

## Minutes

### Present

#### SEG Directors (Members):

Andrew Kerr (Chair), Florian Stein, Alexander Wever, Alex Koelewijn, David Bunt, Willem Dekker

#### Others (Adhering Members):

Richard Fordham (Scandinavian Silver Eel)

#### Observers:

Marie Lecomte (National Comité de Pêches)

### Apologies for absence were received from:

Peter Wood (UK Glass Eels), Peter Neusinger (Eeline UK), Niko Kwakman (Mooijer-Volendam, NL), Jacco de Groot (Palingrokerij de Groot)

### 1. Minutes of last meeting

- 1.1 Minutes of the meeting, 11 March 2020 were previously circulated and are published on the [SEG website](#).
- 1.2 The minutes were proposed as a true record by David Bunt, seconded by Alex Koelewijn.

### 2. Chairman's Report

- 2.1 Andrew Kerr presented the Chairman's report. It is published on the [SEG website](#).
- 2.2 There was some discussion about developments in the eel sector in the EU, in particular the impact of Brexit on trade and other related implications.

### 3. Financial Report

- 3.1 10 months year ending December 2019: total income £529,774. Surplus of £69,958. The accounts are published on the [SEG website](#).
- 3.2 The Accounts were produced by accountants, Axbridge Accountancy of Axbridge, UK.
- 3.3 The appointment of Axbridge Accountancy to produce the next accounts was proposed by Richard Fordham and seconded by Florian Stein.

### 4. Any other business

- 4.1 Richard Fordham said he was pleased to see the continued downward pressure on illegal exports to Asia. He was concerned about the lack of ability to trade with the UK as they had consistently provided Eves virus free Glass eels, whilst 2 of 4 shipments from France in the past were infected and had to be destroyed.
- 4.2 Florian Stein asked Marie to help collecting information about the amounts of glass eels, restocked in France annually during past years.
- 4.3 Marie Lecomte said it was a shame that only 2 of the main traders in France are SEG certified. David Bunt replied that the SEG standard was applied fairly and consistently, and that there are 3 SEG certified traders operating in France.

**The meeting closed at 14.15**