

**COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER UPDATE – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

***This item has been removed for confidentiality but will be restored when confidentiality is no longer required.***

*Scarista Wind turbine*

SSE payments are expected in July or August. SIS are being kept informed of the situation and are open to extending the interest only payment period if required.

*Horgabost Wind Turbine*

Ecodyn submitted a new planning application for the Xant turbine on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Approval should hopefully be granted by early July.

*Pairc Niseaboist- Community Building*

Delays have been caused by Scottish Water's processes for moving the water main but this is now less critical as it has been decided to break out rock on site rather than blast it.

The electricity lines have been re-routed and the old poles removed.

The application to the Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme (LCITP) has been received favourably but there are still uncertainties over match funding. Western Isles Development Trust will consider an application on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

*Plot sales*

The couple most recently offered a plot have decided to postpone placing a deposit on a site and are intending to rent in the first instance.

*Horgabost Pontoon*

The pontoon has been dismantled and damaged modules sent to Stornoway for repair. Replacement modules for those damaged beyond repair have been delivered to site.

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