

**MINUTES of ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING of THE RIVER UGIE DISTRICT
SALMON FISHERY BOARD held at Broad House, Broad Street, Peterhead on
Thursday, 15th May, 2014 at 2.30pm**

Present: Joseph Yule (Convenor)
Alexander Buchan for Score Group plc
David Low Mandatory for I J Booth
William Stephen for Ugie Angling Association

In Attendance: D. McLean for Bruce Milton, Clerk to the Board

Apologies: Alexander Buchan for Lunar Fishing Company Limited, Upper
Proprietors

CONVENOR'S REPORT

The Convenor noted this was the first public meeting, as required, under the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013, and was disappointed to note that no members of public had turned up. Notice of the meeting had been placed in the local newspaper (The Buchan Observer) and was included in the Board's website. The cost of advertising in the newspaper was £119 and it was agreed to review advertising costs and consider other advertising means prior to the next Annual Public Meeting.

A discussion followed on the scarcity of fish not only within the River Ugie catchment but for all Scottish rivers. Catch numbers were down indicating less fish in the river but it was hoped that the new fish counter would give hard evidence as to how many fish were in the river. The convenor proposed to discuss this further at the Board meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.45 p.m.

Joseph B Yule