

**MINUTES OF AN ADDITIONAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE
HALL COOMBE BISSETT AT 7.00 PM ON WEDNESDAY 22nd JUNE 2016 (unconfirmed).**

Present: Councillors: D Rattue, D Hobson, P Crosthwaite, S Gledhill, A Bird and G Bundy. Mrs D James (Clerk).

25 Apologies for absence: Cllr. C Chelu.

26 Declarations of interest: There were no additional declarations of interest in the item on the agenda.

27 Acceptance of community benefit offered by British Solar Renewables: D Rattue announced that an offer of a one-off good will gift of £20,000 had been made by British Solar Renewables (BSR), following a meeting last month with their commercial director and their head of planning. D Rattue's assessment of the gift was that this would be the final offer and there would be no further negotiation. An informal, comprehensive meeting of the Parish Council took place several days later when it was unanimously considered to accept but only after holding an advertised additional parish council meeting with the opportunity for members of the public to attend. S Gledhill proposed, A Bird seconded and all agreed that the offer be accepted. S Gledhill had drafted an application with criteria for village groups, organisations and individuals to apply for a grant. There will also be the opportunity for parishioners to submit ideas of how the money could be spent. Although BSR have not made any conditions, they are keen for the fund to be spent on a specific project that will benefit the community. This will be an agenda item for next month's parish council meeting, giving further detail.

28 The meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

