

Boyton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 22 June 2015 at 7.30pm in the Parish Church Hall

Present: Councillors: Jon Bennett, Graham Clarks, Mervyn Law, Trisha Melzer, Jenny Smith, Martin Stanbury (Chairman), Bernard Strout, Ray Willis and Clerk, David Scott. Cornwall Councillor Adam Painter and five members of the public attended.

The meeting took place following a public consultation and presentation by MI Grid on their 'community' project to build 12 wind turbines in Boyton Parish: a presentation by Mr Raymond Gill also took place. Fifty eight members of the public attended many of whom took part in an extended question and answer session.

1. Apologies: None.

2. Chairman's Comments: Numerous members of the public had attended the presentation and had given their views, it was now down to Mi Grid to give their verdict on the results of their public consultation.

3. Questions from the public on Agenda Items only (Standing Orders in abeyance):

* Mr Hans White paid tribute to the work and support of the clerk particularly during Mr White's periods of chairmanship of the Parish Council when difficult issues arose. His statement was seconded by Mr Raymond Gill.

4. Written Declarations of Pecuniary Interests(DPI's) (Standing Orders in force): None.

5. Disclosures of Interest: None.

6. Planning: Approved: PA15/02488-Erection of livestock building at Higher Silverlands
Refused : PA15/03083-Solar Farm on Land at Hornacott/West Ditchin-Copies of the Decision Notices and details placed on circulation.

7. Minutes: As proposed by Councillor Bennett, seconded by Councillor Clarke and on a vote of 5 for it was, **Resolved** that those Minutes relating to the Meeting of 18 May be accepted as true and accurate record.

8. Matters Arising and Clerk's Report:

- * The Parish Council were now insured with Zurich Insurance plc.
- * Website progress(see Item 12): Thank you letters had been sent to those organisations tending the flower boxes around the village: Initial research into whether planning conditions forbade the trimming of hedges (which had been reported as trimmed) around the solar farms at North Beer (PA12/10520) and The Grange (PA15/07534) had revealed no reference in the Decision Notices. **Councillor Clarke** was to scrutinise the documentation and report next meeting.
- * To date 4 letters had been received in objection to Mi Grid's Wind Turbine Project in Boyton-this correspondence and any other letters received from parishioners would be held on file pending any planning application(s): councillors, meanwhile, would be advised of their contents and authors.
- * Parish Roads-potholes reported last meeting had been filled and Highways had been reminded to reposition a drain cover fitting to enable the school to proceed and extend car parking spaces.

9. Finance: As proposed by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Bennett and on a vote of 5 in favour it was, **Resolved** that the following payments be approved: Homeleigh Garden Centre Ltd. £64.47 (643): Cornwall Community Foundation (Boyton Solar & Wind Farm Community Fund) £2616 (644) and Zurich Insurance PLC £195.04 (645).

Details, that would enable CCF to invoice and therefore receive Boyton's Community Fund payments directly from Bluebell Investments LLP(formally Parabel North Beer Ltd) had been passed to CCF.

10. New Correspondence:

- * Mrs Lorraine Sluggett's letter (flower box opposite the school) and help required by Mr and Mrs Taylor ('central' flower box) noted. As proposed by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Bennett and on a vote of 5 in favour it was, **Resolved** that Friends of Boyton School be invited to take over as arranged with Mrs Sluggett: 'central box' Gardening Club to investigate provision of more help: box at Village Sign (Southern end)-Mr Sanders (Countrysiders) confirmed who was present at the meeting he would continue. A notice calling for volunteers was to be placed if need be on the notice boards and website.
- * Case for Cornwall letter: placed on circulation.
- * Communities and Devolution Bulletin (special planning issue)-placed on circulation.
- * Inter-parish Shoot: Saturday 1 August -Tetcott to run event: Boyton's Team would as usual be trained and organised by Messers Trevor Duke and Raymond Gill. All were welcome to attend.

11. Risk Assessments Review-deferred to next routine meeting.

12. Website Renewal:

- * As proposed by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Law and on a vote of 5 in favour it was, **Resolved** that Hugo Fox be commissioned to renew the council's website. Clerk to lead the change: set up to be achieved in slow time ensuring appropriate filtration was in place concerning any interactive input by the public. Any break in website service provision as a result of the changeover would be accepted by the council. An 'Website Under construction' notice was to be displayed: www.boytoncornwall.com would be an appropriate name if available.

13. Recruitment of new clerk

- * Clerk's initial paper as circulated-adopted as a starting point. Job description using present TOR to be drawn up and timetable agreed during September's meeting and advertisements placed on website and notice boards.

14. Member's Questions:

- * Whether the Parish Council would be a 'consultee' on a planning application concerning an overhead cable run, which, reportedly, was to be routed through West Curry, Pyworthy, Hornacott and Beardon as part of a wind turbine project at Tetcott, was to be investigated.
- * Noted that the council's next meeting Monday 6 July would be limited to planning application PA15/04704-Construction of dwellings opposite the Old Smithy and the application referred to above-post meeting note: advised as PA15/04969-Overhead Electricity Cable.
- * Balloting Mi Grid's 'Boyton Project'- rules/ cost/implications to be investigated through CALC, Cornwall Council and SLCC. An agenda item next 'routine' meeting.

15. Public Participation (Standing Orders in abeyance):

- * Noted that the wall adjacent to the Methodist Church Cemetery was leaning over-a warning notice had been placed-NFA.
- * Broadband in Boyton-there were still many areas with very limited supply:claims by providers were inaccurate and misleading.

16. Date of next Meetings: 6 July (restricted agenda-see 14) and 3 August both at 7.30pm in the Parish Church Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.36pm.

Signed.....Chairman.....Date

