



Boyton Parish Council

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Minutes – Monday, January 8, 2024

1. Councillors present

Cllrs M Stanbury (chair); J Smith (vice chair); G Willetts; M Law; J Bennett; M Wood and J Sanders.

Also in attendance: three members of the public and S Cleave, clerk. 1/1

2. Apologies

Cllr S Davey – work; Cornwall Councillor Adam Paynter – another meeting. 2/1

3. Questions from the public

One member of the public said, regarding the budget/precept, that the parish council has had a good record over the last seven years. He listed previous precept figures and said council tax payers have had a good deal. He suggested a 10% increase. He also asked for a note as to when the CIL money needs to be used. 3/1

4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

None. 4/1

5. Disclosure of Interests

None. 5/1

6. County Councillor's report

No report. 6/1

7. Minutes

Councillors approved the minutes of the council meeting held on December 11, 2023.

Proposed: J Bennett Seconded: M Wood Votes: Six in favour, one abstention 7/1

8. Matters arising / clerk's report

The clerk's report was noted. 8/1

9. Correspondence

The following correspondence was received: Week St Mary Parish Council grants information; Citizens Advice Cornwall winter newsletter; Tamar to Moor Community Area Partnership draft action notes; Cornwall Council Civility and Respect newsletter; Cornwall Council Resettlement Team message. 9/1

10. December meeting

Councillors ratified the decisions made at the December 11 meeting.

Proposed: J Bennett Seconded: M Wood Votes: Unanimous 10/1

11. Planning

11.1 Applications:

PA23/09850 – Proposed extension. Bramble Park, Boyton.

Councillors felt that the site was large enough to take the building. The scale and materials were acceptable.

Councillors voted in favour of supporting the plans.

Proposed: J Smith Seconded: J Bennett Votes: Unanimous 11/1

11.2 Decisions:

The following decisions were noted:

PA23/08424 – Replacement car port roof including fitting of solar panel array to roof and battery to external wall. Tala Park, Tala Hill, Boyton. **APPROVED**

PA23/08425 – Listed building consent for the fitting of solar panel array to carport and installation of solar battery to the external wall of main house. Tala Park, Tala Hill, Boyton. **APPROVED 12/1**

11.3 Notices:

None. **13/1**

12. Budget

The council's budget and precept for 2024/25 was discussed.

It was decided to budget £700 for future election costs, following advice received from CALC.

Proposed: M Wood Seconded: M Law Votes: Unanimous 14/1

The council set a budget of £10,561.

It was proposed to put £700 (that had previously been donated by Norman Cowling towards sporting activity in the village), along with the £334.12 (received from the winding up of the Events Committee account) into the Community Fund when it is set up.

Proposed: M Law Seconded: J Sanders Votes: Unanimous 15/1

Councillors proposed to increase the precept for 2024/25 to £7,000. This will mean that a Band D property would pay £35.67. The figure would allow the council to have five months of reserves, which is recommended.

Proposed: M Wood Seconded: J Bennett Votes: Unanimous 16/1

13. Boyton Solar and Wind Farm Community Fund

Cllr Smith said there were some members of the public who were interested in continuing as representatives for the community on a future body.

It was suggested that the Community Fund could be discussed at the February meeting, with a decision made in March. The clerk will circulate the Week St Mary Parish Council grants procedure to councillors again, and explore some other options. **17/1**

14. To discuss second speed indicator sign

The clerk will contact Perranuthnoe Parish Council for details of their speed indicator sign, and councillors will then discuss in February. **18/1**

15. Finance

15.1 Bank reconciliation – The bank reconciliation was signed.

15.2 Accounts

To note the bank account details (as of January 2, 2023):

Current account £11,605.55
Reserve account £10,794.10
CIL money (included in the above) - £11,361.29

15.3 Payments - To approve the following payments:

Payee	Details	Reference	Amount
Suzanne Cochrane	Wages – December	BACS	£440.56
HMRC	PAYE – December	BACS	£ 5.60
Suzanne Cochrane	Clerk expenses – printing, mileage. Ream of A4 paper and an A4 minutes book	BACS	£ 27.70
Cornwall Pension Fund	December contribution	BACS	£87.45
HugoFox	Website monthly payment	Direct Debit	£11.99

15.3 Income – to note income

Reserve account interest £12.42

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

Proposed: J Sanders

Seconded: M Wood

Votes: Unanimous

19/1

16. Members' announcements

Cllr Stanbury – suggested the council make an application to the county-wide CIL fund towards the bus hardstanding.

Cllr Sanders said a Beacon Park pavement extension is called for.

Cllr Law said there were potholes down towards the bridge on Braggs Hill. The clerk to report.

It was suggested that a parishioner link could be placed on the website for reporting potholes.

Cllr Willetts said the wooden slat was damaged on the seat. He has removed the wood, but it needs replacing. Cllr Willetts kindly offered to do the work. It was agreed for Cllr Willetts to carry on and bring the bill for the materials.

20/1

17. Public participation (Standing Orders suspended for this item)

None.

21/1

18. Date of next meeting

Monday, February 19 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.