

**MINUTES of ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING of THE RIVER UGIE DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD held at Broad House, Broad Street, Peterhead on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 at 2.30pm**

**Present:** Joseph Yule (Convenor)  
Alexander Buchan for Lunar Fishing Company Limited  
David Low Mandatory for Mrs Booth, Ednie  
Alexander Buchan for Score Group plc  
William Stephen for Ugie Angling Association

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

**Apologies:** None

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**MINUTES**

The Clerk read the minutes of the last public meeting which were proposed as true by D Low and seconded by J Yule.

**CONVENOR'S REPORT**

The Convenor reported that the main aims of the Board had been to promote and enhance the population of sea trout and salmon in the River Ugie. To this end the hatchery work was continuing and the fish counter was providing good data to support a sustainable amount of fish. Since last year a camera had been added to the fish counter and it was very pleasing to actually view numbers of sea trout and salmon going up the channel beside the counter.

**ACCOUNTS**

Audited accounts for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015 were available which all present had discussed at the previous board meeting.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES**

The Convenor explained the main activities for the year ahead were dealing with the new conservation regulations coming in and to monitor how it affects the River Ugie and the coastal area. There has also been a proposal from the Scottish Government for the setting up of Fishery Management Organisations which will encompass several current Boards areas and it remains to be seen what effect this will have on the current District Salmon Fishery Boards.

No questions were raised and there being no further business the meeting closed at 3.15 p.m.

*Joseph Yule*  
72/5/16