

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
YCA COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY JUNE 10th 2019 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Cllr Thomas (Chairman) * *
Cllr. Endicott (Vice Chair) * *
Cllr Craddock * Cllr. Tucker *
Cllr Cooper * Cllr. Barton *
Cllr Butters * Cllr Hyrdziuszka *
* Denotes attendance @ Denotes absence

Also attending: Members of the public 7
Police 0
County Councillor 1
District Councillor 1

1. APOLOGIES – Cllr Healey, Cllr Baldry, Clerk, Police

2. POLICE MATTERS – Report deferred to next month

3. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Baldry reported:

Since the last YPC meeting, South Hams has held its annual meeting. At that meeting appointments to Council positions and committees took place.

Cllr Rosemary Rowe was elected as Council Chairman for the year.

Cllr Judy Pearce (Con) was elected as Council Leader for 4 years to replace Cllr John Tucker who did not stand for re-election to SHDC

The political composition of the Council is 16 Conservatives, 10 Liberal Democrats, 3 Green Party and 2 Independents.

Cllr Julian Brazil (LD) was elected as Chairman of Development Management, Cllr John Birch (LD) as Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny.

I have been invited and have accepted a place on the Executive with the Environment portfolio. I remain Leader of the Opposition. I have said that I will not accept collective Executive responsibility and I retain the right to oppose decisions where I consider it necessary. This is unusual but not unique. Out of the newly elected Council 10 of the 31 councillors are new, including Dan Thomas. A turnover of one third is unusual. There has been an extensive programme of training, which continues.

At this week's Executive meeting the main item was Climate change. SHDC declared a Climate Change emergency. An action plan will be developed and South Hams will work with other Devon Councils including Devon CC and Plymouth to address the emergency.

Cllr Thomas added:

- He has visited West Pitten to view the site of a planning application.
- Cllr Baldry has advised re. the planning application for the old WI Hall that if the Planning Officer is minded to recommend approval,

he will request that it goes to Development Management Committee for consideration.

4. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Hosking advised of a request for the removal of the parking space at the junction of Herne Lane / A379 to facilitate building work. The Council expressed strong and unanimous opposition to such change.

Gully clearance in Church Lane is to be completed within 4 weeks from June 3rd.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Tucker re. his planning application.

6. MINUTES OF THE MAY COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Endicott proposed and Cllr Tucker seconded “that the minutes of the May 19th Monthly Meeting be signed as an accurate record” with the correction to the date of this meeting. Approved

7. REPORTS ON ALLOCATED AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

7.0.Revised allocations:

As per sheet issued May 19 with following amendments:

Press liaison: Cllr Cooper to assist

Finance policy: Clerk + Cllr Thomas

Highways, Transport, Speedwatch/signs: Cllrs Healey + Tucker

Environment & Emergency Plan: Cllrs Tucker + Hyrdziuska

Works: Cllrs Craddock + Butters

Clerk to update and re-issue to Council.

Clerk

7.1 WORKS

Cllr Craddock reported that he had been asked if the stones and foliage covering a cesspit in the memorial Garden could be removed to facilitate better clearance.

Council agreed that this could be done before an emptying date is next set.

Craddock

Ascertain when the next clearance is planned.

The Community Payback team have painted the two gates to the Memorial Garden.

Clerk / Thomas

The Assets Register has been updated. Check whether the bench in Stray Park is a Council asset or owned by SHDC

Parish Room electrics have been examined and a recent fault tripping sockets identified as a faulty kettle. This has been disposed of and a replacement is being purchased.

Clerk

The water heater socket in the kitchen is loose and needs attention.

Clerk

Possible faulty sensor in toilet? Check when electrician visit arranged.

External socket by front door was inoperative – fuse replaced in fused spur unit.

Craddock

External socket in centre of Bakery Square not operative – suspect it is connected to the controlled circuit supplying the new lights. Investigate further.

Consumer Unit has four MCBs marked Hall Heater, Left Heater, Right Heater and Club Heater; there are only two heaters in the main room fed from Club and Left so the purpose of Right remains unknown.

Craddock

Wood above entrance door to be repaired by Mens’ Shed.

7.2 FOOTPATHS

Justin Robbins has arranged to meet with Mr Richards re. path by the old Shire Horse Centre. Entrance to caves along FP20 still needs to be made safe.

7.3 HIGHWAYS – nothing to report

7.4 EMERGENCY PLAN & ENVIRONMENT – nothing to report

7.5 COMMUNICATION

The new footpath map has been received and is awaiting framing and mounting by Mens' Shed. The Newsletter is about to be finalised; awaiting biography of Cllr Yonge.

7.6 YOUTH - nothing to report

8. LOCAL ISSUES

8.1 Actions from previous minutes completed or in-hand

8.2 Bowden Triangle Project – Clerk obtaining quotes, to be reviewed next month.

Clerk

8.3 Weed spraying – It was agreed to conduct a trial on a section of pavement from Elm Tree Farm to Christmas Cottage whereby Kate Hopkins will plant some suitable wildflowers and the spraying with glyphosate suspended for a season. A review of parishioners opinions of the benefits / disadvantages of ongoing weed spraying will be made once this trial is complete.

Clerk

Advise contractor not to spray this area.

8.4 Market Street carpark – we have no contract with SHDC and it was agreed that no further action is appropriate unless or until a request is received for payment.

8.5 Herne lane parking – as noted under item 4. The council agreed unanimously that it opposes any change to the long-established status quo. Alternative access is available from the south.

9. PLANNING MATTERS

App No: 1469/19/FUL Mr C Tucker – site visit to be arranged *

1588/19/HHO & 1319/19/ARC Site adjacent to The Orchard Hern Lane – no action required

1433/19/HHO – unanimous No Objection

1569/19/FUL West Pitton Barns – No objection with caveat that land to be for amenity use only with no further residential development.

1459/19/FUL Dental Surgery – unanimous No Objection

1381/19/ARC Barn at Hall Torrs – site visit to be arranged. *

** Arranged post-meeting for 5:30 pm Thursday 13th June, meet at Hall Torrs Barn.*

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

10.1 Expenditure per statement was approved unanimously.

10.2. Council approved a grant of £500 to the Yealmpton Cricket Club towards the installation of CCTV.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting will be on Monday, July 8th at 7.30 p.m. in the Community Room at YCA. The meeting was closed at 9:30 pm.

G Craddock for M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council 11/06/19

OPEN FORUM NOTES

- a). Concern about roadworks for zebra crossing and extent of disruption, especially clash with work on Yealmbury Hill.
- b). Spraying weeds with Roundup (glyphosate): resident concerned that POE surfactant remained in soil for months and requested that spraying ceased. The Chairman said that the issue was contentious and many people would want the village kept tidy. This was discussed further under agenda item 8.3.

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