

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD
REMOTELY ON ZOOM ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH 2020 AT 7.00 PM**

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

Also attending:	Members of the public	1
	County Councillor	1

This meeting was held remotely on Zoom as Coronavirus outbreak has forbidden public meetings. The public were invited to attend.

1. APOLOGIES – Cllrs Cooper and Hyrdziuszka

2. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Baldry reported:

- A revised budget has been put forward for consideration on 24th Sept as a result of the Covid-19 crisis which would lead to a £1.2 million deficit. Using some reserves is an option for consideration.
- Ivybridge swimming pool has now re-opened but pre booking is required.

3. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Hosking reported:

- Children returned to school from Sept 1st with attendance reported at 92.5%. 70 additional transport vehicles provided to ensure social distancing issues.
- Patching of road to Ivybridge has been delayed. No new date yet available.
- DCC will review the options to prevent flooding into Church Lane
- Slight increase in Coronavirus in Devon over last 2 weeks.
- Need to consider re-introducing lengthsman to deal with local flooding and drainage issues.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

No declarations

5. MINUTES OF THE JULY and AUGUST COUNCIL MEETINGS

5a. Cllr Endicott proposed and Cllr Craddock seconded “that the minutes of the July virtual Council Meeting be approved as an accurate record”. Passed.
Chairman to sign at a later date.

5b. Cllr Endicott proposed and Cllr Baldry seconded “that the minutes of the August virtual Council Meeting be approved as an accurate record”. Passed. Chairman to sign at a later date.

6. REPORTS ON ALLOCATED AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

6.1 WORKS: a) Community Payback services will revert to the Probation Services in 2021. No work done at present as mini-bus use is prohibited. B) Cllr Tucker to fit new bench at Elm Tree Close.

Tucker

6.2 HIGHWAYS: a) Messrs Colton, Thomas and the Clerk have reviewed the parking situation at Speculation and recommend “no action” at present. b) Speed Watch – no plans to resume activity at present. We have 3 new volunteers who need training – now done on-line. c) The second speed device is available from Ugborough PC. To be collected. Cllr Healy to ask Steve Holley to collect. To be erected on the pole on the pedestrian safety refuge by Stray Park. To be facing westwards. Bracket to be ordered by Clerk. d) Dunstone car park. Cllr Tucker to set out parking bays with post delineation. Cllr Tucker to cut highway bank grass to improve visibility.

Healy
Clerk

Tucker

6.3 COMMUNICATIONS: a) The website has been updated to comply with new legislation regarding “access for all”. b) All Cllrs to check that they do not have an email address of six@talktalk.net on their computer. c) Dr Durman is continuing to update the Village Emergency Plan. D) Dr Durman expects further Covid-19 restrictions to be placed on local groups who will need out support. We need a connection with someone in every street/road to take ‘control’ of the residents. E) Cllr Thomas considers that it may be sensible to send the Yealmpton Press to all parishioners in future to ensure a line of communication to all residents. For Precept consideration for 2021.

All Cllrs

6.4 FOOTPATHS. a) FP19 Shire Horse fields. Mr Richards has indicated to Cllr Thomas that he will not support our request for a circular path to the Toll House and return along the river bank. A meeting to be set up. Information is being sought from the Land Registry re Cadlew’s Lane. B) FP24 and FP25. Steps are too steep and may need handrails to meet safety standards. Cllr Barton to involve Peter Guy, DCC, in this discussion. C) FP48. The overhanging trees need to be removed. Clerk to write to adjacent landowner. D) Dog bins on FP20. Cllr Barton to talk to SHDC about improving bin capacity on this path. E) A379 footpath has been kept clear this year without local complaints.

Thomas

Clerk

Barton
Clerk
Barton

7. LOCAL ISSUES

7.1 Telephone box. Has now been repaired.

7.2 Quiet Lanes. Council has been asked to consider getting involved in a campaign for “quiet lanes”. After some debate, Council agreed that this would not be supported as there is no way of satisfactorily ‘policing’ this initiative. Clerk to respond to letter.

Clerk

7.3 Neighbourhood Plan. Five volunteers have responded to the request for team members. Cllrs Thomas, Endicott, Cooper and Craddock are also prepared to join the sub-committee. Invitations to the Steering Group to be advised by Cllr Thomas at a later date. A speaker/advisor will be invited to address the team.

Thomas

7.4 Recycling changes. Cllr Baldry advised that collection rounds have been reviewed in order to balance the rounds times. As a result, your day may change from October. From March 2021, additional recycling will include glass, food waste, batteries and plastics on a weekly basis.

- Clerk**
- Thomas**
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- 7.5 Memorial Garden.** A request from Jean Parsons, the daughter of Arthur Tapper, to set up a small plaque in the garden was unanimously approved.
- 7.6 Environment Subcommittee.** An appeal for members to be put in the Yealm Press. Cllr Thomas to call a meeting of interested parties in the near future. A decision to be taken later on whether we join the Climate Emergency movement. Cllr Tucker to join the committee.
- 7.7 Yealmbridge gauging station.** Letters sent to all residents. One response agreeing that new technology adequate without retaining old equipment.
- 7.8 Verge notices.** Cllr Baldry advised that 'Beewild' have not put up notices as promised regarding uncut verges.

8. PLANNING MATTERS.

- No new applications.
- Building on old WI site. Some concern about pavement access safety. Cllr Baldry advised that work is within consent conditions.

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- Cllr Tucker proposed and Cllr Baldry seconded that the financial statement of £1044.63 be approved. Approved.
- Cllr Craddock to set up meeting for Emergency Fund members.

Craddock

10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next remote meeting was set for October 12th at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.50 pm

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

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