

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN YCA COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9th 2019 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Cllr Thomas (Chairman) * Cllr Healy *

Cllr. Endicott (Vice Chair) * Cllr Baldry *

Cllr Craddock * Cllr. Tucker *

Cllr Cooper * Cllr. Barton *

Cllr Butters * Cllr Hyrdziuska @

* Denotes attendance @ Denotes absence

Also attending: Members of the public 24

Police 0

County Councillor 1

1. APOLOGIES – Cllr Hyrdziuska and the Police

2. POLICE MATTERS –

In the absence of the Police, the Clerk read the incidents in July & August.

Police Report July 2019

4th , theft of a cheque CR/061347/19

8th , report of a dog not under proper control CR/062836/19

16th , theft CR/066494/19

Police Report August 2019

Between 2nd and 28th four minor common assaults recorded, same suspect same victim CR/069531/070687/078110/078132/19.

3rd , burglary dwelling CR/069888/19

7th , burglary dwelling CR/072931/19

11th , dog not under proper control CR/074358/19

21st ,assault CR/075742/19

28th , theft of alloy wheels from back garden CR/078227/19

28th , burglary non-dwelling , garage entered property stolen CR/078313/19

Clerk

Clerk to contact the police regarding a car stolen from Stray Park.

3. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllrs Baldry and Thomas reported:

Baldry

- Councillor training on the subject of “Planning Legislation” is to be held on October 7th in conjunction with Newton & Noss councillors.

Baldry

- An on-line petition is to be organised to ask DCC for “speed bumps” in Butts Park, Newton Ferrers.

4. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Hosking advised:

Hosking

- New cowls have been fitted to the belisha beacons on the new zebra crossing.
- Work on the collapsed road from Flete West to Holbeton is to commence immediately. Diversions via Dunstone and Newton Ferrers will be in place.
- Crimestoppers. Notices are to be posted around and on social media to raise awareness to alert the public to reporting crime.

- Funding for 2020/21. Government has announced an additional £2.9 billion for adult social care and an additional £2.6 billion for schools. Devon will benefit significantly from both these increases.
- The A379 road lane closure to the west of Modbury will be ‘long term’ as no repair plans have yet been made.
- The redesign of the A3121 junction with the A379 at Flete has a high priority from Central government. Preferred option yet to be approved.
- Drop kerbs in Yealmpton. 5 kerbs were identified and these have now been programmed for action.
- Hern Lane parking space. An application has been made for a temporary suspension of this space. It is recommended that the dedicated user of this space comes to an agreement with the developer in Hern Lane for mutual convenience.
- Tree planting at Elm Tree Park. Approval from YPC awaited and a plan from the initiators. Consultation with residents is a sound idea.

Colton

User

Bee Friendly

Questions to Cllr Hosking:

Hosking

Hosking

Colton

1. Can we have more (repeat) 30mph signs on the A379?
2. Can we have another approved position for the “speed sign” in the centre of the village?
3. Will DCC please remove the vegetation covering the local DCC road signs?

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Endicott and Healy declared an interest in agenda item 8.6

6. MINUTES OF THE JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Butters proposed and Cllr Healy seconded “that the minutes of the July 8th Monthly Meeting be signed as an accurate record”. Approved.

7. REPORTS ON ALLOCATED AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Craddock

Tucker

Healy

Clerk

1. **WORKS:** a) Bakery Square seat under the tree is starting to rot. Will need attention. b) Bakery Square new planter under discussion.
2. **FOOTPATHS:** a) New seat on FP20 (riverbank) is greatly admired. b) FP20 in Stray Park still requires resurfacing. Cllr Tucker to attend to this urgently. c) FP18 closed for Karst hole repairs.
3. **HIGHWAYS:** a) Police speed cameras have been visiting the village. b) A village speed watch needs to be organised. c) Damage to the pavements in Stray park due to South West Water works have been investigated. Action awaited. d) Autumn weed spraying has started.
4. **EMERGENCY PLAN & ENVIRONMENT:** a) Ash ‘die back’ will hit the village so we must be observant in order that dangerous trees be felled. b) Some garden hedges are now overlapping the pavements and highways and need to be cut back.
5. **COMMUNICATION:** Spare copies of the newsletter and directory will be available from the YCA office.

6. **YOUTH:** a) The Youth Club will start up again on September 11th after the summer break. b) The Youth Bus from Ivybridge will be parking in the bus stop bay opposite the Volunteer on Tuesday evenings.

8. LOCAL ISSUES

Craddock

1. Outstanding actions from previous minutes. Work on the “polygon” bench at the Primary School has yet to commence.
2. Bowden Triangle Project. Council agreed to be responsible for ongoing maintenance charges following the ‘revamp’ to be organised by Mr Durman. Council to pay £1000 for ‘revamp’ work on presentation of invoices.

Thomas/Clerk

3. Market Street car park. The Clerk advised that a credit note has been received from SHDC for historic rental charges. The Clerk explained that SHDC was seeking a new agreement for the car park rental with effect from April 2020. Cllr Thomas agreed to set up a meeting with the Chairman of the Market Traders & Residents Association to agree a payment formula before talking to SHDC.
4. Traffic signs for Yealm Park. The Clerk advised that it is legal for residents to display signs such as “Slow, children playing” on private ground but not on the highways.

**Clerk/
Barton**

5. Kingston Fire Station. Council agreed to support the campaign to retain Kingston Fire Station. Clerk to complete the public questionnaire. Clerk to circulate to Cllrs for their personal completions. Cllr Barton to put onto social media.

Thomas

6. Elm Tree Park green space planting. “Bee Wild” has a proposal to plant apple trees on the two grassed areas at the entry to Elm Tree park. DCC will make a decision when the proposal is known but it must have the backing of YPC. After a discussion about potential problems, Cllr Baldry proposed and Cllr Craddock seconded that “Council agrees with the proposal in principle “as designed”. Passed. Cllr Thomas to circulate the design.

Cooper

7. Parish Room Broadband. The Clerk explained that this service is now costing YPC £49.49 per month. As only one user group use this facility, the Clerk recommended that we drop the service as it was just not a paying proposition and is not encouraging new users to the Parish Room. Cllr Cooper agreed to review these costs and negotiate better terms with existing or new supplier.

9. PLANNING MATTERS

New applications:

Clerk

2556/19/FUL. Single storey dwelling on Bowden Hill. **Objection:** this site is outside the Yealmpton Development Boundary. Traffic concerns which are a DCC Highways issue.

Clerk

2520/19/FUL. Remove and replace garage and build 2 new houses on Paddyacre garden site, Bowden Hill. **Objection.** Overdevelopment and vehicular access problems of safety onto Bowden Hill.

Confirmation of earlier applications.

2337/19/HHO. 19, Ploughman Way. 2 storey extension. Approval.

2260/19/FUL. The Old Forge, Yealmbridge. Extension to residential curtilage. Approval subject to no further residential or commercial development of the site.

2639/19/PDM The Barn at Western Farm, Worston. No submission as this is a 'Q' application.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

10.1 Cllr Endicott proposed and Cllr Baldry seconded that the financial statement be approved. Approved unanimously. It was agreed to pay 50% of the Market Street car park 'clear up' from 2018.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk

1. SHDC will not be charging retrospectively for grass cutting from previous years. Prices agreed for 2019.
2. Worston Nurseries are closing. Clerk to contact Fordebrooke Nurseries, Brixton. Clerk to cost new pots for all 24 locations.
3. Council Tax support grant. The Clerk advised that this government grant will cease in 2020.
4. Cycling on pavements in the village. There is no action that YPC can take in this matter.
5. Yealm Energy Community projects. Councillors to consider any projects that YPC may wish to fund through this source.

All Cllrs

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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

The meeting was closed at 10.15 pm

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

10/09/19

OPEN FORUM NOTES

(These notes do not form part of the Council minutes)

Thomas

1. A parishioner complained about the dirty state of the bus shelter opposite the Volunteer.
2. Regarding delays in getting doctor appointments. Cllr Thomas confirmed that he would speak to Dr Davies now the holidays are over.
3. Puslinch Bridge. A parishioner has contacted the Environment Agency (EA) to advise that one of the two archways at Puslinch Bridge is entirely blocked. Council believes that this is a matter for the EA and not DCC.
4. Residents of Bowden Hill expressed concern about the planning application for a large bungalow particularly because it is seen as being outside of the Village Development area. They will be objecting and asked YPC to support their views.
5. Yealm Estuary Cycle route. With the continued interest in cycling, a parishioner wished to remind Council that the agreement with Kitley Estate and Devon County Council (DCC) was up for review in two years' time even though it has a minimum term of 15 years up to 2026.
6. The owner of Christmas Cottage complained about the speed of traffic passed the house on Market Street. The speed statistics from our data collector were given. Also, a recent police speed trap by Mother Hubbard's indicated speed limit observance with only one vehicle exceeding 30 mph.

Clerk

A request was also made to improve the visibility of the 30 mph signs when entering the village. Clerk to contact DCC. Council agreed to ask DCC for additional sites in the centre of the village for our “electronic speed sensor” signs.

Clerk

7. A request was made for the “Parking limits” sign outside the Village Store to be moved centrally on the parking bay for three cars.

Clerk

8. What can we do about a car left in the Market Street car park now that the owner has moved to Brixton ? Please send registration details to the Clerk.

9. Luscombe Maye came to make the case for approval of the planning application for the Barn, Western farm, Worston. YPC advised that it would not be submitting any comment on this “Q” application.

10. A request was made for YPC to chase the replacement road sign for Bowden Hill. Clerk to email SHDC.

Clerk

11. The “Bee Wild” chairperson explained their plan to place heritage fruit trees along the two visibility splays at the entrance to Elm Tree Park. They will grow to no higher than the fencing of adjacent properties. They will retain responsibility for annual tree pruning. Councillors Cooper and Healy expressed concern at this project which would not help traffic visibility for traffic emerging from Elm Tree Park. Spring flowering bulbs would also be advocated. Cllr Baldry stated that SHDC would need to confirm that any planting will not affect their ability to regularly and neatly cut the grass.

12. A parishioner raised objections to the planning application at Paddyacre, Bowden Hill. The plans for two detached houses show overdevelopment of a small site. The balconies on the front of each house will also invade the privacy of the houses opposite in Stray Park.