

## BOARD MEETING

Wednesday 26 February 2020 at 7pm

### Hall for Gwinear

**Directors:** Cathy Woolcock (Chair), Nicolas Herian, Rosemarie Norman, Jenny Tovey,  
Diana Hall and Janet McEwan

**In attendance:** Kerry Horner (Administrator)

**Apologies:** All directors were present.

Item	Minute	Action
1.	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest in relation to agenda items.	
2.	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> The minutes of previous meeting held 6 November 2019 copies of which were circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.	
3.	<b>Matters Arising</b> 3.1 minutes 26.06.19 item 7: CW emailed Duchy College to enquire if GGSCF could set up a bursary, a reply is still awaited. GGSCF could commit an amount towards fees and allocate an amount per annum towards it. Directors discussed contacting another establishment and funding a student from Gwinear/Gwithian parish which would mean the funds would go out of Cornwall. <b>Directors agreed</b> to approach the Duchy again. NH to contact Nick Taylor Conservation and Countryside Course Manager at Duchy College. 3.2 JT spoke to Vanessa Luckwell, Hayle and St Ives Community Network contact who was not optimistic due to GGSCF's finite funding criteria in a small geographical area.	NH
4.	<b>Administrator's Report</b> <b>Directors received</b> the administrators report up Feb 2020. 4.1 <b>Directors advised</b> contacting a former applicant to see if they are still interested in the director position. 4.2 Administrator to send images to JM who will look at creating a leaflet. 4.3 Large cheques have been obtained from the bank to be presented to Connor Downs and Gwinear Schools when their projects are complete. Administrator to organise photographs from Carnhell Green post office. CW to forward press and photograph mailing list to Administrator. CW will present the cheques, all directors will be invited to attend. 4.4 Plaques to be sent to GRA for Gwithian boardwalk funding and Sandcastles play group decoration funding. 4.5 Biffa have given the Hall for Gwinear's porch build a conditional offer of £40,847.40 and will apply directly to GGSCF for 10%. CH joined the meeting at 19.29 and explained the GGSCF breakdown, £2K agreed for architects planning fees. CH left at 19.34.	CW KH/JM KH ALL KH

5. **Financial Update**

Financial accounts to date were circulated prior to the meeting. Balance at bank confirmed at £80,423.76, grant payments due at £15,000, therefore funds available at £73,773.76.

6. **Altering Bank Account Signatories**

**Directors passed a resolution** to remove RR as signatory and add KH as signatory on the Barclays bank account. **Directors asked** if 2 signatories were remaining, NH confirmed they were. **All directors were in favour.** CW/NH signed Barclays Mandate Change forms. KH to complete mandate change forms and identify herself at Barclays. KH

7. **Solar Parks Schedule of Payments Agreement**

CW approached Riviera Produce regarding advice for solar parks schedule of payments due for renewal. Riviera Produce consume all the electricity they make and suggested we speak to Francis Clark, directors are presuming Riviera will pay for the advice. CW/KH

8. **Permaculture**

JM attended a 2 week design course on the history and origins of permaculture which is a design concept based on systems theory underpinned by the ethics of ‘people care, earth care and fair share’ as an holistic practice. The design system is maximum yield for minimum effort with a no dig approach, sowing shallow, choosing the type of seed carefully with nitrogen fixers, the roots move up and down so that the soil is protected from erosion. Wilding is almost an element of permaculture. JM has organised and will shadow teach at a weekend introductory course at Mount Pleasant Eco Park, costs have been kept low by arranging it with Porthtowan and Extension Rebellion group, the course is fully booked. JM is attending a further 12 week full time course in the autumn. Directors discussed how permaculture can be incorporated into GGSCF and considered sponsoring bursaries, approaching small holdings and allotments, bringing tutors into the area and agreed the benefit is for the individual and ideally should be in the parish halls and parish council. To give parishioners the opportunity to learn about permaculture, JM will bring a community led proposal from the Residents Association to the board.

9. **AOB**

**Directors discussed** land purchasing and tree planting. JT to contact the Forest for Cornwall to see if an association is viable. JT

10 **Next Meetings:**

AGM: 8 July 2020 at 7pm at the Hall for Gwinear  
Board Meeting: 8 July 2020, thereafter

The chairman thanked all those present for their attendance and the meeting closed at 20.20.

Signed ..... Date .....