Minutes of the Board meeting of Westray Development Trust (WDT) held on Monday 2nd July 2012 at 7.30pm in the Westray Parish Kirk

<u>Present:</u> Margaret Hutchison (MH), Philip Bews (PB), David Seatter (DS) Chair, Ann Rendall (AR), George Costie (GC), June Harcus (JH), George Drever (GD), Stewart Rendall (SR)

<u>Attending:</u> Janice Rendall (JR) Minutes, Corinne Curtis (CC) CDO, Anne Cooper (AC) Westray Community Council (WCC)

- 1 Apologies: Douglas Leslie (DL)
- 2 <u>Minutes of Board meeting 11th June 2012:</u> Proposed JH, seconded GD No matters arising

3 PEG:

17/2012 Golf Course Tractor: All in favour of PEG recommendation.

19/2012 Play park upgrade: Defer decision in light of new grant stream

16/2012 Richan's retreat: All agreed to PEG recommendation

4 CDO Report: The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

On the subject of the electric scooter, it was agreed to get the vehicle checked over and to offer it to Friends of Kalisgarth to manage.

5 <u>WDT Office:</u> The purchase of the former Edenweave shop at Unit 1, Pierowall was completed on Friday 29th June.

6 Hofn: Awaiting return of tenders.

The turbine is still shutdown; contact to be made with BJRE regarding the repair of the inverter. JR

7 <u>BioFuels:</u> Discussion was held on the proposal received from Energy Action Westray. The main point raised was the value of the containers and it was agreed to offer the equipment and bunded area to EAW on a two year lease. This would allow EAW to establish whether the business was viable and also allow WDT to monitor whether the conditions to be set were being met.

8 <u>Housing:</u> The decision was taken to postpone further work on this area until such time as the new OIC housing at Byrefield, Breckowall is allocated. After this time, WDT will meet with WCC to discuss housing options.

9 Golf course: Nothing to report

10 Factory turbine: Awaiting the planning decision.

11 Office:

It was agreed that WDT would invest £200k in an interest bearing account this financial year. The best interest rates will be sought.

Approval was given for the proposed budgets for the new financial year.

12 <u>AOCB</u>: David Knight from big Lottery will be on the island on Thursday 5th July. Alasdair McVicar is going to meet with him on behalf of WRE Ltd. Some WDT directors will also meet with him.

Small turbine maintenance: contact Sam Harcus to establish what should be done.

The website issue was raised again and it was agreed that CC would contact Phil Hellewell.

GC left the meeting at 9.30pm after declaring an interest in the next item to be discussed.

Gallowhill turbines: reference emails sent between WDT and Colin Risbridger in 2008 was circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed the best way forward now was to contact shareholders of Westray Wind Power Ltd directly to discuss the issue of compensation for loss of income for the community turbine.

DS/JR

Meghan McEwen had requested a letter of support to send to Community Spaces Scotland along with the application for funding for the play park upgrade. All agreed.

It was agreed that a gift be bought for Alasdair McVicar in recognition of the hard work and effort he has put in during his time on the trust and the ongoing work he is doing.

JR

13 Date of next meeting: Monday 6th August 2012 at 7.30pm in the Westray Parish Kirk.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 9.45pm.