

# Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm Community Fund Consultation

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#### Introduction

Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm is currently under construction by RWE Innogy UK Ltd (RWE). For more than 15 years RWE has provided a variety of Community Investment Packages in association with their wind farms, primarily supporting the communities neighbouring their sites. In the case of Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm, a community fund of £90,000 per annum will be made available once the wind farm is fully operational, and for each year of its operational lifetime (up to 25 years). This flexible funding has the potential to significantly benefit local communities.

#### Methodology

This consultation was planned by RWE with support from representatives of the Parish Councils closest to the wind farm: Knowstone, Rackenford and Creacombe, Rose Ash and Bishops Nympton, and Catalyst, the in-house consultancy service provided by Devon Communities Together.<sup>1</sup> RWE proposed that these Parishes, plus the neighbouring Parishes of Oakford, Molland, East & West Anstey, Meshaw and East Worlington, form the initial area of benefit for the fund.

The survey was printed and delivered to all properties within the parishes of Knowstone, Rackenford and Creacombe, Rose Ash, Bishops Nympton and Oakford, coordinated by the local Parish Council. The paper version of the survey allowed multiple residents in the same property to respond to the survey.

An online version of the survey was also available.

#### Catalyst

Catalyst was commissioned to support the writing of the survey and undertake the data analysis and report writing so that it was independent of the local parish councils and RWE.

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<sup>1</sup> http://www.devoncommunities.org.uk/

#### **Summary of Key Findings**

#### **Priority Projects:**

The survey highlights a number of projects that local residents consider to be of high importance, these include:

- 1. Improved broadband speed to all residents within the local area.
- 2. Maintain and improve community buildings, particularly village halls.
- 3. Identified a need for a community building within Rackenford.
- 4. Community and public transport improvements and increased services.
- 5. Younger residents and families identified needs for more activities for young families and young people.

There were many other projects highlighted through the process. These are included within the Appendices for this report.

#### **Fund Management:**

The survey highlights the following preferences for how the fund should be administered:

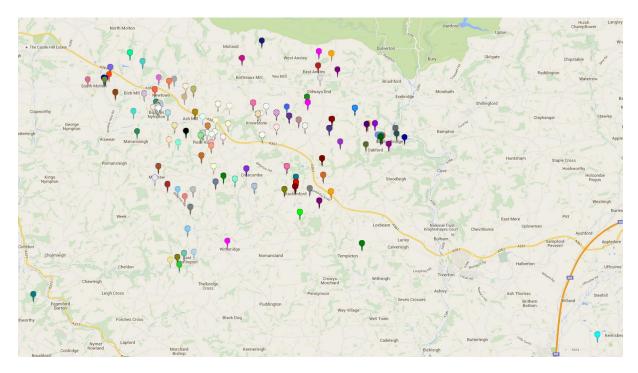
- The majority of respondents wanted the fund to be managed by an independent organisation with a panel of local residents.
- The fund should prioritise projects closer to the wind farm.
- There is a slight preference for the entire fund to be spent within the year.

#### **Findings**

In total 535 individual residents, referred to as respondents throughout this report, answered the survey; 437 using the paper survey, on 306 forms, and 98 completed the survey online.

#### 1. Postcode

The first question asked people for their postcode. 515 respondents provided their postcode. Below is a plot of these postcodes, showing the spread of respondents across the local area.



#### FIGURE 1

[Please note each 'pin' may represent multiple respondents. There is no colour coding; the various colours make the 'pins' easier to identify.]

There are two respondents with postcodes from further afield than the immediate Batsworthy area. These only represent two respondents views and therefore would not significantly influence the overall picture, and may have resulted from an incorrectly input postcode. Their responses have therefore been included within this report.

#### 2. Parish

The spread of respondents across local parishes was:

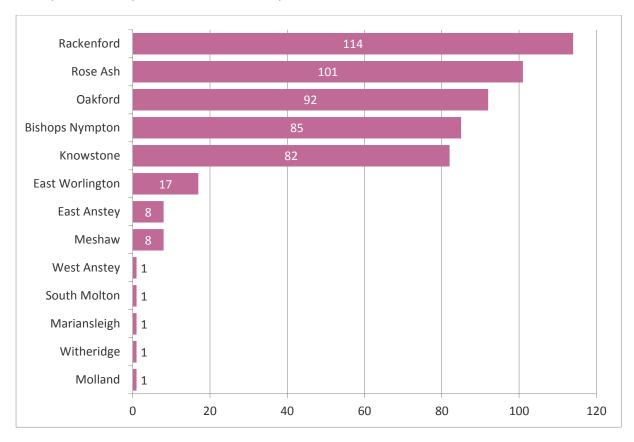


FIGURE 2<sup>2</sup>

23 respondents did not supply a named parish.

Clearly the parishes where the survey was hand-delivered have had a significantly stronger response. The strong response from 5 parishes most closely involved with the project so far will have an impact on the answers to the following questions. This will be highlighted within this report at relevant points.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The figures in white, included on this chart and all subsequent charts are the number of respondents choosing that option.

For the five parishes with a strong response, the following table shows what percentage of the local parish responded:

Parish	Respondents	Residents <sup>3</sup>	Percentage
Rackenford and Creacombe	117	330	36%
Rose Ash	102	298	35%
Oakford	93	358	26%
Bishops Nympton	86	955	9%
Knowstone	80	226	35%

FIGURE 3

#### 3. Age Bracket

The age profile of respondents was:

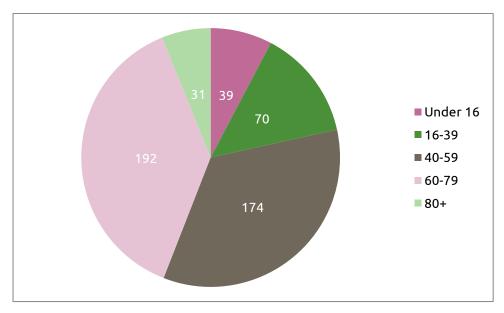


FIGURE 4

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Data from Census 2011.

The following table compares the age profile of respondents to that of North Devon:

	Respondents	North Devon <sup>4</sup>
Under 16	8%	16%
16-39	14%	26%
40-59	34%	28%
60-79	38%	24%
80+	6%	6%

#### FIGURE 5

There is a slight bias in responses toward more elderly residents. This may have an effect on survey responses, and where this is considered to be the case it is highlighted within the report.

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 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Data from Census 2011. North Devon is chosen for comparison because most of the parishes are within this local authority area.

### 4a. Which, if any, of the following types of projects would you benefit from?

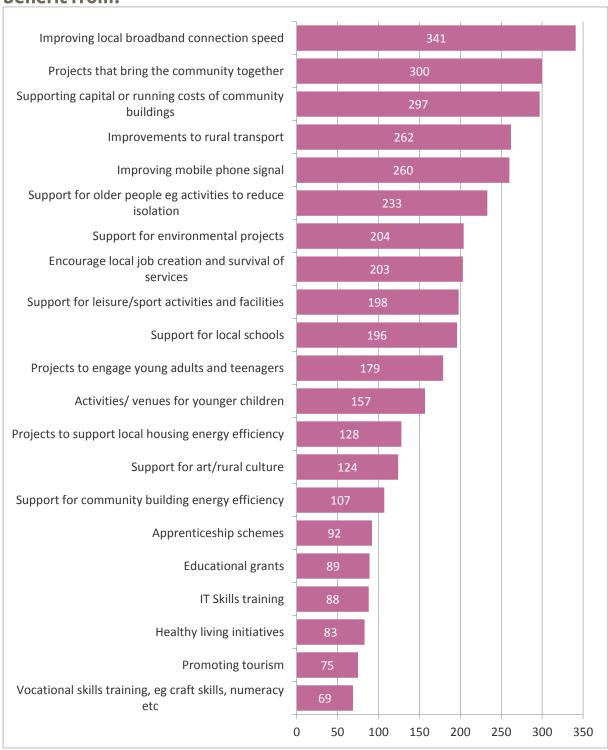
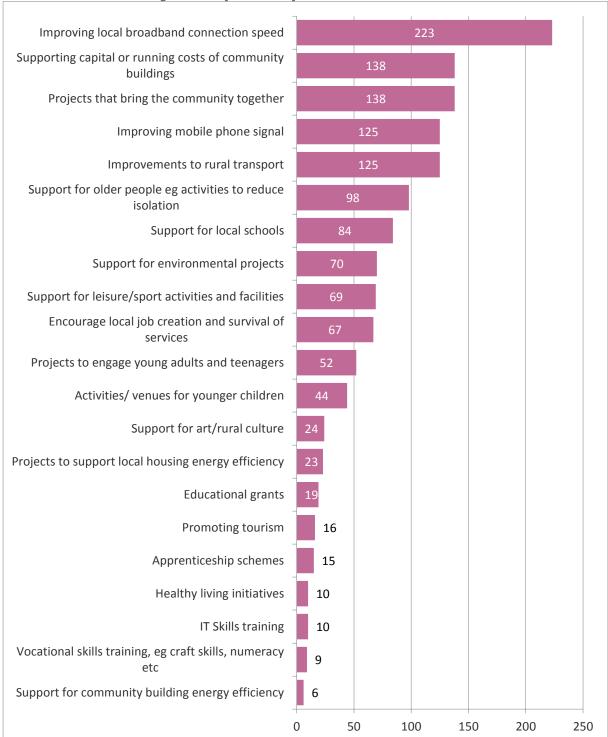


FIGURE 6

The responses to this question are analysed alongside the responses to question 4b.

#### 4b. Please choose your top three priorities from this list:



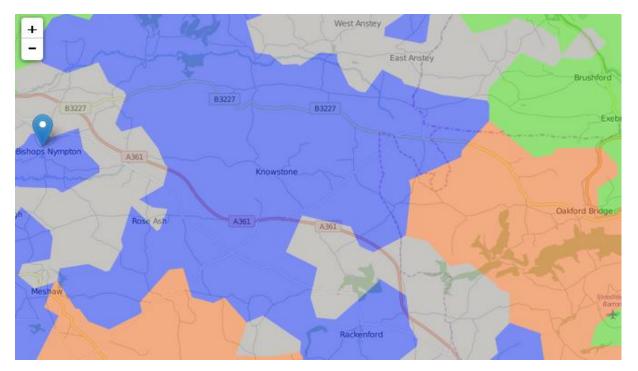
#### FIGURE 7

There is close correlation between responses to questions 4a and 4b. The top 5 correlate well with respondents' responses to questions 5 and 6 as well.

Broadband is clearly a priority issue for local residents. 64% of respondents identified it as a type of project they would benefit from, and 42% as one of their top three priorities.

#### **Broadband**

Broadband across Devon and Somerset is currently being upgraded to enable superfast broadband for 90% of households within the two counties. This is phase 1 of the project, and the current situation for parishes around Batsworthy Wind farm is show below<sup>5</sup>:



#### FIGURE 8

Blue areas are currently under review by BT Openreach to ascertain the best method for establishing superfast broadband. Those in orange are 'coming soon' and those areas that are green should already be connected. Phase 1 of this project, i.e. all those areas coloured in the map above should be connected by 2017. Those areas that are grey are outside of phase 1 of this programme.

However there are two further phases of the programme planned which should see 100% of the region covered by superfast broadband:

"All premises within the CDS [Connecting Devon and Somerset] intervention area that currently receive less than 2Mbps should benefit from the programme through an upgrade of speeds to at least 2Mbps by the end of 2016.

We also have an overall goal of 100% of premises having access to high speed fibre broadband by the end of 2020.

In addition to this we are already seeking solutions for reducing the "final 10%" of premises that will not initially be reached by high-speed fibre broadband. Such solutions include our bid to the Superfast Extension Programme for which we

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Data from: <a href="http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/where-when/">http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/where-when/</a>

have been provisionally allocated an additional £22.7 million for extending superfast coverage to 95% of premises by the end of 2017."

#### Younger People and Families

Whilst younger respondents (under 40) had broadband as their main priority, the remainder of their top five priorities differ from the overall picture:

- Activities/venues for younger children;
- Support for leisure/sport activities and facilities;
- Support for local schools;
- Projects to engage young adults and teenagers.

#### Older Residents

For respondents who were 80+ their priorities were not broadband, but:

- Improvements to rural transport;
- Improving mobile phone signal.

# 5. Please list any existing local projects (in your parish or across neighbouring parishes) which you think could benefit from the Batsworthy Wind Farm Community Fund?

Across all respondents the most common existing projects identified that could benefit from funding were village or parish halls, and community transport projects. Specifically the Exe Valley community bus was mentioned.

No other specific projects were mentioned consistently. A list of all responses, organised by the five main parishes is provided in Appendix A.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/fags/

## 6. Can you identify any potential new projects (in your parish or across neighbouring parishes) which could be established through the support of the Batsworthy Wind Farm Community Fund?

A range of new projects were identified, the most popular were:

- A new project to improve broadband across the area;
- A village hall/community building for Rackenford;
- If possible, purchasing Stag Hall for community use;
- Maintaining, improving and developing new footpaths and/or bridleways between communities and facilities;
- Improving local/community transport.

Again, many specific projects were suggested by a small number of individuals. A complete list of responses, again listed by parish is available in Appendix B.

Overall these projects correlate well with the priorities respondents identified in questions 4a and 4b.

## 7. In which geographical area do you think projects supported by the fund should be located?



#### FIGURE 9

Clearly most respondents, 61% of all respondents and 68% of those that answered this question would want the projects supported by the fund to be located within the 10 parishes.

There were also a significant number of additional comments in the survey that the priority of the fund should be further geographically focussed on three parishes: Rose Ash, Rackenford and Creacombe, and Knowstone. Those making this suggestion were almost all residents of those parishes. Responses to the next question also reflect this trend.

8. Do you think projects closest to the wind farm should be given extra priority?

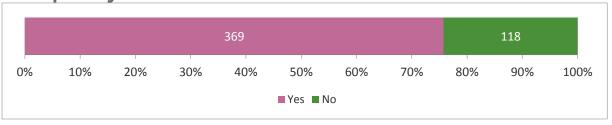


FIGURE 10

69% of all respondents and 76% of those that answered this question believe projects closest to the wind farm should be given extra priority.

Those parishes that are located closer to the wind farm expressed a stronger preference for projects closer to the wind farm to be given extra priority:

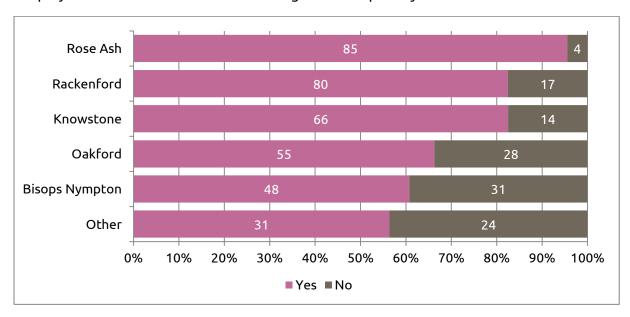
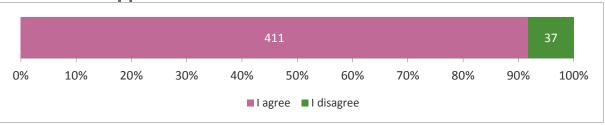


FIGURE 11

9. RWE proposes the fund is administered by an independent organisation with appropriate experience and all decisions on the allocation of funds made by a panel of local people. What do you think of this approach?



#### FIGURE 12

77% of respondents and 92% of those that answered this question agreed with RWE's proposal for the fund to be administered by an independent body, with a panel of local people.

49 respondents also added an explanation why they did not agree or their preferred method.

Of those that disagreed, example comments that reflect the majority were:

"Let locals decide."

"Local people know what is needed."

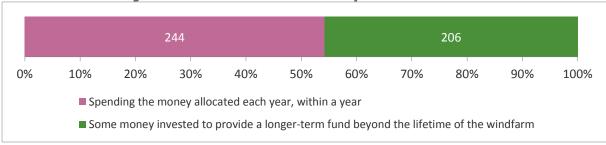
"Money would be wasted on administrative costs. Better to have a trust administered by an elected committee of local residents."

Of those that agreed, the comments were endorsing the process because it would involve a degree of impartiality and objectivity:

"Previous experience and impartiality."

"A neutral party with no bias in the area, who have experience of running grants and or funding."

10. How would you like to see the Fund spent?



#### FIGURE 13

Responses to this question are evenly divided. There is also no discernible age or geographic preference.

#### Invitation to join the Fund panel

96 people have expressed an interest in being on the Fund panel. Their details are safely stored and will be available, independent of their survey answers, when a decision about how the fund will be managed has been made and a process for applying to be on the panel established.

#### **Additional Comments**

120 additional comments were also recorded as part of this process.

Many of the comments confirm already identified priorities for funding, including:

- Improving broadband;
- Village halls and community buildings;
- Particularly a new building for Rackenford;
- Weighting the funding to support parishes closest to the wind farm, namely Rackenford and Creacombe, Rose Ash and Knowstone.

Some new suggestions were also made for funding through these comments, the most popular were:

- Money off electricity for local people;
- Compensation for homes that have been devalued;
- Improve local roads to fill potholes and make safer;
- Wildlife and environmental projects;
- Preserve historic buildings, particularly churches.

#### Appendix A

#### **Bishops Nympton**

Support building and funding Bishops Nympton social club at the new parish hall

Support building and funding Bishops Nympton Social Club and the new parish hall

Open Church community project Social Club Community lunches Transport

Social Club at Bishops Nympton Hall Open Church project at Bishops Nympton Church

Skittle teams in the village have to travel an 8 mile round trip just to play their home matches. It needs rectifying

Bishops Nympton is the largest parish in the county without a village pub. It's a priority.

Replacing the village pub. A village of its size without a social gathering place is unsustainable

A well-attended meeting in 2011 identified (a community run replacement pub) as their no 1 priority

Bishops Nympton lost its village pub in 2011. Plans are well advanced to build a community run replacement funded by a bank loan.

Bishops Nympton Parish Church Open Church Community Project Bishops Nympton Parish hall Social Club

Support for local halls

Support for local hall

Bishops Nympton Village Hall social club

Bishops Nympton Village Hall social cub

Community buildings

Village halls

Parish hall Social Club

Bishops Nympton school projects

BISHOPS NYMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

BISHOPS NYMPTON
PARISH HALL EXTENSION

BISHOPS NYMPTON
PARISH HALL EXTENSION

Bishops Nympton Parish Hall Social Club Project

Open Church community project

open Church community project

Improving broadband

All 3 of us would like to help reduce the loan for Bishops Nympton Hall Trust. A fantastic building/community facility - without loan repayments there could be lots more improvements. Bishops Nympton Community Shop needs support too.

Community shop - perhaps paid full-time manager

Community shop

Bishops Nympton School

Bishops Nympton Village

Hall

Bishops Nympton village

shop

Church project St Mary's

Bishops Nympton social club

Building and running cost of proposed Bishops Nympton social club

Social club extension to parish hall

Youth centre South Molton

Community shop

Community shop

Local school projects, outside learning, support upkeep of local churchyards

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Lunches at the BN village hall for older people

Outside learning at Bishops Nympton school

Parish hall

Contribution of funds for a new village pub - no pub exists in village. Aimed at helping to bring the community together.

#### **Knowstone**

The community minibus service to Tiverton,
Barnstaple and South
Molton

Children's sports/playground area for Knowstone

Village hall

Village hall

Knowstone parish hall and Church

Faster broadband

High speed broadband. We have the wires but apparently not enough electricity!

High speed broadband

Broadband service; community bus

Support church and parish hall buildings. Broadband! Community bus

Knowstone Parish Hall; Knowstone Parish Church; community bus

Knowstone bell tower - restoration

Knowstone Village Hall Knowstone/Rose Ash garden club

Knowstone village hall, Rose Ash and Knowstone garden club

Knowstone Village Hall

Additional facilities for Knowstone Village Hall

Community bus

Community bus. Upkeep of Knowstone Parish Hall Village shops Community bus

Exe Valley bus

The community minibus service to Tiverton, Barnstaple and South Molton

"own" man to fill potholes without closing the roads

Village hall, community bus footpaths

Transport

Community bus service restoration of reredos in St Peter's Church Knowstone

Community bus service renovation of church bells St Peter's Knowstone

improve mobile phone signal

In conjunction with the erection of the wind turbines, erect mobile phone masts to improve coverage

Knowstone parish hall community bus

Knowstone Parish Hall community bus

Exe Valley community bus

Exe valley community bus project, parish hall local keep fit groups

LAND FOR PARISH USE COMPLETELY REPAIR BYWAY 12

BUYING LAND FOR THE USE OF THE PARISH AND PROVIDE A PLAYGROUND FOR THE YOUNG

Ongoing support for projects at Knowstone

Parish Hall e.g. caretaker. Defibrillator for Knowstone Parish

Villages in action

Local minibus services

I'm not aware of any groups that fund raise locally.

Knowstone village hall. Rose Ash and Knowstone Garden club.

#### Oakford

Early Alzheimer Group in Bampton (see Bampton surgery)

Village hall repairs in Oakford

Village hall

Oakford village hall repairs and upgrade

Oakford village hall repairs and upgrade

Oakford village hall

East Anstey School

Oakford Community Hall could do more if it had more funds

Broadband

Broadband

High speed broadband Exe Valley Community bus

High speed broadband

Market bus

Bampton church

Bampton library

Bampton library

Rackenford parish could use support for their village

school

Building a new hall at Rackenford. They haven't got one

Footpaths Exe Valley Community bus

Exe Valley community bus

Exe Valley community bus

Oakford village hall roof

Oakford village hall roof

Oakford car park, Oakford

community bus

Provision of extra parking on the edge of the village

Re-roofing of Oakford Village Hall

Oakford village hall roof

Oakford village hall roof

village hall and community bus

Support Oakford Village

Hall

**Exe Valley Community Bus** 

#### Rackenford and Creacombe

Purchase Stag Inn

The potential purchase of the Stag Inn to create an integrated community resource

What are existing projects?

Church

Church

Building village hall Maintenance of the Church Preserve pub Supporting a village festival (music...beer..)

Maintenance of the Church. Build village hall. Preserve the pub

Refurbishment of church

Refurbishment of church

Resurface car park adjacent to tennis court (Rackenford)

Community shop/cafe

Rackenford Community Shop

Rackenford Community Shop

Too many potholes on roads

Improve the surface of the roads everywhere

Improve surface of local roads

Regain the Skittle Alley and Function Room to the Stag Inn as before

Rackenford Park needs to be made nicer, Rackenford School and Rackenford Shop. (Bishops Nympton shop, hall and school also) Rackenford Play Park needs to be updated and maintained, Rackenford Community Shop, Rackenford School, Bishops Nympton Hall, Bishops Nympton Community Shop, Bishops Nympton School

Church roof repairs in Rackenford, purchase of pub, shop improvement, school improvement

Rackenford - church restoration, shop improvement, village hall, school improvements, purchase of pub

Play/sports facilities on common Village fireworks and Christmas party market bus fun day

LOCAL BUS SERVICE (INCREASE THE COMMUNITY BUS FREQUENCY)

Knowstone bus service

Purchase of The Stag in Rackenford

Village hall

Village hall

Extend the 155 South Molton - Tiverton bus to include Rackenford

Bulworthy project

Rackenford Village Hall

A Rackenford parish hall Community bus out of The Stag Inn

Play area

Play area village hall tidy and repair village road and

area tidy and cut back common area

Rackenford Community Shop

N/a

Pay shop staff improve common drainage and leveling

Off road path around the common at Rackenford and off road path to Rackenford club

Improve road safety

#### Rose Ash

Fill in the potholes around all the country roads!

If you can't plant trees plant other vegetation which will make the area look less like living in a factory.

Plant trees as close as possible to base of wind turbines

**Environmental protection** 

Snooker tables in village halls

Bishops Nympton School outside learning; defibrillator for each parish; licenced bar for village hall

Village Hall and green

Church Hall, Village Green

Local church and village hall

Parish Churches, other buildings such as Parish Halls

#### Others:

#### **East Anstey:**

St Michaels Church East Anstey Oldways End meeting Hall

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Bishops nympton Primary school

#### East Worlington:

East Worlington Parish Hall refurbishment

East Worlington Parish Hall

cannot think of any to hand

East Worlington Parish Hall

Not aware of any

Local churches, chapels and parish halls

**Local Schools** 

Village hall

Village hall

Village hall

Village hall

Village hall

Improve existing bridleways

Improve existing bridleways with sand surfaces suitable for horses

Rose Ash Church roof repairs

Rose Ash village hall, Church and grounds

Rose Ash Village Hall inc. village green upkeep

Early Years provision project connected with the school

West Anstey show and Gymkhana we are a locally run horse and dog show and we raise money for the Devon air ambulance but more important west

The village hall to provide more activities for families like the table tennis, maybe a martial arts group for all ages and fitness for all ages. Sunday club for children run once a month

Parish church and halls

rOSE aSH vILLAGE hALL, cHURCH AND SKITTLES TEAM

Rose Ash village hall

Repair edges of roads and potholes

repair roads at edges and potholes

Rose Ash church and graveyard

Rose Ash church and village hall

Compensation to local people who live within 2 miles of the wind farm

Village hall Rackenford

Hall

Rose Ash Village Hall

ROSE ASH VILLAGE HALL ROSE ASH SKITTLES TEAM

Anstey village hall and church and east Anstey primary school.

East Worlington Village Hall Refurbishment Project

 Improved local transport for the young and elderly
 Improved local IT skills education and recreational interests 3. East Worlington Parish Hall

Restoration of parish hall

Renovation of East Worlington Primary School House

East Worlington Parish Hall East worlington Primary School East Worlington Pre school East Worlington Parish Hall and East and West Worlington Churches

The improvement of facilities to support our Community Development and Well-being programme organised through our community hub or Parish Hall.

East Worlington Parish Hall fabric refurbishment and installation of new kitchen

East Worlington photographic group East Worlington parish hall Internet speed - BT?

#### Meshaw:

Support for local community groups

Devon Wildlife Trust site at Meshaw Moor Bishop's Nympton Primary School Outdoor Learning Project Improving broadband speeds

#### No Parish Given:

Village hall maintenance

Village hall maintenance

The Exmoor Link
Federation which includes
Bishops Nympton Primary
School and East Anstey
Primary School, together
with their affiliated preschools, are looking to
expand/improve education

opportunities for local children. This includes extensive building renovations, grounds improvement and outdoor learning, any contributions towards these projects would greatly benefit children living in these areas.

**Bampton Church** 

Bulworthy project

Witheridge Parish hall committee

Electricity subsidy for every household

#### Appendix B

#### **Bishops Nympton**

Mum's drop in coffee mornings Improved road junctions Improved footpaths/bridleways

Storage room extension need for West Anstey parish hall. Planning permission granted

East Anstey has no other public facility

East Anstey currently share a community shop with the Methodists who own the building. It's now for sale and the community would hope to buy it.

Upgrade and refurbish Bishops Nympton village public conveniences to make them more economically efficient. At present looked after by Parish Council.

Bishops Nympton school building renovations,

grounds improvement and outdoor learning projects.

BISHOPS NYMPTON SOCIAL CLUB

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Encourage job creation and survival of services

A funded project for young people

Better broadband Traffic calming measure in the main street

Improving village broadband Grants for improving home energy efficiency Improving street safety at the school

Toddler group

Community cohesion ie live and let live

Community shop and hall in Bishops Nympton

PTSD initiative group treatments

Transport for individuals to get to social activities

Development of primary schools Some more opportunities for outdoor activities/sport

Growth and development of Bishops Nympton School

Improve access to exercise classes/sport/leisure

More allotments to encourage gardeners

Bishops Nympton school is doing a pupil lead out door learning centre/classroom and school council are heading up fund raising

Establishing post office/shop/community centre in Molland village similar to Bishops Nympton.

#### **Knowstone**

A parish lengthsman who could do dome of the jobs that the council do not do often enough eg cleaning drains and ditches

Improved public walking access on Knowstone Moor

Parking area children's playground area

Making village hall more cosy - more going on

Making village hall more cosy - more going on

The development of the Knowstone Junction cafe site. To include retail outlets for local produce of all kinds incorporating the existing cafe business and employing from the local area

Local shop that has milk, cheese, bread; but food comes from local farmers and producers (and dog poo bags for sale).

Trees to hide the wind turbines from our once beautiful views.

Trees to hide the wind turbines from our once natural views!

Improve broadband connection

Improve broadband connection

Funding to obtain East Hill Farm, Knowstone from the Council for the Parish.

Increase facilities to Rackenford School

Mini tractor with plough and spreader; housing of

item and maintenance (or contractor) to clear roads in winter so villagers can get out of the village.

Community lengths-man to maintain ditches, roads etc.

Fund to provide landscaping to hide views of wind farm

A fund to provide landscaping etc to help mitigate the effects for people whose home are adversely affected by the wind farm.

Projects to reduce noise and pollution arising from the traffic on the North Devon link road. Initiatives could include planting trees - screening, noise reducing tarmac etc. Also planting additional trees along the link road to reduce the visual impact of the wind farm and record the effect on the surrounding wildlife - bats, birds etc.

Help towards maintenance/running costs of Knowstone Church

Drains system in East Knowstone

Parish lengthsman Better parking at Knowstone Village Hall

For the 3 parishes only

Broadband for everyone

Refurbishment of village pond area in Knowstone village

Maintenance of Knowstone church and cemetery (especially bell tower)

field bought for parish events

Playpark for children local bus service

A parish lengthman who could do some of the jobs that the council do not do often enough eg cleaning drains and ditches

Own man to fill potholes

Park or playground "own" man to fill potholes without closing the roads

Community farm shop community land/space wildlife area

Underground cables for telephone and electricity

Underground cables ie telephone and electricity

Run a local bus service between South Molton and Tiverton

Invest funds to provide legal advice and lobbying of MPs/councillors to prevent further degradation of the area

Employ parish lengthman

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Playground/tennis courts in Knowstone village.
Nothing to entertain children as they grow or in East Knowstone or Roachhill. Lots done for older people in village hall, very little for children if anything

Playground in Knowstone

Expand the community bus route rural broadband

network solar panels for each household

Establishing a network of footpaths linking Rackenford and Knowstone

#### **PLAYGROUND**

Building a park in Knowstone parish for local children

Reduction of Parish electricity bills. Grants for maintenance of personal Listed Buildings re energy efficiency Possible employment of 'lengths men' for highways repair and drains. Possible use of Mountain Cross as 'enterprise' zone.

Villages in action

Restoring the bells in this Church

There is huge scope for new projects, a farming cooperative, a local energy group, funding energy efficiency in local housing, creating a community heat project, organising events that bring the community together. Exercise classes. Purchasing the wind farm, creating new energy projects, enabling the local community to buy the energy generated 'local supply', helping businesses to grow. The broadband is under a MB and is slowing business growth.

Broadband

#### Oakford

Village hall repairs

Village hall repairs

Village hall repairs

Village hall repairs

Improved broadband speed

Local sports activities provided in the evenings not day time - so can be used by working people

Providing fibre optic broadband for parish properties to far to benefit from BDUK or BT programs . creation of new nature reserve at bats worthy cross, or other parish sites. Help for local schools Providing play park equipment for villages play parks. Support for young people going to university or training.

Oakford Village Hall needs a new roof.

It could sponsor 2 convalescent beds to be allocated to those leaving hospital before returning home

Subsidised use of village hall for local groups

Youth club

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Funding a "quiet" road surface on 361 bypass

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Improve broadband speeds/availability fibre optic cables

Repair bridge at Spinning Mill. Take blind corners off Repair roads

Oakford carpark

Bampton library and resource centre Oakford carpark

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Footpath as lane is dangerous to walk to village after village hall activities

Footpath from Oakford village centre to village hall

Superfast broadband transmitter

Purchase of land for car park

Village hall fund

Village hall

Car park in Oakford

Appoint and give a retainer to a contractor to clear fallen trees debris etc in the lanes in emergency (lanes are not accessible at times)

Better broadband

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Improve internet speed for those at the end of exchange

Improving broadband speed across the whole area = ALL of ALL 10 parishes..

Improving broadband speed across WHOLE area.

OAP daytime activities

Affordable housing that is affordable for the income in this area

Visits to single people living alone

Health and fitness

IT Training in village hall

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#### Rackenford and Creacombe

Subsidised community transport service for workers, students, shoppers

Subsidised community transport

Open fronted shelter/pavilion with hard stand/storage shed on common above tennis court. To enable/maximise use of common for community events. Serviced by hard path along hedge from car park.

Improvement to and creation if necessary of more bridal paths and footpaths (or drain some of the existing ones) Twinned with another country village like France?

Energy generation schemes (hydro) to provide long term income for parishes

Local village hall

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Parish Hall

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Rackenford village hall Expansion to the shop building for more shop space Off road cycle track. Off road horse riding track.

Village hall?

Put a floor in church tower for ringers and use space underneath for meetings, school etc.

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New equipment in the park

Art club for all the people to come to in new village hall

Swimming pool and village hall New equipment and a horse riding arena Mobile signal

Sports hall Rackenford

Village hall Rackenford to expand provision for aerobics/clubs, places to meet Sports provision Broadband mobile signal

Skateboard park

Hall extension on school (extra classroom) Village

A village hall with Rackenford

A Village Hall in Rackenford

Fibre optic broadband to property (FTP)

Fast broadband

Improve mobile phone signal ideally 4G

Erection of a sheltered area on Rackenford common for school sports day and bonfire night etc. At present people have to erect a marquee

Gain control of Stag Hall for community use

New village hall in Rackenford

Community hall for Rackenford

VILLAGE HALL

Community village hall for Rackenford

Support to build a village hall for Rackenford

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Support to bring a village hall for Rackenford

Improved facilities for schools

Lighting on new car park beside school development of The Stag Hall if purchase possible

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Village hall

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Bus route Tiverton to South Molton

Bus route from Tiverton to South Molton

Build village hall in Rackenford

Build village hll

Footpaths on Rackenham Common and Common drainage Removal of cabling over village street to underground

More parking areas

Village hall

Building a community hall in Rackenford village

Educational advancement working with schools and colleges

Perma culture of projects and local organic gardening and self-sufficiency

Village hall

More Trees Scheme: Woodland has been replaced with open fields; many hedgerows which could support trees do not; and many trees are felled. Growing more trees along hedgerows and in clusters in fields will reduce CO2 emissions, help wildlife, offer shelter to livestock and improve residential amenity especially in instances where it could also lessen the visual impact of the wind turbines as seen from local residences and roads. This project would primarily focus on the parishes of Knowstone, Rackenford and Creacombe. Rose Ash and Bishops Nympton but need not be exclusive to these parishes. This is an all round, green environmental project. Power to the People project: It is known that compliance with ETSU-R97

has, in some instances, taken a long time to achieve e.g. more than three years for Fullabrook. It has also long been known that in in some instances, despite compliance with ETSU-R97, wind turbines have prompted reasonable noise complaints. In the event of either of these situations arising in the case of the Batsworthy wind turbines, this project would secure funding for those affected to employ independent noise consultants of their choosing to hasten a resolution of the problem.

Village hall

Wetlands area created to encourage migrating birds

Village hall for Rackenford

Village hall and support for school extension

Village hall

Village hall

A village Hall Improvements to common and play area

#### Rose Ash

Planting trees especially around our bungalow where we can see them all!

Trees!

Any conservation projects

Tree planting

Just bringing community together

Damp proofing inside south wall of Rose Ash church

Super fast broadband

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Roads need attention! (Council's responsibility)

Mobile libbrary; mobile fish & Chip van; tidy up roads, pool table/table tennis; community fireworks display; bulbs planted

Small local incinerator

Car park for visitors

Improve Broadband; defibrillator and first aid training

Improve broadband speed

Not at the moment (see comments)

Local road repairs

Local (unclassified) road repairs

High Speed Broadband fir all rural homes in the area.

to help keep picnic areas at Rackenford and Knowstone

Car park for Rose Ash village hall

Create new bridleways to get horses off the narrow roads

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Bus service to Tiverton and South Molton

Improved broadband

Broadband subsidised public transport community "nature reserve/park" tree planting

COMMUNITY
BUS/TRANSPORT
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Help upkeep of rural roads

To repair the ground back to its original agricultural state when turbines have finished

Can compensate local home owners for the damage your profits are doing to us - only those living close to the damned turbines

Money spent to tidy the immediate environment eg road, verges, drainage

Community transport

Superfast broadband partnership with BT Openreach

Not sure of new projects but would like to see support for organisations based outside to focus on issues within the geographical area such as foe example a MacMillan nurse for the specific area. Objective would be to use experts to focus on issues within the area. This could

cover a wide range of services.

COMMUNITY BUS/TAXI

#### Others:

#### **East Anstey:**

Bishops nympton Primary school. Outdoor learning project.

Improvements to East Anstey Primary School. There is a growing demand for classroom space in this excellent, well established primary school. Current intake at pre-school age is at a maximum number, placing pressure on resources. Such is the high regard and reputation of this school, funding to establish a new building within the school grounds especially for the preschool children would be money well spent and wisely invested.

Clearance of Batworthy Wind Farm and restoration of the land to its former beauty

We need more local low cost housing for young families. More children's activities in the area. West and east Anstey

#### **East Worlington:**

continuation/provision of free bus from all ten of these parishes to SMART club sports activities at Chulmleigh Community Centre on Saturday mornings.

Imrpoved broadband using FTTC in East Worlington

Parking Area for School & Village Hall

1. improved local IT skills education and recreastional interests

2. parish emergency plan ie snow clearance equipment.

3. School link Facilities for sport

4 wheel drive emergency first responder being looked at in Chulmleigh. To serve all neighbouring villages Rural transport associated with access to facilities in towns Transport to support children accessing schools of choice and facilities and activities beyond the school day.

East Worlington Parish Hall new foyer providing loos (including disabled) storage and welcome area.

#### Mariansleigh:

BISHOPS NYMPTON PRIMARY OUTDOOR LEARNING

#### Meshaw:

VILLAGE HALL

Installation of wi fi as per that used by wild west to enable the village to have a decent broadband service

Witheridge Tennis Club needs a new short tennis court or full size court where short tennis could be played

as we have no village hall help to use the church building as a more community center with more heating and refurbishment Mobile phone and broadband connection upgrades

Bishop's Nympton Primary School Outdoor Learning Project

New community centre

#### No Parish Given:

signage with village info

youth club

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reinstate Rackenford Beer Festival