



Boyton Parish Council

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Minutes – Monday, February 19, 2024

1. Councillors present

Cllr M Stanbury (chair); J Smith (vice chair); G Willetts; M Law; J Bennett and S Davey. Also in attendance: Cllr A Paynter, S Cleave, clerk, and three members of the public.

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2. Apologies

Cllr Wood – holiday; Cllr Sanders – prior engagement.

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3. Questions from the public

One resident spoke on the Community Fund (item 12) and felt that the rules could be simplified. He suggested that the parishioners on the council could control it as it affects the parish.

Another resident spoke on the Community Fund and said if the new system is modelled on the old, as well as having parish council on the panel, it would be good to give it more diversity, with a woman or two. He advised two meetings a year, making it as simple as possible to apply.

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4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

Cllr Willetts – item 15 table tennis.

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5. Disclosure of Interests

None.

6. County Councillor's report

Cllr Paynter spoke about the recycling centre at Launceston, noting that a wider feeder lane is being put in to deal with the new waste and food collection. He said households will be offered a wheelie bin or a seagull proof sack. Cllr Paynter said Cornwall Council is setting its council tax increase at 4.99%. Cllr Law asked Cllr Paynter if the second homes tax was to be introduced, and he said the council was waiting for the chance to do this. He noted that it will be introduced that Air BnBs will soon need planning permission for a change of use. He said there are tens of thousands of these properties in Cornwall, all unregulated. These are pushing out bed and breakfast establishments that are regulated. He felt this will be a good thing, that may help the housing crisis. Cllr Paynter will speak with Oliver Jones regarding the bus stop pull in that the council is pushing for.

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7. Minutes

Councillors approved the minutes of the council meeting held on January 8, 2024.

Proposed: J Smith

Seconded: G Willetts

Votes: Unanimous

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8. Matters arising / clerk's report

The clerk's report was noted. She will book Cllr Willetts on the upcoming CORMAC workshop.

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9. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Week St Mary Parish Council grants information; Cornwall Local Plan training briefing; Cornwall Council Town and Parish Council newsletter; Cornwall Council Affordable Housing newsletter; Tamar to Moor Community Area Partnership meeting information (March 7th). Cllr Stanbury noted an email had been received from the Countrysiders regarding a funding application towards the club's bus fares. The clerk will get in touch with the group. 8/2

10. Planning

10.1 Applications:

None. 9/2

10.2 Decisions:

The following decisions were noted:

PA23/09416 – Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (details following outline consent PA21/02085 dated 07.05.2021 for construction of a dormer bungalow. Land between Barnfield and Sutton Cottage, Boyton. APPROVED

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

APPROVED

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10.3 Notices:

None. 11/2

11. Alexander Cup

No update from North Tamerton Parish Council. The clerk to chase for a possible date.

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12. Boyton Solar and Wind Farm Community Fund

Councillors discussed the future running of the fund, including reading through some suggested guidelines. The clerk will amend and send round to councillors to be adopted at the March meeting. It was proposed that a sub committee would work as an advisory board to the parish council, who would make the final decision. This group could meet at 7pm before a parish council meeting.

Proposed: J Bennett

Seconded: J Smith

Votes: Unanimous

It was suggested to invite up to six people to be part of the advisory group. The clerk will adjust the forms, taking into account comments made, and circulate, for approval at the March meeting. 13/2

13. Boyton Primary School consultation

Councillors received correspondence from Boyton Primary School regarding consultation on the transfer of The Duchy Trust schools into An Daras Trust. The council noted the correspondence, and hoped that the school would come out stronger. 14/2

14. Launceston Town Council

Correspondence from Cllr Paul O'Brien of Launceston Town Council regarding emergency planning was noted. 15/2

15. Table tennis table

Cllr Willetts said the table tennis group was formed in Boyton in 2022, and it would like another table. He looked on Ebay and there was one for sale in Bideford priced at £100, which he purchased and hoped the council would agree to fund it. It was proposed to take £100 from the ringfenced money (given to the council for youth / sporting facilities) to pay for the table tennis table.

Proposed: M Law

Seconded: J Smith

**Votes: Five in favour,
one abstention**

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16. Second speed indicator sign

Councillors resolved to purchase a second sign (using CIL money) from Elan City (the solar version).
Proposed: M Law Seconded: S Davey Votes: Unanimous 17/2

17. Parish meeting date

The parish meeting will be held on March 11 at 7.30pm with the parish council meeting after. **18/2**

18. Finance

18.1 Bank reconciliation – The bank reconciliation was signed.

18.2 Accounts

Councillors noted the bank account details (as of February 9, 2024):

Current account £11,074.07

Reserve account £10,808.25

CIL money (included in the above) - £11,361.29

18.3 Payments -

Payee	Details	Reference	Amount
Suzanne Cochrane	Wages – January	BACS	£440.56
HMRC	PAYE – January	BACS	£ 5.60
Suzanne Cochrane	Clerk expenses – printing, mileage.	BACS	£ 20.20
Cornwall Pension Fund	January contribution	BACS	£87.45
HugoFox	Website monthly payment	Direct Debit	£11.99
G Willetts	Table tennis table	Cheque	£100.00

18.3 Income – to note income

Reserve account interest £14.15

Cornwall Council – Local Maintenance Partnership money £238.72

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

Proposed: J Smith Seconded: S Davey Votes: Unanimous 19/2

19. Members' announcements

Cllr Smith – spoke about the annual litter pick in the parish. This will be held on April 13 at 10am, to meet outside the hall. The clerk will check with Biffa to see if there is any sacks and pickers available to use.

Proposed: J Smith Seconded: M Law Votes: Unanimous 20/2

Cllr Smith noted the date of the Marie Curie coffee morning – March 2 in the hall, 10am to 12 noon.

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

A resident spoke about the Community Fund, and said the council could ask organisations for a report of how the money benefitted them afterwards, by providing a short report and photographs. He also said grants should only be given to organisations and not individuals.

21. Date of next meeting

Monday, March 11 at 7.30pm Parish Meeting followed by the ordinary parish council meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.