

Knoydart Deer Management Group

Meeting – Monday 15 June 2015

Achnacarry Castle, Achnacarry, Spean Bridge

10.30 am

Minutes

1. Apologies
 - John Jackson, Andrew Aitchison, Eric Delwart, Scott Brown, Graham Waugh, John Crosthwaite Eyre, Rupert Soames
2. Minutes of Meeting held on 24 November 2014
 - No issues
3. Matters Arising
 - No issues
4. Estate Reports – Hind Season, mortality, proposed stag cull
 - See attachment
5. Deer Management Plan/Habitat Monitoring
 - The chairman detailed the progress made on item number 6 from the 24th November 2014 meeting. The KDMG had been through a full SNH assessment, DMP contractors tendering process and SNH / DMP grant/approval process
 - Victor Clements had been appointed as the contractor to deliver a draft KDMG DMP by November 2015, with final version complete by February 2016. He gave a detailed presentation of the process involved. The chairman and Victor also explained how KDMG would be liaising with the WKDMG with a view to working together in line with SNH requirements
6. ADMG Update
 - The issues of the annual subscriptions to the ADMG was raised by the chairman, who pointed out that the group needed a bank account
 - The chairman is making arrangements for a new account to be opened
 - Subscription reminders will be sent out in due course
7. AOB
 - The group convey their thanks to Donald Cameron of Locheil, for hosting the meeting and providing an excellent lunch for those attending

8. DONM

- 10.30, 23/11/15, at Glen Kingie Lodge. The meeting will be kindly hosted by Glen Kingie estate

9. Attendees

- Sir Patrick Grant (chairman)
- Graeme Taylor (SNH)
- Simon Laird (Achnacarry)
- Alec MacDonald (Achnacarry)
- John Cameron (Kingie)
- Linda Campbell (Kingie)
- Iain Biggart (Kilchoan)
- Colin Lavin (FE)
- Fraser MacKay (Glendessary)
- Holly Deary (SNH)
- Robert Grant (Mallaig)
- Robert Gordon (Barisdale)
- Donald Cameron of Locheil (Achnacarry)
- Victor Clements (DMP consultant)