

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE YCA COMMUNITY ROOM ON JULY 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:**

Cllr Thomas	*	Cllr. Baldry	*
Cllr. Craddock	*	Cllr Mackay	*
Cllr. Endicott	*	Cllr. Tucker	@
Cllr. Healy	*	Cllr. Barton	*
Cllr. Durman	*	Cllr Hopkins	*

\* Denotes attendance                      @ Denotes absence

**Also attending:**

Members of the public	4
County Councillor	1

**1. APOLOGIES AND RESIGNATIONS**

- Apologies for absence from Cllr Tucker.
- Cllr Healy confirmed that he is standing down as from the end of this meeting. Cllr Craddock thanked Patrick for the work that he had put into council business over the last 10 years. This was ratified by all.

**2. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR THOMAS**

1 Dr Phil Norey, DCC Chief Exec for many years, is taking early retirement at the end of the summer

2 Devon CC are at risk of an 'overspend' of £40million this year. Savings options are under investigation. Beware!!

3 At Cabinet this Wednesday, a report will be submitted detailing the next steps in the county wide 20mph speed trial.

**4 Project launched to equip young people with entrepreneurial skills**

A new project has been launched to support young people in Devon to develop key employability skills and gain an insight into entrepreneurship.

'Young Entrepreneurs' is being funded through our £6million recovery programme in response to the pandemic.

Devon has a high number of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and micro-businesses, so provision of good quality enterprise education is vital in preparing young people for their future employment in the county if they plan to be self-employed or work in small enterprises.

The initiative is being delivered through four organisations:

1. SETSquared and Volt Entrepreneurs Ltd
2. South Devon College
3. Space Youth Services
4. Young Enterprise

The Young Entrepreneurs project supports the delivery of enterprise education across Devon, particularly in disadvantaged communities. It aims to allow young people to consider alternative routes into employment and will encourage them to pursue their ideas and aspirations to create new businesses and products.

More at [www.devon.gov.uk/news/project-launched-to-equip-young-people-](http://www.devon.gov.uk/news/project-launched-to-equip-young-people-)

### **5 Lower-income households invited to apply for free energy efficiency improvements to their homes**

Residents in a household with an income of less than £30,000 a year, who live in Devon or Torbay, may be eligible for free energy efficiency improvements to their home worth thousands of pounds.

From this week members of the public can check their eligibility and apply through the Cosy Devon website ([www.cosydevon.com](http://www.cosydevon.com)).

The scheme is being delivered by the Cosy Devon partnership which consists of Devon County Council (DCC), East Devon, Mid Devon, North Devon, South Hams, Teignbridge and Torridge District Councils, Torbay Council, West Devon Borough Council, Exeter City Council and Plymouth City Council.

It follows the partnership securing nearly £10m of government funding. The scheme will offer householders the chance to improve their homes by ensuring that they are warmer, less draughty, and less damp.

Improvements will also reduce their energy bills and lower their home's carbon emissions. More than 20 per cent per cent of Devon's carbon emissions are caused by our homes.

Devon has higher levels of fuel poverty (13%) than the UK (10.6%). Many homes in Devon need substantial investment and the Cosy Devon partnership is committed to reducing Devon's domestic carbon footprint and lifting communities out of fuel poverty.

The scheme is available to Devon residents who have an annual combined household income of less than £30,000 and whose homes have an energy Performance Certificate rating of E, F or G.

If you are a homeowner, and live in that property, you can access funding to cover 100 per cent of costs to retrofit your home up to a cap.

### **3. REPORT FROM DISTRICT CLRS BALDRY & THOMAS**

- Sustainable South Hams. We are encouraged to look at the website. Cllr Barton to put a link on the parish website.
- Refuse collection services. An announcement to be made by SHDC on July 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Development Management Committee has rejected the application by Aldi to build a new supermarket over the town car park. Aldi may consider alternative sites not in town centre.

### **4. COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None

### **5. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

It was proposed by Cllr Baldry and seconded by Cllr Thomas that the minutes of the June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Council Meeting be signed as a true record. Carried.

### **6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) **Works.** a) FP30 railings have been painted. B) Jason to clear weeds from pedestrian refuge by Farm Shop. C) Yealm Park residents Assoc'n has taken possession of the surplus notice board. Asset to be deleted from our listing. D) The Toll Hut at Dunstone Cross has been refurbished to an excellent standard.
- b) **Footpaths.**
  1. Minimise flooding on FP20. Cllrs Tucker and Barton to agree work

**Barton**

**Craddock**

**Tucker/Barton**

schedule and cost for approval in September. Work to be carried out by Mr Tucker. **3.** FP32 needs the two gates by the old railway line fastened open permanently to allow invalid access. Clerk to write to SHDC. **4.** Karst hole in FP18. Whilst not the responsibility of YPC, Mr Tucker has made a good job in making the area safe for dogs and pedestrians. **5.** Steps at top of FP24 still awaiting attention.

**Clerk  
Clerk  
Craddock**

**c) Highways.** 1. James Roberts to clear debris off path the path to Y'bridge  
2. Cllr Craddock to clear vegetation from Y'bridge bus stop and village sign.

**d) Environment.** Bio diversity continuing with Bee-Wild. See 7a for more.

**e) Emergency.** Note EXTREME HEAT WARNING for this area.

**f) Communications.** New data management plan has been issued by Cllr Barton. "Miscellaneous" file to be added. Cllr Barton will set this up over a period of time. A "miscellaneous" file to be added.

**Barton**

**g) Speed signs.** 1. Cllr Mackay agreed to take on Speedwatch at Council level. 2. Cllr Mackay to check two devices with battery problems?

**Mackay**

## **7. LOCAL ISSUES**

**a)** Environment sub group. Cllr Thomas has established that 5 members of the subcommittee are interested in continuing and are happy with "Terms of Ref" except for the 5-year plan creation. They to convene a meeting. They will update the Policy Document and Action Plan and Terms of Reference for the sub group. They to elect a chairperson and report back to Council through Cllr Durman.

**Durman**

**b)** Garden waste enquiry from Chairman. A response is being prepared by SHDC. Last week, all brown bins collected in Yealmpton.

**c)** Parish Survey. It was confirmed that the full report would be published on the parish web site with a 2-page summary going into the Yealm Press. A subcommittee for "road and pavements" to be set up (Durman, Baldry, Tucker, Mackay, Thomas). Cllr Durman to cover the sport section. "Active travel" to be headed by Cllr Hitchins to cover the wider area. Cllr Thomas has not heard from the police. Youth Services. Cllr Thomas has established that "TRAY" (Totnes Youth) can include Yealmpton.

**All Cllrs**

It was agreed that monthly updates be put in the Yealmpton Press on a regular basis.

Cllr Durman to give Cllr Thomas a letter regarding bus services.

## **8. PLANNING MATTERS**

The subcommittee made the following decision for ratification:

- The Sidings, Riverside Walk. Construction of new dwelling. Approved, Cllr Endicott proposed and Cllr Craddock seconded the acceptance of this decision. Passed unanimously.

## **9. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Cllr Baldry proposed and Cllr Thomas seconded the acceptance of July expenditure of £7,772.09. Agreed unanimously.

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE.**

None.

## **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting is on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the Yealmpton Community Centre.

The meeting was declared closed at 8.50 p.m.

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

July 18th 2022

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**Open Forum.**

**Note: These notes do not form any part of the Council minutes.**

1. Mr Rowe thanked Cllr Barton and all concerned in the work that has gone on for two years in an endeavour to establish and re-establish historic public rights-of-way across the land owned by the Shire Horse Centre.