

**M INUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD
IN YCA COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 9th 2016 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Cllr. Craddock (Chairman) * Cllr. Baldry *
 Cllr. Endicott (Vice Chair) * Cllr. Stone *
 Cllr Thomas * Cllr. Tucker *
 Cllr. Healy @ Cllr. Barton *
 Cllr Pritchard * Cllr Yonge @
 * Denotes attendance @ Denotes absence

Also attending: Members of the public 3
 Police 1
 County Councillor 1
 District Councillor 0

1. APOLOGIES – Cllrs Healy and Yonge

2. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Potter advised the following crimes for January:
 Between 3rd and 5th burglary, garden shed broken into CR/000945/16
 Between 14th and 19th theft, motor cycle stolen CR/004710.

Speed Watch. A 4th volunteer has come forward. Details given to PCSO Potter

3a. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Hosking reported:

- A379 repair work expected to start in April 2016. Procedures to be reviewed by Highways Councillor (Hughes) in light of prolonged delays.
- Budget increase of 3.99% yet to be voted
- Boundary Commission proposals are published. Yealmpton Ward to remain but with 12 parishes instead of 10 with losses of parishes to the east and gains to the north.
- Bus stop now in place opposite Old Forge.
- Zebra crossing speed calculation still to be redone in term time.

Hosking

3b. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Baldry reported:

- SHDC precept increase of 1.99% is likely to be approved on Thursday
- Post Office changing hands on March 9th 2016 after 17 years. Chairman to write to Paul and Theresa thanking them for all that they have contributed to the village during their time at Yealmpton.
- Plymouth CAB not prepared to deal with Yealmptonians. Cllr Baldry agreed to talk to other South Hams councils to see if a group approach, with funding, may get Plymouth CAB to relax their current position.

Craddock

Baldry

Cllr Blackler's report not received.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Cllr Pritchard declared a pecuniary interest in #6.5
- Cllr Baldry declared an interest in #6.7

5. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Craddock proposed and Cllr Endicott seconded “that the minutes of the January 11th Monthly Meeting be signed as an accurate record”. Approved.

6 LOCAL ISSUES

6.1 Stray Park Playground fencing. Clerk advised that principal agreement for our plans had been agreed. Queries now raised by SHDC re gate suitability. Clerk is in discussion with manufacturers.

6.2 TAP funding projects. Of our 3 applications, only the road signs for Yeo Park roads were approved at £960. This to be processed by DCC in line with legislation.

6.3 Litter picking. A number of parishioners have expressed an interest in collecting litter in the village. It was proposed by Cllr Baldry, seconded by Cllr Thomas, “that Council fund equipment for volunteer groups up to £50 for up to 10 groups”. Passed unanimously. Cllr Craddock to arrange.

6.4 Trim Trail. Carried forward to March meeting for Cllr Stone to update.

6.5 Market Street Car Park. MSBRA has agreed that the YPC offer makes the scheme viable on an ongoing basis. Clerk to contact SHDC accordingly.

6.6 Arthur Tapper Garden. Eco Land Management has prepared draft plans and Clerk awaiting responses to his design queries. Costings will be in excess of the £5k grant but SHDC delighted if we will pay the excesses as applicable. The Clerk advises that additional Land Registry documents have been obtained for the site. YPC own the boundaries to the west and south of the site. The church yard wall is in good condition. Cllrs Thomas and Stone to email the Clerk with all known trees, shrubs, roses etc that have been placed there as ‘memorials’. An article to be put in Yealmpton Press asking families to identify their memorials in the garden.

6.7 Parish Church grant. It was proposed by Cllr Tucker and seconded by Cllr Stone “that YPC make a donation of £100 to the proposed building works at the Parish Church. Passed unanimously.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

7.1 2964/15/HHO. 8 Waltacre. Proposed 2 storey extension. No objection

7.2 No new applications

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

8.1 Cllr Craddock proposed and Cllr Baldry seconded the acceptance of the expenditure for the amount of £796.22. Approved unanimously.

8.2 Reserve levels. After some debate, it was agreed that “reserves should not drop below the value of the previous year’s precept”.

8.3 Financial Regulations. The circulated amended proposals were approved after 2 further changes 1) Paragraph 3, line 3 “The Clerk and the Lead Councillor for Finance may incur... “ and 2) Paragraph 10, replace £10,000 in two places, with £5,000. Document to then be sent to the Chairman for signing. The Clerk indicated the addition of clause 15 concerning compulsory pension provisions for any employer employing one or more persons as from January 2017.

9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

WORKS – None

FOOTPATHS - a) Peter Guy (DCC) is to replace poor signage on the Erme/Plym trail. b) All inspections complete and form passed to the Clerk,

Clerk
/Hosking

Craddock

Stone

Clerk

Thomas/Stone

Barton

Clerk

Clerk

- c) Cllrs Tucker and Yonge had met with Michael Bastard (MB) on site on FP20 to review options to reduce flooding risk. MB to consider removing some trees from the bank to improve flow. d) Clerk to send off all P3 documents and apply for grants for FP20 and FP15.
- Clerk**
- All Cllrs**
- Hosking**
- Pritchard**
- Craddock**
- HIGHWAYS** – a) Dog fouling on the increase but it seems that little can be done apart from ‘shaming’ the culprits. b) Now that more children are walking to school as a result of school gate closures, we need to push for the planned zebra crossing. Cllr Hosking agreed to get a new pv2 calculation in school term time.
- EMERGENCY PLAN** - a) Sandbag policy to be written up and article to be put in Yealmpton Press. b) Emergency Flood resilience grants available from DCC.
- c) Snow warden info sent to DCC d) Gary Streeter to call a meeting of interested parties to review lack of action from the EA for Yealmpton residents regarding the provision of ‘upstream’ holding reservoirs. Parish Room available free of charge.
- ENVIRONMENT** – None
- YOUTH** - Cllr Stone sadly reported the death of Colin Holston, our Youth Leader. Some ‘seniors’ are helping out. Phil Wicks is still in charge overall.

10. CORRESPONDENCE for discussion.

- 10.1 Cllr Pritchard to attend 2 Dementia Friendly Village meetings.
- 10.2 Luncheon Club closed and YCA asked to provide this service
- 10.3 Thanks for donations from Dementia Friendly Villages, Brixton & Yealmpton Scouts, YCA for building fund and Ivybridge Ring ‘n Ride
- 10.4 Email from Brixton PC regarding the condition of the SBW path surface on the way to the stream on east side. It was agreed to take no action until spring/summer.
- 10.5 Letter from Nic Butler advising that Yealm Guides has closed as a result of inadequate number of leaders.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting will be on Monday March 14th 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Community Room at YCA.

The meeting was closed at 9.39 pm.

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

February 9th 2016

Open Forum notes

(Please note that these notes are not part of the Council minutes)

None