

# Bodwen Solar Park Fund Resident Survey

Report to Luxulyan Parish Council

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# 1 Introduction

In early 2017 a solar park at Bodwen within the Luxulyan Parish was completed. As part of the planning consent the owners of the solar park were obliged to make a contribution to the local community through the Parish Council.

The community, via the Parish Council, has now received a contribution of £41,997.98 as a one-off payment.

In order for the Parish Council to understand what the community would like to spend the money on, two parish meetings (in February and April 2018) were called to discuss the subject and capture residents' suggestions. To gather further feedback from the community a feedback questionnaire was issued to all households within the community. The questionnaire was also made available on the Parish Council website should people like to take the opportunity to provide feedback as individual residents rather than at a household level.

Respondents were asked to provide their name and address in order for the Parish Council to ensure that only views of those resident in the parish were taken into account. The returned questionnaires were checked for eligibility and all 87 returned questionnaires were accepted into the analysis.

The Parish Council asked PFA Research Ltd, based in Penryn, Cornwall, to process the completed questionnaires and to provide an independent analysis of the data, presented in this report.

With 87 completed questionnaires returned and approximately 611 households in the parish, this equates to a 14% return rate and allows us to quote the results with a +/- 10% error margin at 95% confidence level interval. In other words, if 50% of the respondent households were in favour of a particular suggestion, and the survey would be repeated many times, then 95% of the time the survey would find that between 40% and 60% of the people in the sample would favour the same suggestion.

## 2 Summary

This section of the report delivers the analysis of the topics covered through the survey, beginning with a profile of those responding.

### 2.1 Sample Profile

87 people responded to the survey. The collective profile of those responding is illustrated in Figure 3-1 (a and b) below. In summary:

- The majority of households had two occupants (75%), followed by single person households (13%).
- 15% of households included children.

### 2.2 Spending timeframe

Respondents were asked a series of questions to understand their opinion on the timeframe in which the money should be spent (see Figure 3-2 a to c):

- Half (51%) think the money should be spent straight away.
- 58% would like to see some of the money retained for, as yet, unidentified projects.
- Two thirds (68%) can't see any benefit in investing money for future Parish funds.

Although 51% thought that the money should be spent straight away, a number of comments were left on the form, which defined some boundaries for the spending:

“Depends on the option(s) selected.”

“A substantial proportion of the money should be spent within the two year time frame.”

“If there is a project.”

“Yes, if there is a need.”

As reason for not wanting to invest the funds, the current economic climate was mentioned as being unfavourable.

“No point as interest rates so low.”

However, some saw the advantage in saving, at least, some of the money, but called for caution should investment(s) be undertaken.

“Only if the money isn't required immediately, but [don't] invested in stock market investments, i.e. only secure immediate access investments.”

## 2.3 Spending on Specific Groups

The survey questionnaire presented four groups as options for specific focused spending (see Figure 3-3 a to d):

- Young people, under 18
- Older people over 65
- Communities, by providing specific facilities they lack in outlying hamlets in the Parish, such as Bodwen or Lockengate
- Luxulyan village

57% of respondents thought that money should be allocated specifically for either those under 18 or those over 65 years of age. 48% thought that money should be allocated to the under 18s group and to the over 65s.

However, 43% felt that the money should be spent to the benefit of all age groups and for wherever the greatest need is. The majority of additional comments made were not in favour of allocating money to specific groups.

“Our priority would be for the money to be spent in such a way as to benefit as many residents as possible.”

“Age doesn't matter. It's where ever the need is.”

“These questions are discriminatory. Any money spent should benefit the parish as a whole, or be spread evenly amongst all age groups and communities.”

Spending the money on facilities they lack within specific communities of the Luxulyan Parish found favour with 64% of respondents and 69% thought Luxulyan as a whole should benefit from the fund in this way.

Whereas some could see the need to benefit certain communities...

“Primary focus must be Bodwen and Lockengate.”

“It seems fair that outlying hamlets benefit, particularly Bodwen as they are blighted with solar park.”

...others thought that by spending the money across the wider community the benefit would be heightened:

“Whole parish, not specific.”

“It should benefit the whole parish and not specific groups.”

## 2.4 Rating Suggestions

During two Parish meetings in February and April 2018 a number of suggestions for how to spend the money were collected. Those suggestions were listed in the feedback questionnaire and respondents were asked to rank the suggestions in order of importance.

- Only 46 of the 87 respondents clearly indicated a ranking across their chosen suggestions (see Table 3.2).
- Across those respondents who indicated a ranking, the renovation of footpaths was seen as the most important area to spend the funds on, with 21 respondents ranking it among the top 8, of which 10 ranked it as their number one priority.
- Building a skate park was seen as the top suggestion by 4 respondents, with 16 ranking it in the top 8. This was followed by traffic calming measures in Bodwen, with 14 ranking it in the top 8, of which 8 thought it was the top priority.

However, the picture is somewhat different when all responses are taken into account and the analysis concentrates on all suggestions selected, and ignores ranking. Taking this approach includes 69 respondents in total who indicated approval of particular suggestions.

- Whereas the renovation of the footpath remains the top choice of with 38% (26) of the 69 responding, the second most chosen suggestion is now the defibrillator training (23%, or 16 respondents). Installing flood lights at the playing field to aid a potential attendance by the Air Ambulance is the third chose suggestion in this analysis (19%, or 13 respondents).

Respondents were also asked to indicate how the money should NOT be spent (see Table 3.4). Of those who provided a response to this question:

- 57% (26) thought that the money should not be spent on the renewal of the bus shelter, 48% (or 22 respondents) would not want to see funds allocated to the community area at Rosevale Gardens, and parking at St Julitta should not benefit according to 46% (21 respondents).
- Additional suggestions also asked that money should not be spent on projects for which other official authorities (i.e. Cornwall Council, Cormac, etc.) should take responsibility and had a responsibility to make funds available.

Conversely, seeing the analysis of preferred suggestions and those suggestions rejected in isolation, leaves a high margin of error (see page 3 for more information on error margin). Therefore, we would recommend that the results of both the preferred as well as the rejected suggestions are analysed to give a 'Net Preference.' This net preference (n.p.) is calculated by taking the number of respondents who indicated that a suggestion would find their favour and deducting

the number of responses who indicated that the money should not be spent in that area.

Based on this analysis of 'net preference':

- The speed reduction in Bodwen from Lockengate to the factory is the most favoured suggestion, with a net preference of 21.
- This is followed by the renovation of footpaths (n.p. 17 respondents) and a 'Drive Careful' sign in Bodwen (n.p. 15 respondents) - see Figure 3-4.

It should also be taken into account that respondents were encouraged to put forward other suggestions not listed on the questionnaire. However, as those suggestions were made by individual respondents it is difficult to quantify the results and make recommendations as to what would be in the best interest of the parish. Some of these suggestions were centred around traffic calming measures. Additionally, a number respondents would like to see road signs introduced to make visitors to the Eden Project aware of the right route to take (i.e. 'Ignore SatNav', 'Follow sign-posted road', etc.)

Other respondents supported the idea to have the fund, or at least a big(ger) part spent within Bodwen and for the benefit of those within the direct vicinity of the solar park.

Overall, it is difficult to reach a conclusion of a single most preferred suggestion on how to spend the Solar Park Fund. We would recommend that further public consultation is undertaken, where the top 5 – 8 suggestions are presented to parish residents in order for a more accurate selection to be made.

This could be done with a ballot style paper questionnaire distributed to all households (potentially with the parish newsletter) inviting residents to now make a selection from a smaller pool of suggestions. Alternatively, or additionally, a short online survey could be hosted to help with the selection process. PFA would be happy to assist with the process and as a minimum would offer to review any further survey material as part of this report and covered by the remuneration of this contract (i.e. no further cost to the Parish Council).

## 2.5 Working Towards Other Projects

The survey requested suggestions of other projects the Parish Council should be working towards without using the Bodwen Solar Park fund. Overall, 30 respondents made a wide variety of suggestions, including:

- 5 that thought that a 20mph zone and parking at the school should be addressed.
- 4 would like a skate park to be built.
- That the money should be considered for the whole community
- More defibrillators and/or training how to use them.
- Investment into community green spaces.

## 2.6 Other Comment

The questionnaire closed by asking respondents to feedback to the Parish Council any further comments they had. 42 respondents used the opportunity to make comments which often consisted of their re-enforcement of the earlier suggestions or to clarify their rejection of certain suggestions.

The top three themes included the call for the fund to be spent in consideration of the wider community (6), that careful consideration is given to how the money is spent (5) and the instalment of signs to clarify routes for traffic destined for the Eden Project.

“As everyone has different views and all different ages, anything spent on the village making it a lovely place to live is welcome which it already is.”

“It is great that Luxulyan has received this payment, but how it is spent needs to be considered carefully, not wasted.”

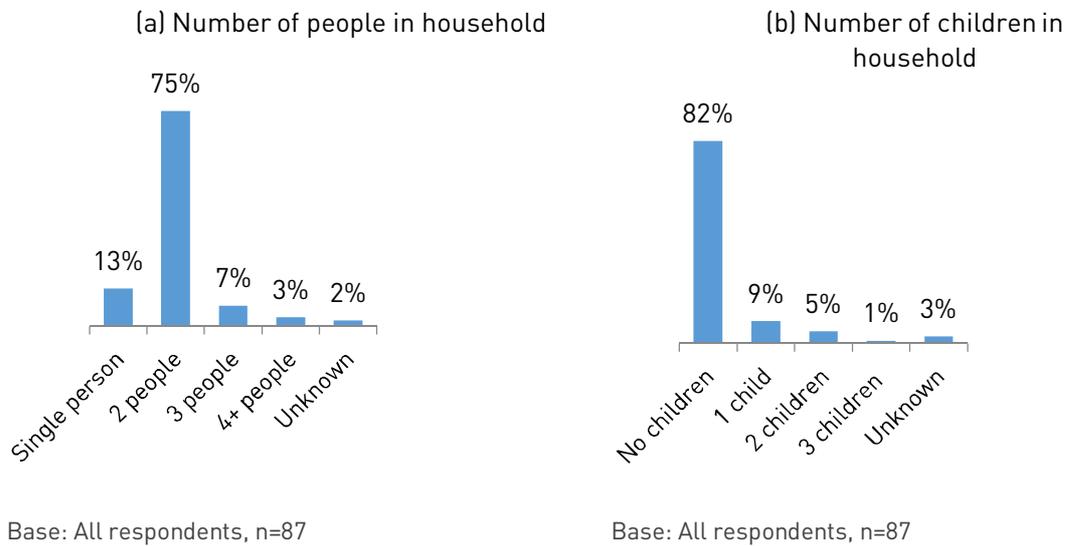
“A sign at Lockengate to stop holiday vehicles using SatNav to go to Eden.”

A full list of all verbatim comments can be found in Section 4.

### 3 Results in Detail

#### 3.1 Sample

Figure 3-1 - Sample



15% (13) of respondents said they have children living in the household. The ages of the children vary from 12 months to 17 years of age:

Table 3.1 – Children’s Age

Number of children	Count
3 years of age or younger	6
4 to 6 years of age	3
7 to 11 years of age	6
11 to 14 years of age	2
16 to 17 years of age	3

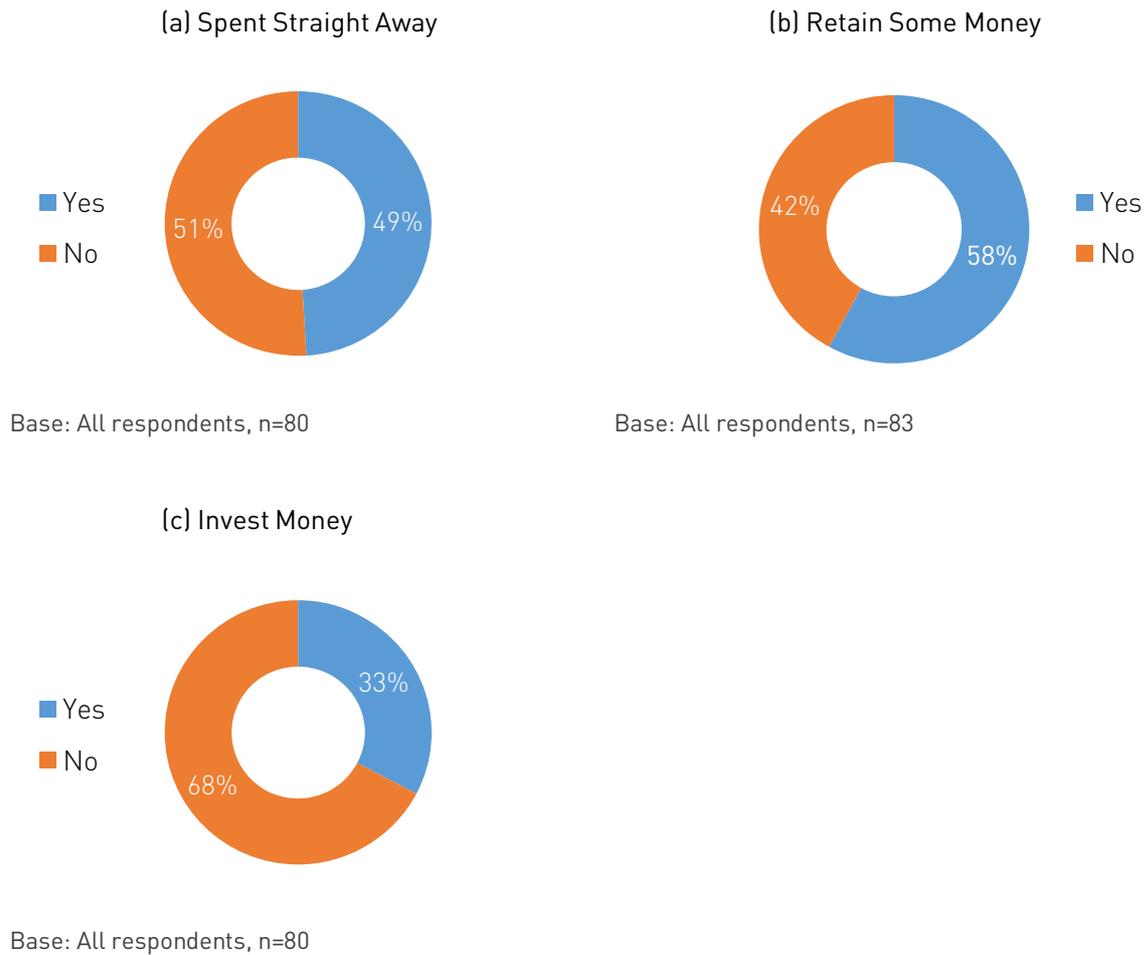
### 3.2 Spending Timeframe

Q: Should all the money be spent straight away, that is, in the next two years?

Q: Should some money be retained for as yet unidentified projects?

Q: Should the money be invested so the interest can be used for Parish funds?

Figure 3-2 - Spending Timeframe



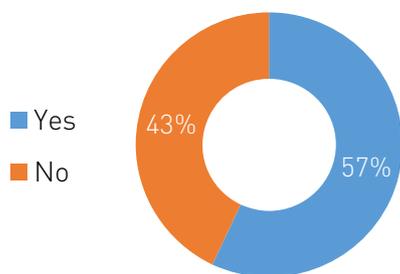
### 3.3 Spending On Specific Groups

Q: Should the money be spent to benefit age groups or communities?

- Young people, under 18
- Older people over 65
- Communities by providing specific facilities they lack in outlying hamlets in the Parish, such as Bodwen or Lockengate
- Luxulyan village

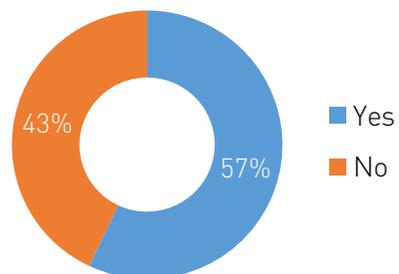
Figure 3-3 - Spending on Specific Groups

(a) Young people, under 18



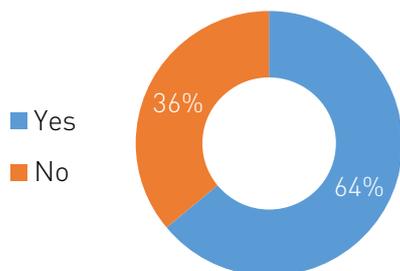
Base: All respondents, n=67

(b) Older people over 65



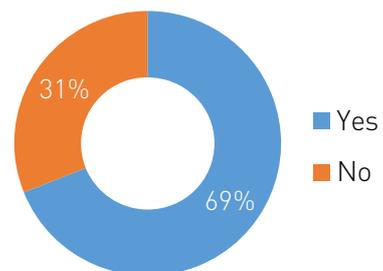
Base: All respondents, n=67

(c) Specific communities



Base: All respondents, n=75

(c) Luxulyan village



Base: All respondents, n=70

### 3.4 Rating Suggestions

Q: I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund should be spent on:

Table 3.2 – List by Importance

Suggestion	Number of respondents	
	Ranked 1 <sup>st</sup>	Ranked total
Base: All respondents providing ranked answers, n=46		
A - Renovation of footpaths	10	21
H - Build Skate Park	4	16
I - Traffic calming at Bodwen	8	14
L - Speed reduction in Bodwen from Lockengate to factory	3	14
Q - Playing Field – installing outdoor fitness equipment.	3	13
K - 'Drive Careful' sign in Bodwen	1	13
D – Bank dug out at St Julitta for more parking	5	11
C - Playing field flood lights to aid Air Ambulance landing	0	10
N - Car Park at Luxulyan updated	4	9
R - Luxulyan village sign	1	8
O - Wildlife reserve below Bridges	4	7
F - 20 mph School Zone	3	7
J - Street Light at Bodwen	2	7
B – Defibrillator training	1	7
G - Highlighting of curb before the bridge between the village and Bridges	2	6
S - Walk way between school/St Sulien entrance and the shop/church area of Churchtown	1	6
E - Playing field hedge/fence extended	0	5
P - Community Green Space	0	3
T - Replace bus shelter	0	2
M - Community area at Rosevale Gardens	0	0

Table 3.3 – Preferred Suggestions

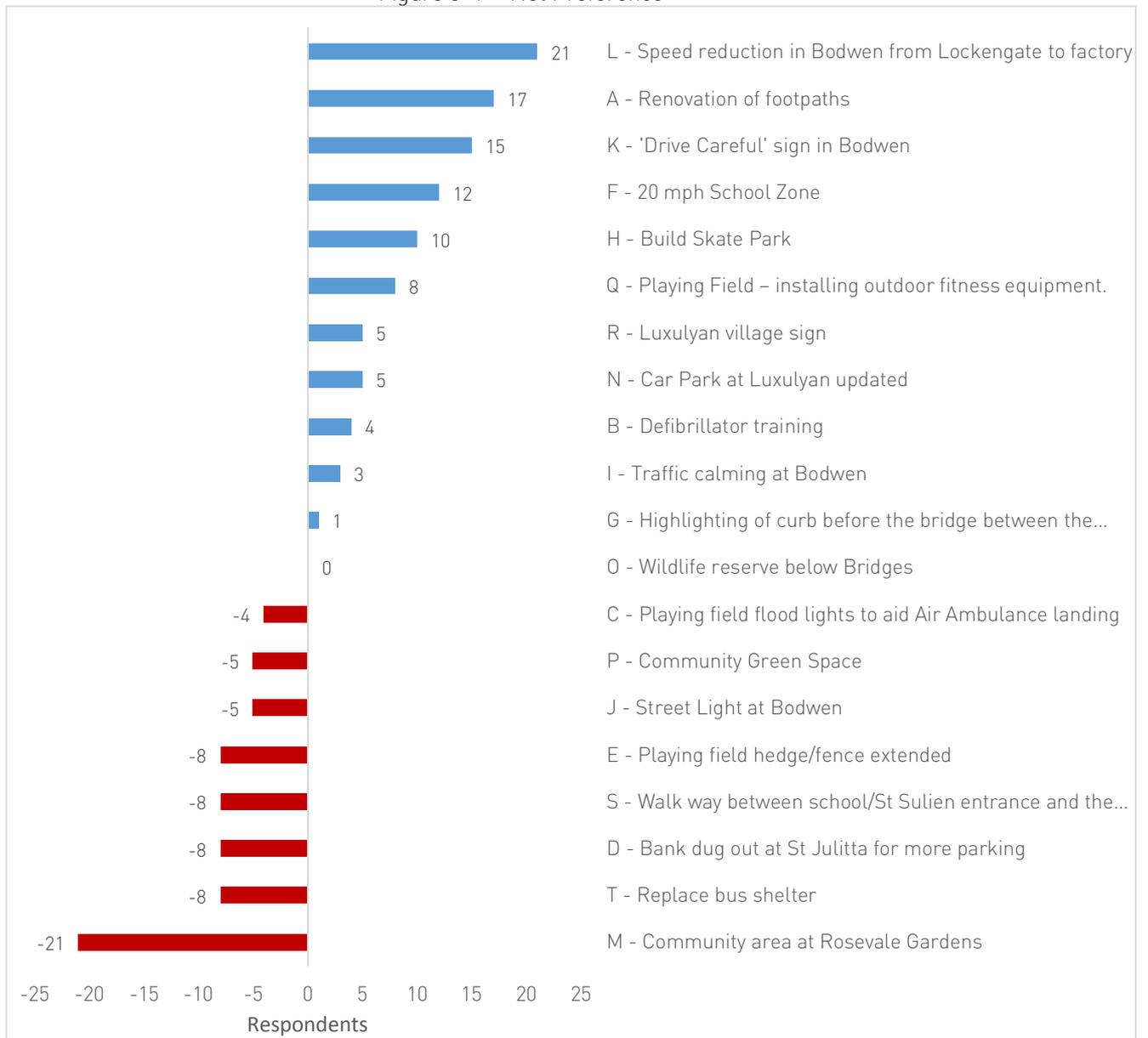
Suggestion	Count	%
Base: All responding, n=69		
A - Renovation of footpaths	26	38%
B - Defibrillator training	16	23%
C - Playing field flood lights to aid Air Ambulance landing	13	19%
D - Bank dug out at St Julitta for more parking	13	19%
E - Playing field hedge/fence extended	7	10%
F - 20 mph School Zone	21	30%
G - Highlighting of curb before the bridge between the village and Bridges	13	19%
H - Build Skate Park	24	35%
I - Traffic calming at Bodwen	13	19%
J - Street Light at Bodwen	13	19%
K - 'Drive Careful' sign in Bodwen	24	35%
L - Speed reduction in Bodwen from Lockengate to factory	27	39%
M - Community area at Rosevale Gardens	1	1%
N - Car Park at Luxulyan updated	24	35%
O - Wildlife reserve below Bridges	15	22%
P - Community Green Space	9	13%
Q - Playing Field – installing outdoor fitness equipment.	20	29%
R - Luxulyan village sign	18	26%
S - Walk way between school/St Sulien entrance and the shop/church area of Churchtown	8	12%
T - Replace bus shelter	7	10%

Q: I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund should NOT be spent on:

Table 3.4 – Money Should Not Be Spent On

Suggestion	Count	%
Base: All responding, n=46		
A - Renovation of footpaths	9	20%
B - Defibrillator training	12	26%
C - Playing field flood lights to aid Air Ambulance landing	17	37%
D - Bank dug out at St Julitta for more parking	21	46%
E - Playing field hedge/fence extended	15	33%
F - 20 mph School Zone	9	20%
G - Highlighting of curb before the bridge between the village and Bridges	12	26%
H - Build Skate Park	14	30%
I - Traffic calming at Bodwen	10	22%
J - Street Light at Bodwen	18	39%
K - 'Drive Careful' sign in Bodwen	9	20%
L - Speed reduction in Bodwen from Lockengate to factory	6	13%
M - Community area at Rosevale Gardens	22	48%
N - Car Park at Luxulyan updated	19	41%
O - Wildlife reserve below Bridges	15	33%
P - Community Green Space	14	30%
Q - Playing Field – installing outdoor fitness equipment.	12	26%
R - Luxulyan village sign	13	28%
S - Walk way between school/St Sulien entrance and the shop/church area of Churchtown	16	35%
T - Replace bus shelter	26	57%

Figure 3-4 - Net Preference



### 3.5 Working Towards Other Suggestions

Q: I think the Parish Council should work towards this, but not use Bodwen Solar Park Funds:

Table 3.5 – Additional Suggestions

Suggestion	Count
Base: All responding, n=30	
20mph at School/parking at school	5
Build a skate park	4
Consider the whole community	4
More defibrillator and/or training	4
Community green space	4
Deal with Bodwen (first)	3
Signage in Bodwen	3
Highlight curb between village and bridges	3
Speed limit from Bodwen to Lockengate	3
Maintenance of foot paths	3
Spent with consideration	3
Playing field	2
Parking at St Julitta	2
Extend hedge at playing field	2
Overall traffic management	2
Luxulyan Valley car park tidy	2
Don't pre-empt government spending/Not Parish Council responsibility	2
Spend all money on Bodwen	1
Community Green space	1
Rosevale Gardens made into community area	1
Wildlife reserve below Bridges	1
Traffic calming measures at Bridges	1
Walkway from School to Churchtown	1
Luxulyan signage	1
Floodlights at playing field	1
Bins	1
Bodwen street lights	1
Traffic calming measures in Bodwen	1
Invest in young people	1
Replace bus shelters	1

Q: Other comments the Parish Council should take into consideration:

Table 3.6 – Other Comments

Suggestion	Count
Base: All responding, n=42	
Consideration for wider community	6
Careful consideration to spent needs to be given	5
Signage for Eden Project traffic	4
Spent money on Bodwen only	3
Any investment will be good	2
Concerns about information/survey provision	2
Don't pre-empty government spending/Not Parish Council responsibility	2
Improve playing field	2
Improve village appearance	2
Money to be spent on young people	2
No narrowing of road St Sulien/Churchtown	2
No spend on a skate park	2
Road safety for the benefit of everyone	2
Use funds for match funding	2
(More) Information on Parish Council meetings	1
Affected areas should have priority	1
Bin by bus shelter	1
Bodwen needs sorting out	1
Flood plain will need Environment Agency input	1
Have Parish website	1
Improve work pace	1
Publicise defibrillator locations	1
Re-instating of Charlestown Leets	1
Street lighting depends on resident wishes	1
Suitable village signs (i.e. plastic)	1
Support established organisations	1
Traffic calming measures needed at Bridges Hill	1

## 4 Verbatim Comments

Comments sorted by question are presented below in their verbatim format, as received through the survey. Only minor edits have been made to assist readability and to preserve confidentiality. The meaning of comments have not been altered in any way.

Q: Should all the money be spent straight away, that is, in the next two years?

Table 4.1 – Other Comments – Spent Straight Away

Comment
All of the money should be spent
Spend all the money.
If possible
Depends on option(s) selected
If there is no other income from the Solar Park (annually) spend £41,997.96 and save the other for future projects.
A substantial proportion of the money should be spent within the two year time frame.
Definitely not.
If there is a project
Suggest most is used now.
The way it is spent should not need a time scale.
Assuming that means 2 years after the committee(s) have made up their minds.
Only when good projects are found.
If a project requiring substantial funding is required
This would depend on the amount needed
Yes, if there is a need.

Q: Should some money be retained for as yet unidentified projects?

Table 4.2 – Other Comments – Retain Some Money

Comment
If Parish Council consider it necessary.
Only if it isn't all spent on the selected options
If there is no other income from the Solar Park (annually) spend £41,997.96 and save the other for future projects.
Some may be needed for maintenance of what money is spent.
When options are put forth, let the people decide.
With lists provided how can there be unidentified projects!!
If a project requiring substantial funding is not required
A back up fund to cover unexpected projects

Q: Should the money be invested so the interest can be used for Parish funds?

Table 4.3 – Other Comments – Invest Money

Comment
No point as interest rates so low.
Interest rates are too low to make this viable.
Some of it.
Except money retained and low rise investment.
Interest rates are so low it's not worth it.
Should be considered.
Some
Silly idea - interest rates!! Get something done instead.
Interest is so low - not worth it.
Yes, the part that is not spent straight away. However, probably not worth it with the current low interest rates.
Only if the money isn't required immediately, but invested in No stock market investments, i.e. only secure immediate access investments.
Should benefit everyone!

Q: Should the money be spent to benefit age groups or communities?

- Young people, under 18
- Older people over 65
- Communities by providing specific facilities they lack in outlying hamlets in the Parish, such as Bodwen or Lockengate
- Luxulyan village

Table 4.4 – Other Comments – Young People

Comment
Suggestions mostly relevant for all ages
If required
Depends on the option(s) selected
It should benefit the whole parish.
Our priority would be for the money to be spent in such a way as to benefit as many residents as possible.
Age doesn't matter. It's where ever the need is.
Some of it.
No age group should be discriminated against
Communities
Some
Age discrimination? PC etc.?
Everybody, not specific age groups
These questions are discriminatory. Any money spent should benefit the parish as a whole, or be spread evenly amongst all age groups and communities.
A certain amount to provide a place where teenagers can go and help out in the local community that stimulates their minds.
Should benefit everyone!
Should be spent where ever the need is regardless the age.
All age groups and communities should benefit.

Table 4.5 – Other Comments – Older People

Comment
Suggestions mostly relevant for all ages.
If required
Not specifically, community as a whole
Depends on the option(s) selected
It should benefit the whole parish not specific groups.
Our priority would be for the money to be spent in such a way as to benefit as many residents as possible.
Age doesn't matter. It's where ever the need is.
Some of it.
No age group should be discriminated against
Age discrimination? PC etc.?
Everybody, not specific age groups
These questions are discriminatory. Any money spent should benefit the parish as a whole, or be spread evenly amongst all age groups and communities.
There are a lot of senior citizens in our community that need contact with others. How about getting teenagers involved here.
Should be spent where ever the need is regardless the age.

Table 4.6 – Other Comments – Communities

Comment
Wildlife, Tarzan trail, exercise area.
If required.
The bus shelter at Lockengate is in a terrible condition. This shelter area really needs attention. It is the gateway to Luxulyan Parish.
Primary focus must be Bodwen and Lockengate.
It should benefit the whole parish and not specific groups.
Not a clear enough questions.
It seems fair that out-lying hamlets benefit, particularly Bodwen as they are blighted with solar park.
Most definitely
I feel the close by affected area should be compensated.
We have no bus service serving Bodwen or Lockengate. And the roads have become dangerous to walk.
Perhaps a play area for young and a picnic area.
Some
That's what it is for!
Whole parish, not specific.
These questions are discriminatory. Any money spent should benefit the parish as a whole, or be spread evenly amongst all age groups and communities.
What about the other hamlets such as Canna and Menadew? We don't want lights in the countryside.
Given the source is the solar farm, to which residents of Bodwen and Lockengate were heavily opposed, and who suffered most during construction, it seems just that these people should benefit most.
Should be spent where ever the need is regardless the age.
For smaller affordable projects.

Table 4.7 – Other Comments – Luxulyan

Comment
Luxulyan Football Club training / pitch for older children.
If required.
Should be a mix, not just 1 group/area.
It should benefit the whole parish and not specific groups.
Where ever the need is.
If needed for a project, yes.
The village is the hub of the community so money spent here is likely to benefit the majority of people.
Shuttle bus outlying hamlets to St Austell, Truro, Bodmin, to benefit all.
Some
That's what it is for.
Whole parish, not specific.
These questions are discriminatory. Any money spent should benefit the parish as a whole, or be spread evenly amongst all age groups and communities.
Should be spent where ever the need is regardless the age.

Q. I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund should be spent on:

Table 4.8 – Other Comments – Fund Spent On

Comment
(F) - all residential roads to be 20. (I) - Yes. (L) - all non-residential roads to be 30. (A) - path maintenance. (D) - extra parking. (G) - Paint it yellow, refactors get muddy. (Q) - add a flat walking track on edge of the field.
1) Community Energy Project, e.g. Bio Gas - utilising slurry from local dairy farms. For the benefit of residents (subject to research re. smells and traffic etc.) 2) Traffic calming at bridges to slow traffic for safety of pedestrians and pub. 3) Re-do the 'pavement' markings on the bridge.
1) Signage at Lockengate to stop Eden traffic from cutting through Luxulyan. 2) (A) - Renovate recognised foot paths. 3) (H) - Skate park in playing field. 4) Signage and bins in Luxulyan Valley.
Bodwen
Bodwen and if any money left and over, safety issue for the village.
Bringing the play equipment up to safe standards. Signage in the village regarding speeds and "No Through Road" at St Cyriac. But especially 20 mph on the hill!!
Communication and transport, improvements and amenities.
Fly tipping - We recommend that some CCTV be installed at Prideaux Road to help stop fly tipping in that area. There has been items such as mattresses, kitchen items and fridge freezers and general rubbish.
For visitors arriving by train, the first impression of the station should be vastly improved. We suggest a 6 to 8 ft high mural along the fence, lined with large photos of Luxulyan Valley. Village points of interest and the Eden Project. The station building and signage could be painted GWR chocolate and cream.
General maintenance of the village and surrounds. The village sign and bus stop area should have been sorted by the council - not privately. The roads, footpaths are not weeded/tidied anywhere near often enough. Lots of litter about but where are the litter bins?
H - But delete 'skate' and 'older'. Q - But more than 2 years to get grant plus 2 years to install? Note: H & safety requirements for play parks and equipment's produce extortionate costs and questionable insurance requirements.
Improve signs re sharp bent at Rosemelling Road, harrowing from Luxulyan direction.
Installation of bridle paths for equestrian use. There is hardly any off road riding in the parish and none within riding distance of home. There is a strip of land around solar farms between the security fence and boundary wall/hedge. That could be used for horse riding.
Introduction of 30 or even 20 mph speed limit from Faggys Cement Works to village
Luxulyan exercise/football club area. Tarzan trails. Bodwen street lights. Calming/speed zones 20 mph - school, 30 mph Bodwen.
Money should be spent on projects(s) that have minimal ongoing maintenance cost that would be burden to parish. Footpaths and village hall playing field seem good candidates. The playing field is very under used, so maybe a skate park and/or area for waling. Not sure outside fitness equipment would be used, but as an extension to play area it could work.
Money spent on Bodwen only
More parking for the school; More facilities for children; More facilities for the elderly
My priority would be to support transport to town for elderly.
Outdoor fitness equipment benefits everyone. Myself and family have to travel to Roche village to use this equipment. (D) - If this would be possible.

Places need tidying up and maintaining to high level. Luxulyan Valley car park needs attention. More can be made of Luxulyan play field and park - park needs re-making (see photos of rust on equipment). Ask school kids to design park to make them feel connected to it, needs more variety and incorporate adult/teen exercise equipment. Signage to warn Eden traffic of village roads and re-route.
Plays/activities at the village hall. Create walking/cycling spaces to run alongside the roads and brook for safe leisure activities or exercise/dog walking. Link up the current footpaths like this so people don't have to walk on the roads or drive there. This would cater for many (all) age groups and cover some of A - T needs marked above. For an example see B3272 Pentewan Road ways.
Putting a sign to show where to turn down to Beswetherick Field, preferable by the turning left by No. 8.
A new bin by bus stop.
D - A crossing put up the top of the hill from school to village hall. Cars come up way to quick. Mirrors? Warning signs?
D - This would ensure parishioners safety and ease e congestions in school times. E - To support forest school. K - Identify hamlet, make people aware they are in a residential area.
D is priority to stop cars being parked on pavements and in turning spaces.
S - remove the wall in front of institute, put in planters, etc. making it inviting to sit in.
A mirror or crossing by the Old Chapel to aid crossing the road.
Improving facilities for the people of Lockengate/Bodwen. Q - More exercise equipment and picnic tables in playing fields. G - Kerb on Bridge highlighted. B - More defibrillator training. Make a footpath from Kits Corner to the top path of St Julitta along the boundary of No 2 St Julitta. This would be safer than walking through the parked cars.
Ranking - L - with electronic/digital speed advisor. H, Q, C, D, G - with cement paint, inexpensive. R - signage already above Challow , only Valley Road to do. B. Sign needed at Lockengate saying road not suitable for Eden Traffic.
Reinstate bus service between St Austell and Bodmin along the A391.
Re-siting the 'unsuitable for coaches' signs at the west end of New Road to more suitable and less ambiguous location. Pridecave Road 30 mph zone to be extended westwards along New Road as far as the Travellers settlement.
Road signs and [...] CHECK
Road signs and traffic restrictions [...] we farm at Rosemelling - recent survey showed traffic much heavier due to SatNav. [...] traffic due to Eden Project. Through Luxulyan and Rosemellion.
Running a properly conducted resident survey as to how this money should be spent. - The survey should be conducted by an independent body so as to ensure the conclusions are truly representative of the views of the community and in no way have been interpreted by the Parish Council. - The questionnaires need to be provided with a stamped addressed envelope to encourage response. - Everyone who returns a questionnaire should receive a copy of the conclusions from the independent body, not just the decision from the Parish Council. - Indicative costs of implementing the existing proposals should be given, what might seem like a good idea might lose attraction once costs are known. More detail should be provided with each proposal to avoid misinterpretation, e.g. B) Training more people on defibrillators - how many are already trained and where are they located? M) Exactly where is the green space next to Rosevale Gardens and, if it is privately owned, is the owner willing to sell? T) The bus shelter by the school? - Assuming further suggestions are received from the original, or subsequent, questionnaire, will the residents be given a further opportunity to vote and, if so, how? Commission a traffic analysis in Bodwen to determine the volume and speed of the traffic through the hamlet. Install speed detector units with 'slow down' signage at Bodwen. Install a Parish Council notice board at Bodwen and upgrade the rest of the existing notice boards.

Sign indicating Luxulyan Valley at the corner of Chy Veau Garden
Skate park in the village hall car park area to prevent the children playing in the street.
Some of the sensible things above and note on airy fairy things for lazy parents. The institute needs help with upkeep and keeping tidy. And a new bus stop of any description would be an improvement on hat's there. A sign stopping traffic coming through the village to Eden.
Speed limit in the village - particular shop to T-junction, Bridges Hill to T-junctions all way to Rosevale Gardens - reduce - traffic calming. Improving facilities on playing field - seating - things to do - not just for children, everyone.
Street lights; Speed bumps; Traffic calming signs Bodwen; 20 mph and 30 mph from Lockengate; Road repairs; Hedge trimming.
The money should be spent on something that will benefit all parts of the community. If there is nothing at present, it should be invested until a project or repairs become evident.
The flood plain is an excellent idea. I feel this would really benefit the local residents of Luxulyan, a place to walk, there are not enough places to walk in Luxulyan, especially for the less able and elderly, this would provide easy flat walking and a place where people can meet and have a chat! Very important.
The flood plain will alleviate any [...] excessive flooding by 'sponge' into willow beds etc. and encouraging a natural habitat to [...], encouraging bees, butterflies and pollinators. Education for local people and a space of tranquillity. Info board can be put up. Is dependent on being allowed to have the land for community people.
The footpath from Bodwen to Higher Menadue, especially 408/6/1 (Dark Lane) needs urgent, major work to make it useable once more. This is the only walking route for residents of Bodwen other than using the road. Additionally, it is a link in the parish footpath network that is currently redundant except in very dry weather. Possibly, a lesser amount of funding might be available from the footpath committee (Chariman Roger James), but in all likelihood re-instatement will be expensive.
The money should be used to improve the appearance of the parish.
This should be spent on Bodwen and the rest if any on safety issues in the village.
To compensate firstly the families/properties nearest to the hideous looking set-up, which also includes potential health problems/lack of peace and quiet etc. Thanks for asking.
Traffic calming and speed reduction through centres of population within the parish. Footpath renovations.
Traffic calming at bridges, refresh pavement markings on lane. A community energy project.
Traffic calming from the junction at Lockengate to the factory at Ebenezer - this should be a priority as the speed that the traffic races along this road is frightening. That the speed limit be reduces to at least 30 mph.
Traffic calming measures on bridges Hill both sides, one on Bridges, other on Hill by the pub. And D.
Traffic calming on the Bridges road where there is no footpath.
Traffic calming over Bridge and either side hills as speed cars go is dangerous (needed for whole parish). Signs throughout parish incl. Bodwen, Bridges etc. saying 'Drive Careful' or 'Children at play' or 'Walkers in Road'. Same as P but somewhere to also walk dogs/animals as have to travel out of parish to find walk (except Valley)
Traffic calming scheme at Bridges to reduce speed of cars coming down hills either side of Kings Arms pub on blind corner near bus shelter.
Use the money constructively on projects that all can get benefit from. Not to be used to benefit the few. Don't waste on stones/monuments/signs. Too much money is wasted this way.
We suggest that all the ones ticked should be considered (B, C, H, O, P, Q). The other ones should be down to the council, i.e. signs, lights, pavements, etc.

Q. I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund should not be spent on:

Table 4.9 – Other Comments – Fund Spent NOT On

Comment
(H) - This will only benefit a very few. (T) - The bus shelter looks fine, better to spend on bus shelter at Lockengate, children of the parish cannot use to shelter in whilst waiting for school bus.
A wooden bus shelter needs more maintenance. Keep the one we have clean instead.
All of the suggestions seem valid, but which ones apply to the most people? Everyone needs to be safe / wants leisure/exercise. So choose fairly and don't spend the money on pleasing only a small portion of the community.
Anything that doesn't benefit residents of whole parish and helps if does not in some way benefit safety of all residents.
Areas that should be funded by public funds.
Areas unaffected by the building of the solar farm
Bodwen street lights
Bus shelter changed recently - waste of money. Street lighting Bodwen - there is a reason for people moving into country - no street lights!
Bus shelter just needs painting
Car parking area
D, E, F, G, I, J, K, L, M, N, R, S, T - This should come from the council!!
Engraved stones, monuments, signs
It's difficult as all the points raised are important points and should all be addressed, but I suppose as its Bodwen Solar Park funding the Bodwen district should be through about firstly maybe.
J - Light pollution should be reduced, not increased. N - Black Hill car park is not in Luxulyan Parish. Similarly, much of the publicly used art of the Valley (east of the river) is in Lanlivery.
Just Luxulyan village and Churchtown, as these have always been well supported by the C.
Luxulyan projects. Bodwen suffered for a long period when this project went ahead. They should have the money spent here.
Luxulyan Village
M - Rosevale Gardens. Land was earmarked for this, then sold off. Maybe the persons benefiting from the sale pays for this. D - St Julitta is owned by Ocean Housing, so they should finance this. T - Bus shelter is ok considering we don't have many buses.
Maintenance - the council already has funding/money for - get money spent.
Maintenance already within remit of Parish Council. Any areas under highways, this should be complete via normal channel.
No to flood lights. Money should not be spent on projects that are for the benefit of the few. So no to digging up green area in St Julitta for a handful of cars. Likewise no to Rosevale Gardens green space. Why replace a perfectly good bus stop for one that will need more maintenance? So no! Valley car parks are on Cormac's list of things to do, so leave it to them. Rubbish and dog poo bins have been refused in the past by council as they attract fly tipping and Cormac can't get their lorry down Valley Road.
Outdoor fitness equipment (item Q). Bus shelter (item T) - the current shelter is fine, already green and blends in to its surroundings.
P - Already have playing field. N - Black Hill is Cormac's responsibility, Pontois Mill privately owned. A - Footpath 6 - Cormac will help
Projects which will incur continuing operational costs - such as additional street lighting

Projects/schemes which should be funded by Cornwall Council or central government.
R, F, D, G, J, K, L, N - many of these are Highways responsibility and should be paid for by Highways department funds!
Ranking: J, L, D, K
Renovation of the Luxulyan Valley (up keep of paths)
Signs for Luxulyan. This money is already in Parish funds and should be used to do these anyway. Valley car park not Parish Council's responsibility.
Skate Park
Skate park too expensive and likely to be a white elephant.
Specific small groups or this is discriminatory. Improving parking for a handful of residents. Providing Street lighting for people who chose to buy a house where there is none. Providing a landing zone for a helicopter that has been used once in the 15 years I've lived here.
T - Wooden bus shelter; F - 20 mph school zone, because there is no one to enforce it.
The Luxulyan Valley
Things that should be provided by Cornwall Council
We already have spaces for children and Luxulyan Valley if parents make the effort to take their children, it's within walking distance. There is plenty of parking at the Village Hall.
We don't want street lights in the country side, move to the towns if you want them so badly.

**Q. I think the Parish Council should work toward this, but not use Bodwen Solar Park Funds:**

Table 4.10 – Other Comments – Other Projects

Comment
B - defibrillator training; E - Playing field hedge; F - 20 mph at school; G - Highlight curb; H - Skate park; I - Bodwen traffic calming; J - Bodwen street lights; L - Bowden speed limit; P - Community green space.
B- Defibrillator training; E - Paying field hedge extended; F - 20 mph school zone; G - Highlight Curb; H - Skate park; I - Traffic calming in Bodwen; K - Bodwen village signs; L - Speed reduction to 30 mph; P - Community green space
Better parking by school, this is a road safety aspect and Council should pay money to improve this!
Better signposting and maintenance of all footpaths.
Bodwen issues need sorting first, then deal with other issues in the village.
Bodwen needs dealing with, then deal with other issues like those above.
Bus stop replacement
C - Flood lights at playing field; K - Bodwen village signs; R - Luxulyan village sign.
Car park for Luxulyan Valley to be cleaned up.
Community garden area
Concentrating on our young generation. Encouraging them to help locally, stimulate their minds. After all these youngsters are the future generation here.
Expansion of playing field, isn't it large enough? Road signs; Speed limits; Street litter bins; Training people to use defibrillators (need more of them) and should be a free service with purchase. The bus shelter by the shop is adequate. Perhaps a seat in the one by the pub.
Fight the council and town council to get Council Tax funded works done! - Roads, footpaths, signs, lighting, drainage, gutter cleaning, hedging....
H - Skate park, one was in playing field but changed to netball as it wasn't used. P - Green space we have a plying field and lots of places to walk already. C - How many time have the air ambulance landed in the playing fields?
I think you should use the funds and it should be checked and double checked so ensure it is properly accounted for.
More people trained in the use of defibrillators. 20 mph zone at school.
Parking at St Julitta; 20 mph zone for School; Curb before the bridge between the village and bridge be highlighted in some way' Speed in Bodwen reduced to 4- mph. Walkway between school and Churchtown.
Playing field exercise equipment. Tidy up Valley with bins.
Projects/schemes which should be funded by Cornwall Council or central government.
Provide social opportunities to prevent isolation - all age groups and mental health improvements for all age groups - coffee mornings / library facilities / signpost opportunities - poverty, food bank needs, transport, job hunting - central point.
Remembering that the world does not end at Gattys and Rosemelling! It is bitterly disappointing that not one proposal was suggested which would affect the residents of the southern part of the parish.
Signage at Luxulyan Valley car park - Please take all your rubbish home with you .
Sort out Bodwen first, they never have anything done there.
Spend all the money on Bodwen
Survey from children to whether skate park is needed.

T - Current wood ones are not attractive. A - Footpath 6 - Council should put pressure on Cormac. N  
- talk to Cormac re Black Hill

Traffic calming measures on Bridges Hill both sides, one on Bridges, other on Hill by the pub.  
Parking at St Julitta.

Traffic calming throughout whole parish inc. signs, lowering speed limits and poss. bumps etc. Safe  
place for parish residents young and old to walk, walk dogs, play, etc.

Use all available resources

Wildlife reserve below Bridges

Q. Other comments the Parish Council should take into consideration:

Table 4.11 – Other Comments

Comment
A sign at Lockengate to stop holiday vehicles using SatNav to go to Eden.
Any funds towards already established ideas/groups that desperately need more funds to help the community even more. Luxulyan Football Club, Outdoor fitness areas/etc.
Anything that will encourage our younger generation to be proud of the Luxulyan Parish and to be part of it.
Apart from the extra traffic and traffic jams outside our entrance, we haven't been affected by the solar farm what so ever. But the people of Bodwen have been severely affected with hedges and drive ways being ruined by the massive lorries using an entrance not originally marked on the planning map, which should have been by the owner's bungalow. - If the residents of Bodwen have been awarded damages already, I would like the money to be spent on street lighting or 30 mph speed limit at Bodwen/Lockengate. Luxulyan village has not been affected by the solar farm at all and therefore I think the money should be spent on the Bodwen area, which has been the only area affected.
As everyone has different views and all different ages, anything spent on the village making it a lovely place to live is welcome which it already is.
Concerning the local development plan the committee ignored the wishes of residents and did what 'they' thought was best. The committee will probably ignore these wishes too. Multi-functioning/multi-question forms rarely work. Perhaps a miracle will happen with this one.
Definitely spend money on the young ones. They are our future.
Finding a way to stop Eden traffic coming through Luxulyan. We cannot walk safely on our roads. Urgent.
Funds to be allocated to all communities, pro rata to number of residents.
Hopefully the money should be spent wisely for the majority not just for a few.
I feel that all of this money should not be spent straight away. Some should be retained and invested to be used when a real need arises. Many of these suggestions are just vanity projects which will only benefit particular areas of the community.
I think people closely affected should get a priority choice where the money should go. Thank you for working for the benefit of the community.
It is great that Luxulyan has received this payment, but how it is spent needs to be considered carefully, not wasted.
Item S, making more parking at the Institute. This part of the road is quite wide and many people park both sides, for the school, shop and local residents who live along there, as we do. It would not be good to make the road narrower as there are deliveries to the shop every day and it is a regular route for tractors and farm vehicles.
Lack of stamped addressed envelope has put a lot of people off replying. Lack of indicative costs is disappointing. Lack of supporting detail for some items is disappointing (e.g. M, N, O, P, Q).
Making the village pretty, hanging baskets and a bin for the Valley car park.
Monies spent now will be better value as prices keep going up.
More sings in the park
Motorists would also benefit from our suggestions and people would be more inclined to walk/cycle than drive thus making it safer for everyone.
Much of the village does not have pavements. Creating a bit in front of Institute does not solve the issue of those still wanting to use shop as both sides of shop will still have no pavement. I'm not

<p>aware of any serious accidents as things are, but I do think tractors/silage/slurry vehicles should be reduced in size and farmers made to clear up mess/damage. A wetland and board walks at Rosevale Gardens sounds nice, but I feel will never be maintained and will become a health and safety issue in future.</p>
<p>N - Luxulyan Valley is owned by Lanlwey PC, so maybe they should match fund the improvement with Luxulyan. A sign at Lockengate advising traffic it is unsuitable for Eden traffic as this would reduce traffic through the villages of Bodwen and Luxulyan/Bridges. R - The sign telling us we are in Luxulyan are always going missing. So could new ones be made of a plastic material making them worthless in scrap value.</p>
<p>New bin by bus stop, larger in size to accommodate need.</p>
<p>Not skate park</p>
<p>O - Nothing can be done without blessing of Environment Agency. N - Not council's responsibility</p>
<p>Perhaps the Parish Council could look to neighbouring villages of Treverbyn and Lanivet to see how money spent to revitalise communities has worked. Money from Bodwen Solar funds could be used to match funding from other organisations who award grants for worthwhile projects.</p>
<p>Playing field, Village Hill great amenity but helpful to have to fenced off dog walk area and shelter in case of bad weather. Roof to stand under the field area.</p>
<p>Point J, Street lights be installed would really depend on if local residents would wish this. But traffic calming is always good. I do feel that O would be a great thing to do of the local community. I for one would really appreciate this as I love walking with my dogs, not only is it good exercise, it keeps me fit and gets me out, possibly without driving all of the time.</p>
<p>Reasons for traffic calming on Bridges Hill - all vehicles entering village from Rosemelling direction especially cyclists speed around the bend by the pub curving the corner. There has been one incident where a car ended up on the pub front court, demolishing the fence and a table. Fortunately no one was injured.</p>
<p>Reinstate the Charlestown Leat. That should flow around Bridges Hill. This would promote wildlife into the area, reduce silt build-ups and potential flooding.</p>
<p>Safety on the roads benefit everyone.</p>
<p>Sort out Bodwen. No pending money on other things, this place needs sorting out before anywhere.</p>
<p>That Bodwen are the people stick between two solar farms and the council needs to remember the other people in Luxulyan and not just the village.</p>
<p>The idea of skate park was put forward some years ago and the children who would possible use it decided it was a waste of money and took up too much of the playing field.</p>
<p>The money should be spent on Bodwen only.</p>
<p>The solar farm affects the people of Bodwen, so funds should be spent there.</p>
<p>Think long term and quality products that give the best impression of the area.</p>
<p>To provide a crossing on the corner by the Old Chapel for children to safely cross to the park. And to enforce parking regs. around the school, i.e. zig zag lines.</p>
<p>Traffic flows generated by the Eden Project are reaching levels, often in both directions, which are unsustainable and travel at peak times is significantly affected. Rather than adopt the approach of discussion with the traffic authorities, could this not be better controlled by signage at the Eden entrances? A simple sign requesting drivers [leaving] the main entrance not to follow their GPS instructions, but rather follow the existing signage might well be efficient.</p>
<p>Training for defibrillators is not necessary. All you need is clear in the kit, which also instructs when in use. People need to know where it is. Put this in every copy of Granite Towers if not in already. The money is for the whole of the parish and needs spending to benefit as many as possible.</p>
<p>Where and when were the Parish meetings notified to parishioners? A parish website for news, info dissemination and interest as per so many other parishes.</p>

Work being done far more quickly than it is now in all areas - especially signage!!

## 5 Appendix – Questionnaire

### Questionnaire – for all residents of Luxulyan Parish

#### BODWEN SOLAR PARK FUND – Background

The owners of the Solar Farm at Bodwen were obliged as part of the planning consent to make a contribution to the local community through the Parish Council. This contribution was a one-off payment of £41,997.98. The Parish Council has so far called two Parish meetings in February and April to find out what the community wants the money spent on. Luxulyan Parish Council is now sending this form to all households in the parish.

BY FILLING IN THIS FORM YOU AGREE THAT Luxulyan Parish Council will only use your replies to help it decide how best to use the Bodwen Solar Park Fund. THE COUNCIL WILL NOT use your personal data (name and address, etc.) in any public forum and may only identify respondents by area (e.g., 'Bodiggo residents'). *If you have a query regarding the use of your personal data, please refer to the council's Privacy Policy, which is found on its website, or the Clerk can post you a copy.* Anonymous replies will not be processed.

Name:	
Address:	
Signature:	
Number of adults in your household:	
Ages of children in your household:	

Please answer in the boxes. Add another sheet of paper if you need to.

#### SECTION 1

Should all the money be spent, or some retained for future unexpected expenditure, that is, for example, for further devolvement of services to the Parish Council?

Should all the money be spent straight away, that is, in the next two years?

Yes / No (delete one)

Should some money be retained for as yet unidentified projects?

Yes / No (delete one)

Should the money be invested so the interest can be used for Parish funds?

Yes / No (delete one)

## SECTION 2

Should the money be spent to benefit age groups or communities?

Young people, under 18

Yes / No (delete one)

Older people over 65

Yes / No (delete one)

Communities by providing specific facilities they lack in outlying hamlets in the Parish, such as Bodwen or Lockengate

Yes / No (delete one)

Luxulyan village

Yes / No (delete one)

## SECTION 3

At the Parish Meetings held in February and April the following suggestions were made. In the boxes provided below, please let the parish council know what you think.

- A. Renovations of recognised footpaths shown on Ordnance Survey maps.
- B. That more people are trained on the use of the defibrillators
- C. That floodlights be installed on the playing field behind the village hall so that the Air Ambulance can land. (You may wish to exclude suggestions which are obviously too costly, but a comment should be made to that effect somewhere).
- D. That the bank at St Julitta is dug out for the parking of more vehicles
- E. That the hedge/fence of the Playing Field play area be extended at the northeast corner.
- F. That a 20 mph School Zone is made.

- G. That the curb at before the bridge between the village and bridges be highlighted in some way.
- H. That a skate park should be built in the playing field to get the older children off the streets.
- I. That traffic calming be installed at Bodwen.
- J. That Bodwen have street lights installed.
- K. That Bodwen have village signs, perhaps saying 'Drive Carefully Through Our Village'.
- L. That the speed in Bodwen from Lockengate to the factory be reduced from 40 mph to 30 mph.
- M. That a green space next to Rosevale Gardens be made into a community area for the residents (but that land may be privately owned).
- N. That the car parks for Luxulyan Valley should be tidied up, the signage renewed and dog bins be installed with rubbish collection service.
- O. The flood plain below Bridges following along from Rosevale gardens and adjacent to the river would make an ideal place for a community wildlife reserve. The river could be diverted into a series of ponds and wetlands accessed by board walks and the water finally returned to the river further down by the weir.
- P. A protected community Green Space, somewhere to walk to, for children to play, a focal point etc. but in keeping with the rural area. I don't know if there is any common land available or if a local landowner would be willing to donate the land as a legacy.
- Q. Playing Field. To encourage exercise amongst all generations consider installing some outdoor fitness equipment around the outside of the lower part of the field. Grants are probably available to help with this
- R. It is long overdue that we have village signs announcing that you have arrived in Luxulyan. I believe we have one at the moment out the 3 roads most used to go in and out of the village
- S. One concern raised in the NHP questionnaire was the danger of often having to walk in the middle of the road due to vehicles parked, between the school or St Sulien entrance and the shop/church area of Churchtown. If the wall at the front of the Institute is removed together with another 3 feet of the foreground a proper pavement could be installed
- T. Replace the Bus shelter with a more natural looking wooden one.

I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund **should be** spent on:

You can of course suggest other projects besides the ones listed. Please list by importance.

I think the Bodwen Solar Park Fund **should NOT be** spent on:

I think the Parish Council should work toward this, but not use Bodwen Solar Park Funds:

Other comments the Parish Council should take into consideration:

This form is available for download on the Parish Council website:  
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