



Boyton Parish Council

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Minutes – Monday, April 14, 2025

In opening the meeting, Cllr Stanbury thanked everyone who has taken part in the council's debates over the last four years. He thanked Cllr Mike Wood, who left the council after moving to Somerset and Cllr Jenny Smith and Cllr Merv Law for their contributions to the council over the years. The clerk will send a letter of thanks. He noted there was an additional planning application for The Grange, that councillors agreed to consider during the meeting.

Proposed: J Bennett

Seconded: S Davey

Votes: Unanimous

1. Councillors present

Cllrs M Stanbury (chair); J Smith (vice chair); J Bennett; J Sanders; S Davey and G Willetts. Also in attendance: S Cleave, clerk and four members of the public.

2. Apologies

Cllr Law – holiday; Cllr Paynter – holiday.

3. Questions from the public

None.

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

None.

5. Disclosure of Interests

None.

6. Cornwall Councillor's report

No report.

7. Minutes

With a couple of amendments, councillors approved the minutes of the council meeting held on March 10, 2025.

Proposed J Bennett

Seconded: J Smith

Votes: Unanimous

8. Matters arising / clerk's report

The clerk's report was noted. Cllr Bennett met with Highways about the footway. He said they informed him the white lining around the village would be carried out soon. Cllr Sanders asked whether a white line could be added outside the three new bungalows, along the boundary with the road. The clerk will ask Oliver Jones.

9. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Cornwall Council Town and Parish Council newsletter; Cornwall Council Affordable Housing newsletter.

10. Planning

10.1 Applications:

PA25/02093 - Renovation of listed cottage (includes new gable wall and thatched roof). Replace rear additions with lean-to extension (includes partial demolition of listed building). Two storey rear extension. Glazed link to front of the property. Talastone Gardens, North Beer Lane, Boyton.

PA25/02094 - Listed Building Consent for Renovation of listed cottage (includes new gable wall and thatched roof). Replace rear additions with lean-to extension (includes partial demolition of listed building). Two storey rear extension. Glazed link to front of the property. Talastone Gardens, North Beer Lane, Boyton

Councillors considered both applications together. Councillors applauded the applicants for taking on the restoration of this derelict building, which used to be a talking point of the village. Council noted the immense amount of work the applicant has done to reach the statutory obligations. If this application is not supported, this building will be lost and the local heritage of the parish will be lost forever. The council noted that there will be considerable changes to the building, but if not supported the building will be lost. Councillors voted to send these comments to the planning department.

Proposed: J Smith

Seconded: S Davey

Votes: Unanimous

Councillors voted to support the applications.

Proposed: J Smith

Seconded: J Bennett

Votes: Unanimous

PA25/02684 – Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA11/01592 dated 24/02/2012, namely 1) Replace defective modules and replace with larger modules. Land north west of The Grange, Boyton.

Councillors voted to support the application. Councillors would like to know whether the old panels are disposed of or re-used.

Proposed: J Bennett

Seconded: S Davey

Votes: Unanimous

10.2 Decisions:

The following decisions were noted:

PA25/01231 – Certificate of lawfulness to confirm continued residential use, as an independent residential dwellinghouse use, of the chalet known as Beardon Mead without complying with condition 1 (holiday use only) on decision 2004/00573 is lawful. Beardon Mead, Boyton **GRANTED (CAADs, PIPs and LUs ONLY)**

PA25/01827 – Electricity Act 1989: The Overhead Lines (Exemption) (England and Wales) Regulations 2009. Taylor View, Boyton. **CLOSED – ADVICE GIVEN**

PA24/08782 – Proposed shepherd's hut for holiday use. Talastone Cottage, Boyton. **WITHDRAWN**

PA25/01999 – Electricity Act 1989: The Overhead Lines (Exemption) (England and Wales) Regulations 2009. Bradridge Court, Boyton. **CLOSED – ADVICE GIVEN**

PA25/01346 – Prior notification of agricultural or forestry development for tractor and implement storage, along with hay and feed on occasions. Dunns Farm, Boyton **PRIOR APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED (PA/AF/TEL/DEM)**

PA25/01844 – Prior approval for change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling. Land north west of Langdon Farm, Boyton **CLASS Q PRIOR APPROVAL (NO PC CONSULTATION)**

10.3 Notices:

None.

11. Sewage capacity

Councillors received a reply from South West Water in relation to the capacity of the sewage works.

Councillors noted the reply, and deduced from the response that the works was either at capacity or close to it. The clerk will ask South West Water about future plans and whether the works could cope with the addition of one or two houses, as opposed to a larger development.

12. VE Day anniversary plans

Plans for the anniversary were discussed and currently include a coffee morning in the Church from 10am to 12 noon; a cream tea at the Chapel (time TBC); a bring and share supper and bar in the hall and the lighting of the beacon at 9.30pm. Residents are advised to keep an eye on the noticeboard and website for updates.

13. Election

It is an uncontested election in Boyton with five nominees. There will be an election for the Launceston North and North Petherwin Ward for the Cornwall Council seat.

14. Community Area Partnership reply

Correspondence from Chris Sims, Community Link Officer for the Tamar to Moor Community Area Partnership was noted.

15. Taxi and Private Hire Consultation

Councillors noted this but decided to make no comment.

16. Battery for speed indicator sign

Cllr Willetts had contacted the manufacturer about the faulty device, who suggested the battery needed changing. Two prices were given, one for a battery like for like and one of a lower spec. Councillors proposed to purchase the like for like battery. Cllr Willetts will action.

Proposed: J Bennett

Seconded: S Davey

Votes: Unanimous

17. Updates from Cornwall Highways

Councillors received a reply from Cornwall Highways on the pavement plans and bus hardstanding cost. Councillors asked the clerk if she would check if the parish council could use another contractor, and if they had to be approved by Highways. The clerk will seek quotes from some other contractors. Clarification will also be sought as to whether the work would need a planning application, and or planning approval from Highways and who would be responsible for future maintenance. The clerk will also look into how the parish council could apply to the county CIL fund. It was proposed that the council seek alternative quotes, and the above be actioned.

Proposed: J Smith

Seconded: J Sanders

Votes: Unanimous

18. Finance

18.1 Bank reconciliation – The bank reconciliation and statements were signed by Cllr Bennett.

18.2 Accounts

Councillors noted the bank account details (as of April 7, 2025):

Current account	£ 15.12 (precept payment imminent)
Reserve account	£ 6,678.18
<i>CIL money</i>	£ 8,844.42
Community Fund	£53,014.52

18.3 Payments - To approve the following payments:

Payee	Details (April)	Reference	Amount
Suzanne Cochrane	Wages including HMRC – March	BACS	As per contract
Cornwall Pension Fund	March contribution	BACS	As per contract
Suzanne Cochrane	Clerk expenses – printing and mileage	BACS	£ 32.49
HugoFox	Website monthly payment	Direct Debit	£11.99
S Cochrane	New financial year stationery	BACS	£24.30
Cornwall ALC Limited	CALC and NALC annual subs	BACS	£310.67

Boyton Church Hall	Hall hire x 11 (eight x £11 and three x £13)	BACS	£127.00
Tavistock Computer and Network Solutions	ESET computer security renewal	BACS	£42.00

18.4 Income – to note income

CIL account interest (March)	£ 25.76
Community Benefit Fund account interest March)	£122.19
Reserve account interest (March)	£ 7.08

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

Proposed: J Smith Seconded: G Willetts Votes: Unanimous

18.5 Internal audit

Councillors proposed to ask Linda Coles to act as internal auditor for this year’s AGAR.

Proposed: J Smith Seconded: S Davey Votes: Unanimous

19. Members’ announcements

Cllr Sanders noted there were lights on each night at Little Sutton. The clerk was asked to go back to planning enforcement to raise parishioners’ concerns and ask them to investigate.

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

One member of the public spoke on the planning application PA25/02684. He said the panels have an expected life expectancy of 25 years, and now one third of the panels are no longer effective. He had not heard of this before. Another resident asked if there was anything planned for children during the VE Day anniversary. Councillors said this could possibly be covered at school, but the plans were more or less sorted for the parish. Cllr Bennett asked about the recent meeting in the parish regarding a community shop. A resident said it is very early stages and they need a site, which is still under negotiations.

21. Date of next meeting - Monday, May 12, 2025 at 7.30pm – Annual Meeting of the Council.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.