

Minutes of WREN Board Meeting
8th May 2018, Wadebridge Town Hall, Wadebridge

WREN Board Members present: Tony Faragher (TF), Rick Johnson (RJ), Kevin Smith (KS).
WREN ops assistant: Leonie McGregor (LM), (minutes).
Apologies: Chris Coonick (CC), Amanda Pennington (AP),

Meeting started 09:15, closed 10.30.

The Board approved the minutes of the last meeting held on 11th April 2018.

1. **Finance:** Alexander & Co.'s final invoice has now been presented and paid. LM to contact Richard Alexander to clarify whether the VAT is reclaimable by WREN.
It was agreed to renew the directors' and officers' insurance at the same level as previously. Whilst the scale of activity is currently modest, this is to ensure that WREN remains covered for any claims for past activities which were much larger in scale.
WREN's loan to WEC will be formally raised at the next WEC board meeting on 7th June.
2. **Communications:** KS is aiming to send out the next newsletter on about 21st May, just ahead of the General Data Protections Regulations (GDPR) coming into force. The newsletter will contain a reminder to consent for GDPR, as well as the St Breock Fund awards results, advance notice of the Middle Treworder Fund opening, and some items from Fully Charged. Those who have already given their consent will receive a separate email confirming this.
3. **Community Funds:** Funds are awaited from REG so that the awards can be paid. Wadebridge Coasters had been paid early so that Sensational Cycling Sunday could go ahead, however in the event the venue was not available and TF has agreed that the award may be retained until the rearranged date in September. Proof of licence to use land subject to St Columb ACE Academy's project is awaited.
4. **Clean Earth Energy (CEE) Community Fund:** The possible new CEE fund of £9,000 per year is delayed following staff changes at CEE. The plan was to run this fund at a separate time from the other 2, but this may not now be possible.
5. **Future Projects:** CC has arranged to present her team's findings at a workshop with the WREN Board on Wednesday 6th June at 10 am. This is to set the aims, objectives and priorities for any plan and to assess the appetite for scale of projects.
6. **Recycling and waste reduction.** Following on from the idea to consult academics in this field, Peter McGregor arranged for TF to read one of his student's dissertation on the subject. It was agreed to ask the student if she would be willing to run a local workshop open to the public organised by WREN in partnership with Mark Wilsher's group. It was also agreed that the student would be offered a fee of £200 to deliver the workshop, and £100 budgeted for event costs.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 13th June, 9 15 am at The Goods Shed.

(then 11th July, 8th August, 12th September, 10th October, 14th November, 12th December 2018)