

**THE CONON DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD
T/A CROMARTY FIRTH FISHERY BOARD
TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2020**

**Thursday 22nd October 2020
Video Conference, 11:00am**

Present		In Attendance	
Ian Duncan (Chairman)	ID	Ross Glover (Fisheries Manager)	RG
Col Alastair Campbell (Vice Chairman)	AC	Ben Seaman (Fishery Biologist)	BS
The Earl of Aylesford (Scatwell Estate)	EA	Edward Rush (Head Bailiff)	ER
Keith Beaton (SEPA)	KB	Troels Bavnhoej (Kirkbi Estates)	TB
Ronald Munro Ferguson (Novar Estate)	RMF	Piers Cumberlege (Allt Graad)	PC
Okain McLennan (Loch Achonachie Angling Club)	OM	Andrew Easton (Alness Angling Club)	AE
William Paterson (Netsman)	WP	Peter Graham (Braham Syndicate)	PG
Christina Pirie (Alness Angling Club)	CP	Charlotte Hingston (Fairburn Estate)	CH
Dave Smith (Evanton Angling Club)	DS	Claire Macdonald	CM
Dr. Alastair Stephen (SSE)	AS	Andrew Matheson	AM
Neil Wright (Clerk)	NW	Rachel Urquhart	RU

1	APOLOGIES	Action
	None.	
2	TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS	
	<p>NW explained the procedure for the Triennial Election of the Board. The present Board was asked to resign in order to carry out the election, the old Board was duly dissolved. NW read out the proposed candidates who had returned candidate forms and explained the difference between upper and lower proprietors. The lower proprietors, of which there were two present, elected William Paterson as the sole lower proprietor. NW suggested that the qualifying upper proprietors may wish to elect all the candidates if there were no objections, this was duly agreed. The newly elected proprietors agreed a number of co-optee representatives to the Board.</p> <p>The new Board elected a Chairman and a Vice Chairman.</p>	

3	THE BOARD	
	<p>In accordance with the statutory procedures laid down in Schedule 2 of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 and subsequently stated in the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013, the following persons were elected as members of the new Board;</p> <p><u>Elected Upper Proprietors:</u></p> <p>The Earl of Aylesford (Scatwell Estate) Troels Bavnhøj (Kirkbi Estates) Col Alastair Campbell (Mandated for Fairburn Fishing syndicate) Ian Duncan (Kildermorie Estate) Ronald Munro Ferguson (Novar Estate) Okain McLennan (Mandated for the Loch Achonachie Angling Club)</p> <p>Christina Pirie (Mandated for the Alness Angling Club) Peter Graham (Mandated for the Conon Fishing Syndicate)</p> <p><u>Elected Proprietors Lower:</u></p> <p>William Paterson (Netsman - Hilton & Tarrel Stations)</p> <p><u>Elected Co-optee positions:</u></p> <p>Dr. Alistair Stephen (Present Representative of SSE) Dave Smith (Representative of Evanton Angling Club) John Urquhart (Representative of Dingwall & District Angling Club) Keith Beaton (Present Representative of SEPA)</p>	
4	CHAIRMAN	
	ID proposed and RMF seconded Alastair Campbell to be elected as Chairman, there being no other nominations he was duly elected.	
5	VICE CHAIRMAN	
	AC proposed Ronald Munro Ferguson to be elected as Vice Chairman, there being no other nominations he was duly elected.	
6	QUORUM LIMIT	
	AC noted that the quorum limit of the Board needed to be agreed. NW suggested that to meet the quorum the Board should set a limit that could be reasonably expectable in normal circumstances. At normal meetings there would usually be 5 Board members. The Board agreed that 5 members would form a quorum.	
7	MEETING CLOSE	
	The meeting was closed at 11:20am. Date of inaugural meeting, 22nd October 2020, 11:25am by Video Conference.	