

ARGYLL DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD

BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday 4th November 2025, 10.30am

The Loch Fyne Hotel, Inveraray

The ADSFB meeting followed on from the AFT AGM

ATTENDANCE : Roger Brook (RB, Chair), Alasdair Reynolds (AR), Jane Wright (JW), Tim King (TK), Alan Kettle White (AKW), Robert Younger (RY), David Stewart (DS), Jonathan Brown (JB), Alison Elliott (AE, Minutes), Graeme Anderson (GA, AFT Senior Biologist), David Kamerman (DK, AFT Biologist), Rebecca Smith (RS), Hugh Nicol (HN), Alan Stewart (AS), Grenfell Lang (GL), Steven Beale (SB), Ray Doonan (RD), Alex Adrian (AA)

APOLOGIES : Andrew Barker, J&P Buchanan-Jardine, Mr Forde, Ian Tegner, Frans Van Bonnel, Gordon Stephens, David Sutherland, Tony Huntington, Robin Dixon, Ian Amory, Rob Jackson (AFT Biologist), Charles Johnson, Lucy Abel Smith

INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHAIR AND APOLOGIES

RB welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.

MINUTES FROM AGM HELD ON 24th MARCH 2025

The previous minutes were approved by TK and seconded by JB

With the demise of ADRIA, JB and RB are working towards transferring the Bailiff to the Board.

DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON AQUACULTURE

The EMP's have created a lot of monitoring for AKW. However, with SEPA taking over as a regulator, the EMP's are going to be regulated by SEPA. SEPA sent out licences to farms and those farms have appealed. This will cause years of delay. FMS believe they can make progress on restrictions. One thing FMS are working on is penalties for escapes and strict limit on sea lice levels during the smolt migration. Since Mowi purchased Dawn Fresh farms and converted them to Smolt areas on Etive and Awe it was agreed that they would donate £50k each year index linked for approximately 10 years for Habitat improvements.

BIOLOGIST'S REPORT

The Biologist report was circulated prior to the meeting. AKW discussed the presentation, and the Biologists work further at the meeting.

RB thanked the AFT Biologists for their hard work.

CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk's report was circulated prior to the meeting. The levies outstanding will receive a legal letter.

LEVY RE-EVALUATION

Hopefully the levy will remain the same next year. Decisions will be published at the AGM In April.

BANK ACCOUNT ACCESS

It is necessary for other persons to have access to the online bank account. Therefore, it is decided that JB will have single full power access and AE will have access to view and print statements each month. That was approved by DS and seconded by TK

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No other business

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

AGM Tuesday 21st April 2026, 10.30am at Loch Fyne Hotel