

Boyton Solar and Wind Farms Community Fund

Annual Report 2017-2018

The Grants Panel of the Boyton Solar and Wind Farms Community Fund meets twice a year to consider applications for grants. Cornwall Community Fund administers this fund on behalf of Boyton Parish Council. They assess grant applications, manage our accounts and liaise with our developer donors.

The Grants Panel includes two members of Boyton Parish Council and at least three members of the community. Jenny Smith is the current Chairman and acting Secretary, other members of the Panel are: Mervyn Law, Rachel Ellacott, Ian Rocks, Darren Ruby, Phil Strout, Richard Stanbury and Gerd Willetts. If anyone in the parish would be interested in serving on the Grants Panel, please contact one of the members for further information.

In addition to our regular income from the two solar panel parks and Bennecott wind turbine, the BSWFCF received a one-off grant of £10,000 in May 2016 from Pure Energy Professionals, the developers of the Grange Farm wind turbine. CCF has reported back to the developers on behalf of the fund. We received another one-off sum this year, a repayment of £1224 from the Boyton Church Hall Committee which was a refund from the Defibrillator Company who had to install a less expensive model than in their quotation.

We considered two applications for grants during the year. The first was for £54 for trophies for Boyton Gun Club who were hosting the annual inter-parish clay pigeon shooting competition. In October, we awarded a grant of £1785 to Boyton Church Hall towards architects' fees and planning fees for the refurbishment of the toilets, inherited from Boyton Parish Council. The Church Hall is used by many community organisations and so the public will benefit from this improvement.

The next Grants Panel meeting is due to be held on Monday 16th April at 7.30pm in Boyton Church Hall. The grant fund currently stands at £21,410.

Jenny Smith
Chairman