**CAITHNESS DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING: 11th of November 2024**

**Present**

Chairman: Lord Thurso (LT)

Members: J Mackay(JM), I Cormack(IC), SWD Laird(SL), R Dunbar(RD), M Newton(MN), A Macauslan (AM

Officers: EC McCarthy(EM), M Blackwood (MB)

Observer:

**1.Register of Interests**

Nothing new to register.

**2.Apologies**

D Mackay(DM), A Youngson(AY)

**3.Minutes of the last meeting**

 The minutes of the meeting held on 14th August were approved.

**4. Matters arising**

There were no matters arising not on the Agenda.

**5.Finance and Admin**

1. Clerk’s report. The table of correspondence and other activity by the Clerk was duly noted.

**6.Consultant’s Report**

The Chairman let everyone know that AY was in hospital, so he was not able to attend the meeting but had written a note, which is attached, and points summarised below.

1. Tormsdale Windfarm **–** AY agreed to discuss the matter on a scientific basis only **– board agreed**
2. West of Orkney **–** chairman advised to leave this if it is on track for AY to pick when he is well enough **– board agreed**
3. **Causeymire Wind Farm -** chairman advised to leave this if it is on track for AY to pick when he is well enough **– board agreed**

**7.Flow Country Rivers Trust**

Notyhing to report

**8.Bailiff’s Report**

Bailiff reported that things had been very quiet.

**9.Any other business**

MRN asked the board to look into the possible set up of hybrid meetings.

**10.Meeting dates**

The next meetings of the board will take place as stated below;

2025 meeting dates

Friday 7th March 2025 via zoom time to be confirmed.

Remaining meeting for 2025 as provisional dates based on last years dates.

Friday 6th June 2025 in The Ulbster at 2pm (proprietors)

Wednesday 13th August 2025 in The Ulbster at 2pm (public)

Friday 21st November 2025 via zoom