

Minutes of WREN Board Meeting
10th July 2019, The Goods Shed, Wadebridge

Present Kevin Smith (KS), Rick Johnson (RJ) Tony Faragher (TF)

Apologies Leonie McGregor, Amanda Pennington, Chris Coonick (CC)

1. The Minutes of the meeting of 12th June 2019 were agreed as a true record.
2. Matters arising ; Next Generation Fund has opened for round 2. KS TF and CC to meet to discuss. It was noted that the Ball development had had lost its appeal against planning refusal. been
3. We agreed to hold Board meetings in the evening from now on. The next meeting will be Tuesday 20th August at 7 pm, venue to be confirmed.
4. KS fed back on the LEM seminar that he attended on 3rd July. This was aimed at business and commercial organisations to help them extract value from an LEM. Flexibility responses (frequency, fast reserve, short term response) will be able to be traded on a flexibility platform. 1 MW was the minimum quantity that could be traded, making this an unsuitable programme for WREN to be involved in.
5. KS and TF fed back on seminar organised by Cornwall New Energy. The seminar looked in detail at a software product (EMU) being developed by Unity Power. WREN indicated its willingness to be involved in a pilot scheme.
6. It was agreed in principle to support the campaign being run by Power to Change. Details of the campaign had been circulated by email prior to the Board Meeting. The campaign is for a Private Members Bill which will enable community energy groups to more easily set up as suppliers (thus enabling them to trade electricity locally), by reducing the costs and bureaucracy of supplying energy locally so as to be proportionate to the scale of the energy group's supply operation.
7. Recruitment of Board Members. We agreed that we would advertise mid to late September with applications open to the end of October.
8. Date of next meeting Tuesday 20th August at 7pm, venue to be confirmed. Dates of future meetings to be decided at that meeting.