

**M INUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
IN YCA COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY MARCH 14<sup>th</sup> 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 0

County Councillor 1

District Councillor 0

**1. APOLOGIES – Cllr Blackler and the Police**

**2. POLICE MATTERS**

PCSO Potter’s report for February was read:  
Overnight 31<sup>st</sup> Jan and 1<sup>st</sup> Feb arson, damage caused to cars at car business  
CR/006624/16  
12<sup>th</sup>, report of a theft of a wallet CR/009422/16  
12<sup>th</sup>, report of a dog not under proper control CR/010780/16

**3a. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr Hosking reported:

- A379 repair work expected to start in April 2016.
- Rates increase of 3.99%
- 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.
- Zebra crossing. Speed calculation still to be redone in term time. Planned meeting with Peter Brunt, Highways, next week to pursue re-instatement of project.
- Devolution project for “Devon and Somerset” planned to get 163000 more jobs and 179000 more homes.
- Broadband. Phase 1 covering 80% of population is complete. Phase2 out for tender. Phase 3 for last 5% will be completed using new technology.
- Locality Grant for 2016/17. Form to be sent to the Clerk for proposed Portable Speed sign for use by Yealmpton and Uggborough.

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**3b. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Cllr Baldry reported:

- SHDC is proposing to set up a ‘Trading Arm’. A Business Case is to be prepared at a cost of £200k.
- Thanks to Cllr Endicott for ‘feedback’ on outstanding enforcement cases
- SHDC 2 Planning portals on the internet are to be merged

Cllr Blackler’s report had been circulated to all councillors.

#### **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- None

#### **5. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

Cllr Craddock proposed and Cllr Endicott seconded “that the minutes of the February 8<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting be signed as an accurate record”. Approved.

#### **6 LOCAL ISSUES**

**Clerk** **6.1 Stray Park Playground fencing.** Clerk advised that he is awaiting final approval from SHDC. Council approved additional expenditure up to £500 if gates need to be upgraded.

**Clerk** **6.2 Arthur Tapper Memorial Garden.** The Clerk advised that SHDC has approved our project and a grant of £4,500 will be paid from the Langage Power Station S106 fund. Work on replanting to start on April 4<sup>th</sup> 2016.

**Clerk Tucker Stone** **6.3 Stray Park stream dam and filter.** Local volunteers are keeping the grating clear of rubbish. Concerns were raised about the adequacy of the pipe capacity down to the river. The Clerk was asked to contact SWW in an effort to get the pipe size increased. Cllr Tucker to review wall strengthening.

**6.4 Trim Trail.** Cllr Stone to speak to George Graham.

**Clerk** **6.5 DCC Locality Projects.** After discussion, it was agreed to apply for a portable ‘flashing speed sign’ in conjunction with Uggborough Parish Council. Clerk to apply to Councillor Hosking.

**Craddock** **6.6 Broadband in Parish Room.** Cllr Pritchard advised that the Yealm Dementia Group would like to use broadband when they use the Parish Room for group reading sessions. Cllr Craddock agreed to investigate the various options discussed and to find out about the SHDC grants for Parish Council broadband equipment.

**Clerk** **6.7 Revision of Standing Orders.** Cllr Craddock explained that YPC need to review Standing Orders. The Clerk will review all sections over a period of time and send revisions to councillors for approval at subsequent meetings.

**Clerk** **6.8 Dog bin at Kitley Place.** The ‘handover’ of Kitley Place by Taylor Wimpey (TW) to a new management company has not yet taken place. In the meantime, the waste bin onsite is not being emptied by anyone. At a recent meeting, TW agreed to empty the bin. The Clerk was asked to write to TW expressing concern that this was not happening and that residents’ health is at risk particularly because of dog faeces heaped up by the bin.

Cllr Stone has recently walked around the village with the Compliance Officer from SHDC who has indicated that £80 fines will be handed out to anyone ignoring the current dog faeces legislation. New notices have been posted to that effect.

It was suggested that anyone spotting offenders should report these people to SHDC on their website.

**Thomas/Stone** Cllrs Stone and Thomas suggested that it would be a good idea to set up a Village Facebook page so that instant communications would become available to those needing assistance on various village issues and they agreed to set up a suitable account.

**Stone** **6.9 Queen’s birthday commemorative medals.** It was agreed to pass on the details of this commercial incentive direct to the school.

#### **7. PLANNING MATTERS**

**Clerk** 7.1 0579/16/FUL. Erection of single dwelling on WI site. No objection

**Clerk** 7.2 0329/16/FUL. 22 Orchard Close. 2 storey front extension. Site meeting held and ‘No Objections’ registered.

Clerk

7.3 0468/16/HHO. 22 Church Park Close. Single storey extension. No objections raised but note to be added about unsuitability of proposed colour scheme.

**8. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

8.1 Cllr Craddock proposed and Cllr Thomas seconded the acceptance of the expenditure for the amount of £1432.65. Approved unanimously.

**9 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**WORKS** – None

**FOOTPATHS** - FP19. Complaint about mud !!

**HIGHWAYS** – The road sign for ‘Yealmbury Hill’ has fallen onto the road.

Clerk to report.

**ENVIRONMENT** - None

**EMERGENCY PLAN** – Cllr Pritchard reported that a meeting has been set up for April 8<sup>th</sup> at 4.30 pm in the Parish Room between Gary Streeter MP, the Environment Agency, Devon County Council and YPC (FP & KB) to review flood prevention actions.

**YOUTH** - None

**10. CORRESPONDENCE for discussion.**

10.1 Letters of thanks from CVS and St Bartholomew’s PCC for council donations.

10.2 Letter from a new Tesco fund inviting applications for ‘green projects’. It was considered that Yealmpton was unlikely to be successful in any bids against Ivybridge voters.

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next council meeting will be on Monday April 11<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Community Room at YCA.

The meeting was closed at 9.35 pm.

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

March 15<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Open Forum notes**

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

- Three members of the public raised their concerns about the provision and emptying of the dog bins in the village. They were advised that all SHDC refuse bins are now ‘dual purpose’ and can be use for dog faeces and general litter.

Please see agenda item 6.8 for a full statement about this problem.

The Clerk to write to SHDC to get ‘dual use’ labels attached to all bins.

Clerk