



Lochbroom Community Renewables			
Minutes meeting held 19.06.23 19:30 –Zoom			
Present: Rob Gibson (Chair), Kathleen Donald, Andy Kaye, Alison Parsons.			
Apologies: Alex Cochrane, Seori Burnett, Paul Copestake, Sandy Osborne.			
Minutes: Alison Parsons			
2	Approval of Minutes 13 March, 2023	Action	Comment
2	Prop. AP. Seconded KD.		
3	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes	Action	Comment
	See following minutes.		
4	Finance	Action	Comment
	<p>Cash Flow update from SO Sandy reported that this is pretty well up to date and just needs a short session with AK to be completed. It all looks healthy. The big unknown is of course where export payments will go over the next few years, if they remain at 30+ pence then that's great for us, we only need 10p or so to achieve our target capital repayment. All the more for CBF.</p> <p>AK submitted the financial report. A poor month in a poor final quarter in terms of income, thanks to the prolonged dry spell. The £10k CBF donation was paid to UCT. Other payments were routine ones except for the payments to Caintech and Gilks in respect of survey work and dealing with a turbine related problem.</p> <p><u>Shares related items on Triodos</u> Only 1 shares withdrawal (on basis of need) for £1000 was paid out of the Triodos current account. No payments for shares withdrawals from the 90 day account are recorded. This will be the subject of a separate report for budget purposes.</p> <p><u>Year end summary</u> Income £129995 (a record) Expenditure £17,420 (within budget)</p> <p>Hopefully income will be much improved as the higher pricing kicks in alongside higher FiT payments. A decent rainfall will help.</p> <p>On expenditure, we can expect some substantial increases in at least 3 areas in respect of the next financial year. These are Insurance, FL&S rental and electricity supply. The former is driven by our turnover.</p>	SO/AK	

5	Strategic Review and Land Purchase	Action	
	<p>SB reported. After much chasing Caintech finally submitted the application last week for work to carry out trial pits on the two proposed house sites. The maximum timescale for approval should be 6 weeks. Hopefully the work, analysis and report could then be carried out in 2-4 weeks.</p> <p>We should therefore have the information to inform the planning pre app submission (to be prepared by CHT) by the end of August.</p> <p>This was noted by the meeting and SB is asked to keep on the tail of Caintech.</p>	SB	ongoing
6	Operating update	Action	
	<p>FLS plan to extend track north. Update from AK. FLS have completed the work they planned to do.</p> <p>PC report – attached. The board noted that ‘we are at the mercy of the weather’.</p> <p>SO reported regarding REGO. (Basically, a guarantee that we are generating from a renewable source). Still chasing up on this. Need to establish whether or not we have already registered for a generator account. If not, we may miss out on this year's allowance. It's not worth a huge amount but worth having. We get one certificate for each MWh and a fraction of a pence against this. Will follow up offline with Andy.</p> <p>Still chasing Gilkes for a quote for Fire suppression linked to the HMI in the powerhouse which was one on the insurers list.</p> <p>AK and SO noted that the vegetation around the powerhouse is in need of a trim. Trees are sprouting up all over. We will also need to look at the pipe track and path. The week commencing 14th August was agreed to arrange a working party to clear the area.</p>	<p>SO/AK</p> <p>SO</p> <p>All/AP</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>ongoing</p>
7	Company Secretary update	Action	
	<p>Website now updated with new Homepage and minutes now up to date. Still to address: the Community Woodland Project page needs bringing up to date. AK suggested that this should be done when we have the pre planning application. This was agreed.</p> <p>Draft minutes from 2022 AGM need finalising before posting on the website. RG agreed to check them.</p> <p>Volunteer appeal. Draft letter to go to UN, posted on Facebook and mailed to all members and interested parties to be approved.</p>	<p>AP</p> <p>AP/RG</p> <p>AP</p>	

8	Any other business & date of next meeting.	Action	Comment
	<p>RG attended Community Land Scotland conference in Skye on 2-3 June. Here are compilations of workshops etc. https://www.communitylandscotland.org.uk/resources/2023-annual-conference/</p> <p>Date of next AGM was agreed as Saturday 30th September 2023. Venue yet to be determined. AP will contact the Harbour to find out if we can use again.</p> <p>Shares interest rate 2022. AK suggested 4% and this was agreed.</p> <p>Next meeting: Tuesday 15th August. Remote meeting. AP to invite LUCT to attend.</p>	<p>AP</p> <p>AP</p>	

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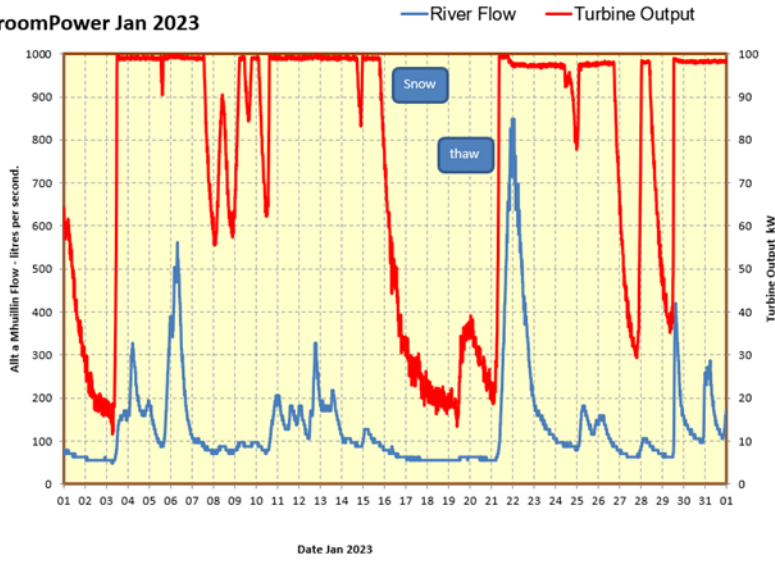
Generation Update March 2023 Meeting

Paul Copestake

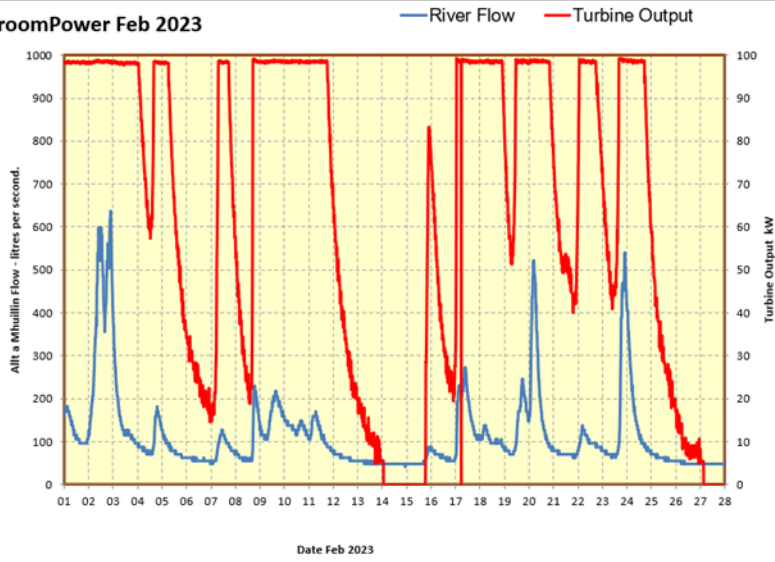
Output for November and December

As the Graphs and our own recollections will confirm, January and February were wet. Indeed, January was the wettest January so far recorded at Broompower. The 3-month projection suggests a drier and warmer spring, The battle between cold and warm is likely to continue through March so less likely to see prolonged wet spells, some drier spells likely.

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