed that the membership of the 2 groups should remain separate until the direction of the Woodland group becomes clearer. PC to speak to Neil Gerrard about possible options in the future.	PC	

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12	Woodland Purchase / Housing		
12	<p><u>Hydro Land Purchase (Lochbroom Community Woodland Project)</u></p> <p>Update</p> <p>12.1. Preapplication for housing. Community Housing Trust has advised LCR to boost our 'community benefit' aims by assessing how many affordable houses can be built on part of lot 4b. A positive result would be a key element of a bid for Scottish Land Fund (SLF) money to pay for a costed assessment for our land purchased aims. SB has consulted SO on the best specification to put to contractors for a bid to undertake a topological survey of three sites in Lael Woodland. These should include the area behind the turbine house, the area near the Allt a' Bhraighe above the entry to the LandRover track and another near the Allt a'Mhuillin of a possible croft site. Agreed to seek bids and seek Board approval for spending required. FLS permission to conduct the Topo survey will be sought.</p> <p>12.2. Liaison with FLS re the 10 year forest management plan. AK has provided a critique by Harriet Jenkins of the FLS 2012 – 2022 plan. Much of the actions agreed seem to be unaudited. A meeting is planned for Braemore Hall to consult the community on the 2022-2032 plan. Date to be confirmed. AK will encourage the Lochbroom CC, LCR and neighbouring landowners to attend to question the viability of FLS aims for each section and the negative effect they might have on a community asset transfer (CAT) unless changes of priorities are accepted.</p> <p>12,3. Recent visits by interested 'crofters'. AK has had several since our November Board meeting, another next week. Of the 69 applicant groups, 18 have visited with 2 pending. All seem very clued up on 'off-grid' living ideas and keen on the land in lot 4a north of the Allt Glacour bridge (which is currently condemned). LCR/LCW must consider our own survey of the bridge.</p>	<p>SB/SO</p> <p>AK</p> <p>LCW Group</p>	
No	Details	Action	Comment
13	AOB		
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	Next Meetings (19.30)		
	March 31 May 26 July 28 September 29		