

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF YEALMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
THE YCA COMMUNITY ROOM ON OCTOBER 10th 2022 AT 7.30PM**

Present:

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

* Denotes attendance

@ Denotes absence

Also attending:

Members of the public 3

County Councillor 1

Before the start of the formal meeting, Cllr Craddock invited Anna Malone to update Council on the work of the Yealmpton and Brixton Community Friendship project. (See Open Forum notes below).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from Cllrs Durman and Barton.

2. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR THOMAS

a. County launches its carbon plan.

The Devon Carbon Plan is the roadmap for how Devon will reach net-zero emissions by 2050, at the latest. It has been built on detailed, ongoing assessments of Devon's greenhouse gas emissions. Its publication follows a summer which as the joint hottest on record, where the impact of human-induced climate change has never been more apparent. The Plan's launch marks the beginning of a new phase of action – it is crucial that everyone in Devon now works to implement the Plan.

Broadly speaking, emissions in Devon can be divided into five key sectors: economy and resources; energy supply; food, land and sea; transport; and the built environment. The Devon Carbon Plan outlines actions for how each of these sectors can reach net-zero emissions by 2050, and how people at every level can contribute – including individuals, communities, organisations and local policy makers.

You can find it at www.devonclimateemergency.org.uk/view-devon-carbon-plan/

b. U-turn on Councillor locality budgets

Cllr Hart has decided to bring back our £8000 annual locality budgets after much negative feedback. Members successfully argued the importance of the budget as a funding source for small scale parish council projects. Please consider how a payment could help your parish.

c. Public Health Nursing launches online support and guidance for young people and parents.

Life can be difficult enough sometimes, and for children and young people, those day-to-day interactions with others, your attitude about yourself, your relationships with people at home, at school or work, can be especially overwhelming.

It's also a challenge for parents and carers seeing changes in their child's behaviour or personality and not really knowing what's going on or the best way to support them.

We have launched the latest in a trio of websites dedicated to providing help

and advice for young people, and parents, from pre-natal right through to teenage years.

- Health for under 5s (www.healthforunder5s.co.uk/devon/) – pre-natal up to children aged five, was launched earlier this year.
 - Health for Kids (www.healthforkids.co.uk/devon/) – the primary school years – includes games, videos, and quizzes. It's split into four 'worlds': healthy bodies, healthy minds, health issues and getting help. It's aimed more at the parents and carers.
 - Health for Teens (www.healthforteens.co.uk/devon/) – the secondary school years – is for young people and their parents and carers and tackles the issues many teens go through as their bodies change, and they become more self-aware, while also still working out who they are.
- The sites welcome any additions from residents. If you have any content, articles or local events you would like to submit for consideration please email: health.publichealthnursinghealthwebsites-mailbox@devon.gov.uk
- d. Yealm Park. Road resurfacing in progress. Pavements to be resurfaced next financial year.
- e. Yealmbridge road bridge. Bridge has been surveyed. Roadway sound but one side wall needs further inspection.

3. REPORT FROM DISTRICT CLLRS BALDRY & THOMAS

SHDC has successfully brought the recycling activity back 'in house' as of October 4th. Cllr Baldry thanked the staff responsible for their hard work to re-establish this service. Garden waste collections were 100% last week. Garden waste collections will cease at the end of October and will be re-introduced as a chargeable service in Spring 2023. Charge will be £49 per annum for one bin. A maximum of two bins will be allowed.

There has been no noticeable increase in fly tipping recently.

4. COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

5. MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

It was proposed by Cllr Mackay and seconded by Cllr Tucker that the minutes of the September 12th, 2022 Council Meeting be signed as a true record. Carried.

6.COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) **Works.** 1. Jason to reset the step on FP25. 2. Cllr Craddock expressed concern that the 'Works contract' was not yielding the expected results. He asked Council to consider whether we should employ a workman next year.
2. Cllr Thomas to order Christmas trees.
- b) **Footpaths.** 1. The application for the new PROW on Shire Horse land may be delayed for 18 months. 2. FP24. DCC has repaired steps and handrail.
3. FP10 & 48 still need strimming.
- c) **Highways.** Cllr Durman's report had been followed up by the Clerk with DCC Highways. Councillors were disappointed with responses.
- d) **Environment.** 1. The sub committee has not met and Cllr Hopkins is no longer a member. 2. Cllr Baldry confirmed that there is a SHDC environment fund available. Cllr Hopkins to make an application.
- e) **Emergency.** No report.
- f) **Communications.** No report.
- g) **Speed signs.** Speed sign problems to be established and resolved.

Thomas/All

Clerk

Hopkins

Mackay

Hopkins
Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

All public

7.LOCAL ISSUES

- a) Police report. Cllr Durman report had been circulated. Contact has been made with the police and foot patrols have restarted in the village.
- b) Cllr Hopkins to get volunteers to look after nominated flower planters.
- c) It was agreed that the Ukraine flag should continue to be flown in Bakery Square until further notice.
- d) High Speed broadband. Council agreed that Wildanet should make a presentation on available services either in Jan or Feb as suitable.
- e) Stray Park fencing. Council approved the motion to spend £1265 on the repair and upgrade to the perimeter fence which has been vandalised. Proposed by Cllr Craddock and seconded by Cllr Baldry.
- f) Clerk recruitment. A job description has been written. An advertisement has been posted and the last date for applications is November 14th.
- g) Councillor recruitment. No applications have been received by the Clerk.
- h) Vandalism. Cllr Barton reported vandalism both on the athletics field and in Bakery Square. IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THESE EVENTS TO BE REPORTED DIRECTLY TO THE POLICE ON 111. They are now aware of village problems and are attending as necessary.

8.PLANNING MATTERS

The subcommittee had made no decisions for ratification this month.

9.FINANCIAL MATTERS36

Cllr Thomas proposed and Cllr Endicott seconded the acceptance of September expenditure of £2,672.49. Agreed unanimously.

10.CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Thanks from Samaritans and Brownies for our donations.
- b. Email from St Bartholomew Church regarding vandalism. The Clerk has replied.
- c. Kitley Caves Project. Public Engagement evening is on October 21st at 7.30pm.

11.DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is on Monday, November 14th 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the Yealmpton Community Centre.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.20 pm.

M J Stickland, Clerk to Yealmpton Parish Council

October 13th 2022

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Open Forum.

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

Anna Malone had been invited to talk to the council meeting about the work of the Yealmpton and Brixton Community Friendship project.

The purpose of the project is to 'recruit' volunteers who are prepared to 'befriend' local people who are suffering from loneliness and isolation in their homes and to help them access the schemes and services available from local and government agencies.

At present, there are 9 volunteers and 10 clients in the scheme. Because most of the clients are housebound, the relationship needs to be on a one-to-one basis. The scheme, which started in 2017, targets to have 30 volunteers and 30 'clients' by the end of 2024.

Activities range from simply chatting to playing cards, playing Scrabble and word games and even watching TV programmes to get conversations started.

An important part of the help available is to introduce the clients to the available social services such as CVS, CAB and Samaritans. Assistance in completing claim forms for such as Attendance Allowances is also essential.

At present there are 2 more volunteers being trained and another 5 on the training list. As Anna only works 10 hours per week on this project, there is no more available capacity at present to accept any more volunteers or clients. Anna's interest has always been in the Voluntary Sector and has experience with all the main agencies.

More funding is required so that more admin staff can be recruited.