

**ST JUST PENDEEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**  
**NOTE OF TEAM MEETING ON RENEWABLES POLICIES 7 May 2020**  
**10.30am via Zoom**

*Present:* Debbie Shephard (Chairing), Kate Beckly, Sue James, Adam Sharpe, Dave Stevens, Dot Stevens, Judith Summers (Secretary), Jill Taylor, Sarah Tieken, Tim Wotton  
*Apologies:* Jo Forsyth, Steve Hall, Dave Munday, David Osborne-Broad

The Chair read a brief statement from Dave Munday giving his views on wind and solar.

1. The team agreed the aim of the meeting was to review the renewables policies, with the aim of achieving policies which avoid what we don't want and include what we might want.
2. Dot reviewed the household survey results on renewables.
3. The team agreed that we were looking for a generally enabling policy to encourage and facilitate the use of all the renewables supported in the survey. This could be done through developing the existing policy on energy efficiency and renewables (currently in the Building Design section), with details going into the policy justification if that worked better, and the policy intent being reworked appropriately. The existing policy on renewable energy schemes might also be adjusted.
4. The team agreed that the renewables policies should be brought together into a new section, for which a strategic objective should be drafted (in addition to the overarching climate change objective for all policies).
5. Sue reported that a local business was considering a planning application relating to renewables and wished to work with the community. She had recommended them to approach the NP team.
6. Wind turbines: the team agreed that the policy must focus on size and scale. Adam presented the results of his mapping work to date which showed where and where not it would be possible to have wind turbines (taking into account designations, the airport, and buffer zones). He was very warmly thanked for this work. The team agreed that a policy should be drafted to: take a 'whole parish' approach; be specific about constraints of size and scale (with reference to the Landscape Character Area sensitivity analyses, 2016); recognise the constraints of location and designations and use Adam's mapping as evidence for this. It was noted that this might entail a Strategic Environmental Assessment.
7. Solar energy: the team agreed that the wording needed to be clear about the limitations of size and scale and show that installations must be 'appropriate to the landscape'.
8. Agreed action:
  - Sub-group of Adam, Dave and Kate to produce suite of policies as above (Kate was asked to lead on drafting)
  - Judith to collate existing policies as a basis for this
  - Draft to be sent to Judith by 12 May for circulation.
9. Next Zoom meeting: Thursday 14 May 10.30 (Debbie to convene).