

Message from Keith Baldry - SHDC

Community Locality Fund - in 2012-13 grants were recommended and made to the Cricket Club (see earlier), the Athletics Association, YOYO, Yealmpton Community Association (YCA) and the Patients Group.

Sherford - it is 2 years since planning consent for the new town was given. Building work has not started. The developer has applied to the government for a loan in order to start work.

My Roles - following my re-election 2 years ago I was elected Leader of the Opposition. As a result I sit in a number of bodies. In addition I am a member of: Council Tax Setting Panel, Economy & Environment Scrutiny Panel, Joint Staff Consultation Panel, Political Structures Working Group, Shared Services Steering Group, Rural Broadband Working Group, Waste Review Group, Plymouth Fringe Panel. I see my primary role as councillor to represent and look after the interests of Yealmpton as a whole, its individuals and its groups.

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Recreation - Yealmpton is developing a **Parish Recreational Plan** to include tennis, netball & 5 a side football using funding initially from the developer of Kitley Place ... more on this as the plan develops.

Walking - we are hoping to make the footpath from Stray Park to Puslinch Bridge accessible for all, work to repair flood damage has been carried out.



Join us for walks in the parish the last Sunday in the month at 10.00am starting from Bakery Square.



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Message from Richard Yonge (YPC)

We have settled down into a good team with



all councillors attending monthly meetings & also innumerable smaller meetings. We achieved with the help of DCC & SHDC a clean and tidy village for the Jubilee weekend and the arrival of the Olympic Torch.



I thank all the councillors and the clerk and there are 2 people I wish to mention specially. Sally Moreton for all the work she has put into increasing the number of lettings of the Parish Room and ensuring the facilities are always clean. Helen Thom who resigned from the Council due to work and family commitments. Whilst she had her fingers in a lot of pies her most notable contribution was the help she gave to those people who were affected by the large amount of water that flowed through the village. She was also instrumental in ensuring Yealmpton was part of the Local Dementia Friendly Group (see later). YPC has been involved in collaboration with DCC and SHDC in several local issues which are featured below:

Affordable Housing

Thanks go to John Lawson and his Housing team for researching the need for affordable housing in Yealmpton. In September 2012 agreement was reached with Taylor Wimpey, Kitley Estates



and SHDC for the building of 60 dwellings at 'Kitley Place'. Of these dwellings ½ are to be affordable - a mixture of rental and part ownership. It is agreed that first priority will be given to people with a local connection, who are registered on the housing list as being in need (categories B,C,D). The development will also fund a new crossing, close to the entrance to Stray Park, and there is also a considerable sum for developing recreational facilities in the village (see later).

Flooding - during 2012 Yealmpton was flooded not once, not twice but 3 or 4 times. Whilst these events were catastrophic for those whose properties were flooded (sometimes several times), YPC found that the Emergency Plan was not constructed to cope with this type of problem. The plan was a useful source of contacts and available emergency shelter and will be revised in the light of recent



River Yealm 31 December 2012



Flooded - to be demolished

experience. Cllr William Mumford (DCC) has been co-ordinating the various agencies and their responses to the flooding especially the Environment Agency who have overall responsibility for the Yealm. Through his efforts Yealmpton is now one of the priority locations and a number of proposed measures to alleviate the impact of future flooding events are being worked through.

Silverbrige Way - construction of the path linking Yealmpton & Brixton has started, a bridge has been provided by DCC in addition to funding for this project.

Cricket - Cllr Mumford (DCC) has supported Yealm Cricket Club with funding to help create some all-weather nets. In addition Cllr Baldry (SHDC) has provided money to the Cricket Club through the Community Locality Fund.



Dementia Friendly Parishes - Cllr Mumford (DCC) helped launch and provide start-up funding for the dementia friendly parishes initiative around the Yealm. As the proportion of the population over 65 is set to soar from 20% to over 31% in the next 15 years the scale of the challenge is clear to see. Self-help initiatives are vital to help both the sufferers of dementia and provide essential support for their carers.

Crossing at the top of Torr Hill - YPC working with the Highways team at DCC have provided a crossing and refuge at the top of Torr Hill to make crossing there safer for pedestrians.



Message from William Mumford - DCC

Superfast Broadband - we have signed the £94m Connecting Devon and Somerset Rural Broadband contract which will see over 90% of Devon's premises gain access to super-fast broadband. This project will transform the way business is conducted and services provided throughout rural Devon.

Viridor - I was delighted that after a long process of objection Viridor have pulled their plans for an energy from waste plant at New England Quarry. This was a result of some tremendous local lobbying and some inspirational input from individuals and organisations.

