

# Island of Hoy Development Trust Meeting Minutes

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

19.30

NORTH WALLS COMMUNITY  
ROOM

Meeting Called By	Deborah Jaques
Minute Secretary	Liz Davidson
Type of Meeting	Annual General Meeting
Attendance – Board Members	Deborah Jaques, Ian Davidson, Moira Cossar, Rob Seatter
NON-BOARD	Liz Davidson, Deanna Johnston, Brian Clegg, Helena Cutler, Jude Callister, Jan Witkamp, Denize Lace, Liz Train, Shirley Stuart, Sally Harvey. Kris Rowell arrived 19.45

### Topics

1	WELCOME	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming. She explained that this AGM was for the year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018 and also advised that membership forms and sign up forms for the newsletter were available should anybody want one.	
2	QUORUM AND APPOINTMENT OF PROXIES	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	The meeting was quorate. Four proxy votes appointing the Chair had been received from Keith Dobney, Lindsay Hall, Max Collop & Jill Collop.	
3	APOLOGIES	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	Apologies had been received from Rob Crichton, Keith Dobney, Keith Dempsey, Jayne Traynor, Lindsay Hall, Max Collop, Jill Collop and Dorothy Rendall.	
4	APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AGM OF 7 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2017 AND MATTERS ARISING	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	The Chair asked if everyone had read the minutes of the previous years' AGM held on the 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 and said that copies were available, everybody had read these. She asked for approval of these minutes. These were proposed as correct by Moira Cossar, seconded by Deanna Johnston signed by Deborah Jaques as Chair. There were no matters arising.	

5	ADDRESS BY THE CHAIR	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	<p>Copies of the Consolidated accounts and Trustees report for the year ended 31 March 2018 had been circulated to members ahead of the meeting, but were also available at the meeting and on the website. There were also some graphs available at the meeting showing the uptake of the Community Fund, Event fund and the Training &amp; Learning Fund to the end of March 2019 and the balance of funds held.</p> <p>The Chair covered the following areas in her address; details of these are included as an annex to the minutes.</p> <p>Community Fund;  YM Community Hall;  Community Bus Service;  Health &amp; Care;  Youth, Leisure &amp; Heritage;  Playpark;  Broadband;  Community Engagement &amp; Development Plan;  IoHDT Structure.</p> <p>The Chair thanked the office staff and the bus drivers for their hard work throughout the year.</p> <p>The Chair then handed the meeting to the Treasurer to present the report and accounts for the year.</p>	

6	REPORT AND ACCOUNTS – TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018 AND THE REPORTS OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES AND AUDITOR	LIZ DAVIDSON (FINANCE OFFICER)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Treasurer gave a summary of the report and accounts for the year to the meeting, hi-lighting some of the more predominant figures (details of his summary is included as an annex to the minutes). He asked if there any questions regarding the report &amp; accounts. Jan asked how much contribution to the running of the bus service was provided by fares. Debs said it was a very small contribution to the operation and amounted to approximately £6,000 per annum. There were no further questions.</p> <p>The Treasurer proposed the accounts for acceptance by the members, the proposal was seconded by Rob Seatter and the members duly accepted the accounts.</p>	

7	RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS AND SECRETARY	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	<p>It was proposed by the Treasurer that Scholes Chartered Accountants be re-appointed as Auditors and Company Secretary for the Trust. This was seconded by Jan Witkamp.</p>	
8	HOY ENERGY LTD REPORT	BRIAN CLEGG
Summary of Discussion	<p>Brian Clegg addressed the meeting on behalf of Hoy Energy Limited. His report is annexed to the minutes.  After giving his report, Brian asked if there were any questions.</p> <p>Questions from the floor included some from Jan Witkamp relating to life expectancy of the turbine. Brian explained this was a key question and under continuous review by the HEL board, he also confirmed that it is currently widely accepted that to date no turbine type operated in Orkney, irrespective of manufacturer, has remained in operation to the length of time initially suggested by the manufacturer. He added that the Enercon E44 turbine has a manufacturer stated life expectancy of 18 years although they will not offer pre-paid all-inclusive maintenance past year 12 - a likely conclusion to draw from this is that the maintenance costs between year 12 and 18 will at some point be high enough to render the project un-viable. Important factors for consideration in this arena are items such as blade replacement, as Enercon state that blade replacement is likely at least once through wear &amp; tear but possibly more dependent on the environment of operation, with a list price of 400,000 euros ex works this could be devastating to the income stream if left to chance. However, as the HEL board are committed to finding a strategy to manage this looming situation, confidence of identifying a suitable approach remains on the right side of positive.</p>	
9	QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR	DEBORAH JAQUES (CHAIR)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Chair asked if there were any questions.</p> <p>A broad based question from Chris Rowel relating to disputes with surrounding developers, both past and present, was answered by Brian with an explanation that the only real dispute to date was with the second adjacent project proposal made by Haybrake Wind Farms Ltd wherein they had publicly refused to consider payment of compensation for any detrimental impact on the community turbine. A previous and identical proposal from Binga Fee Wind Farms Ltd was made with full preliminary consultation with a signed industry standard wake effect compensation agreement being the outcome. The IoHDT submitted a formal statutory objection to the HayBrake planning application which was upheld rigidly by the OIC planning officers - this resulted in Haybrake compiling a compensation agreement with HEL and paying everyone's legal fees so the objection could be retracted and the application move forward for consideration and indeed rejection for other reasons. The current adjacent project proposal is from the OIC itself but the dialogue with them remains cordial with an understanding that any compensation requirements will be discussed and resolved before any</p>	

