

**Minutes of a meeting of
The Ythan District Salmon Fishery Board
held on 27th January, 2022
by an online meeting due to Covid restrictions**

1. Present:

C. Wolrige Gordon	Esslemont
P. Adderton	ADDA – Machar Pool
R. Coutts	Newburgh A.C.
M. Stewart	Haddo House Angling Club
J. Pirie	Ardlogie
A. Paterson	ADDA – Ardlethen & Methlick

2. In attendance:

J. Urquhart	Dee District Fishery Board, Biologist and SLA Administrator
J. Kerr	Don District Salmon Fishery, Superintendent
M. Andrew	Clerk to the Board

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the Board meeting held on 19th January, 2021 had been circulated and were unanimously approved.

4. Matters arising from the General meeting:

The Board agreed with what had been discussed.

5. River Ythan Trust matters – request for financial assistance:

It was agreed that the Board should continue to contribute to the work of the Trust in relation to the anticipated spraying of invasive species above Gight, at the Tarty Burn and in the water of Cruden system. It was noted that part of this was being carried out through Karen Mullers' SISI project.

6. Accounts and setting the rates for 2022:

The accounts which had been audited by Messrs. J.M. Taylor were approved.

The Clerk reported that the cost of operating the Board had increased to £38,000 per annum and that in order to raise sufficient income the Rate would have to increase by 5p to £1.17 in the £. This represented an increase of 4.5% which was in line with inflation. This was agreed and approved by the Board.

7. Any other competent business:

None