

Great Glen Energy Co-operative Ltd.
Minutes of Meeting at Lovat Arms, Ft. Augustus 1st September 2009- 7pm

Present: Mark Jennison, Felix Paterson, Denise Paterson, Kenneth Knott, Ian Whyte, Graham Strachan.

1. Apologies None	ACTIONS
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. FP proposed the minutes KK seconded	
<p>3. Matters Arising</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minutes would go on the web once approved. 2. Compensation for low availability. MJ to check with Charles Williams- payment probably annual. 3. KK advised community benefit issue now resolved. 4. Schools not invited to site visit. Resolve when next visit arranges (possibly Spring 2010). 5. Website voting. Possible – get approval at next General Meeting 6. Problem Solving Day. Agreed invite Lynda Dodds to next meeting. <p>7. Confirmed Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Meeting and next Board Meeting Tues 10th Nov. • Launch-Monday 14th Sept. To assemble 12.30am at Hall. • Board Meeting Tues 2nd Feb 2010. • E4A AGM 21/22 Nov 2009 • Great Glen Energy Co-operative Ltd. AGM Sat 17th April • Board Meeting 4th May Provisional <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Right Issue. MJ advised work in progress but clarified legal advice no new members would be eligible to buy into co-op. 9. MJ agreed to produce paper on options to create new members, transfer of shares, and develop new projects within scope of existing co-op rules and associated matters. GS to circulate for discussion key questions to be addressed in paper. 10. Newsletter. GS agreed to proof read when MJ circulates final copy. All articles to be submitted ASAP. MJ to check approvals with Platform PR re children's photos. 11. Co-op and formal relationship with E4A. MJ apologised for delay but info will be circulated by next week for discussion by the Board before E4A AGM where decisions would be finalised. 	<p>E4A</p> <p>MJ</p> <p>GS</p> <p>MJ & GS</p> <p>MJ GS</p> <p>E4A</p>
<p>4. Windfarm Performance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. PDF problem and Helen to check if attachment is the problem. b. Details as per Newsletter. Need to remember warning that 1st year always hard to predict and outputs should be averaged over longer period. c. We will receive monthly Performance Stats (private to board, synopsis on web site for members) and quarterly P&L accounts. 	<p>E4A</p> <p>E4A</p>

<p>5. Great Glen Energy Co-operative Ltd. Budgets Development Budget needs £80 design costs transferred out leaving £3740 available in year one. Charitable Trust may not happen in time and any underspend would be taxable.</p>	E4A
<p>6. Further Co-op Investment Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General discussion on options for Great Glen Energy Co-operative Ltd to invest in other projects and develop its own longer term projects beyond Development Fund scope. • Para 3.9 above relates. • Board agreed worthwhile to build up Capital Development Fund from small %age of annual profits and work up specific projects. All spend from profits to be approved by members at AGM. 	All
<p>7. Co-op Outreach Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Ceremony/Naming Competition. Many thanks to Denise for valued input. • MJ to liaise with Platform PR on youth invitees and details of award ceremony. KK suggested and all agreed a Certificate/Card/Booklet with individual names and enclosing Book Tokens (£20 per winner- to be sourced by GS) to be issued. Denise to send GS, and Lindsay (lynsey.ross@platformpr.co.uk) email list of winners. MJ to organise 3 cheques (£50 each) for schools with suggestion books be purchased. KK to advise on titles. MJ to ask Falck for plaques for each school as suggested by KK. 	GS MJ DP KK MJ
<p>8. General Meeting Tuesday 10th November at 7pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E4A to prepare papers and notify date in Newsletter. To be held at Lovat Arms. Catering if required. • General Meeting to consider Postal and Web Voting followed by Board Meeting. 	E4A
<p>9. Minute Secretary Agreed poster as per latest draft. Add telephone number of E4A. Set deadline to have applications by 10th November. MJ to circulate final poster for all to distribute.</p>	MJ All
<p>10. Election of Chair There being one nomination, Graham Strachan was formally elected as Chair of Great Glen Energy Co-operative Ltd. GS thanked MJ for all his hard work to date and asked him to remain Chair till the end of this meeting. It was confirmed that IW would require to formally seek appointment at the next AGM and that FP and MJ (longest serving members) would as per the Co-op rules step down as Directors being eligible to stand again for the Board. Agreed all office bearer positions would require to be reviewed after every AGM. MJ to confirm our understanding of rules.</p>	MJ

<p>11. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Declarations of interest. Agreed all Directors should declare all outside interests which may have a bearing on the work of the Co-op and to take note of all such declarations at the next meeting.• E4A AGM. Agreed GS would attend.• Rowanbank proposal for educational Toolkit. Circulated by MJ. To be discussed at next meeting or by email. KK to sound out from local teacher what exists at present.	<p>GS GS/E4A</p> <p>All. KK</p>
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Signed as a true record of the meeting

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