# MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEETING

of the qualified proprietors of salmon fisheries NORTH & WEST DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD held on Friday,

10th November 2023 at 2.00 pm via Zoom

#### **Attendees**

Mr Alan Balfour

Ms Kathryn Bontoft

Mr David Davies (Vice-chair)

Mr Keith Dunbar

Ms Sarah Harkins

Mr Tim Kirkwood

Mr Dougal Lindsay

Mr Cathal Macleod

Mr Gerald Osborne

Mr Robin Vestey (Chairman)

#### In attendance

Dr Shona Marshall (West Sutherland Fishery Trust) Mr Rob Whitson (Bell Ingram – Clerk) Ms Anastasia Young (Bell Ingram – Clerk)

#### **Apologies**

Mr Richard Haldane Ms Gabi Rex

### Minutes of Meeting held on 10th November 2022

The previous meeting minutes have been distributed and the draft approved.

# **Matters Arising**

No comments.

#### **Annual Report 2022/23**

The annual draft report is based on Shona's activities and statutory work. The report provides an update from the board towards the end.

Chairman mentioned an error on page two under the request for introduction of young stock, the board have received requests from Inver only.

## Financial Accounts for the Year Ended 28th May 2023

Rob Whitson has issued the Financial Accounts for the Year Ended 28th May 2023.

While audit fees have increased, bookkeeping fees and fish memberships have remained the same. Income has also remained similar to previous years.

Due to delays in assessment payments, the accounts show £9000 in debtors. RW reminded members to pay assessment as soon as invoices are received.

A surplus of £104 is noted due to unrecoverable VAT.

RW noted an error in Shona's role and has asked for an amendment.

The Chairman asked to receive copies for signatures.

# **Any Other Business**

No further comments.

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