

RIVER YEALM & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity No 262929.

MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING Held at 7PM TUESDAY 7th September 2021

Present: Chris Bradley, Lesley Dempsey, Robin Forrester, Alan Lomax, Christopher Lunn, Peggy Robinson, Drew Stevens, Suzanne Sparrow (via Zoom)

1. **Welcome and Apologies** – Apologies received from Peter Hall, Peter Faulkner
2. **Minutes of meeting** 21 July 2021 were signed off. No matters arising.
3. **Treasurer and Membership Secretary's Report**
 - Membership is 309 households.
 - Membership subscriptions: 4/5 are paid by standing order. Gentle reminders will be sent out in October to those cash payers who are in arrears.
 - Bank £4,421 of which:
 - £2,368 main account
 - £2,053 Court Woodland

We are holding a £600 contribution £200 each from NNPC, Newton & Noss Network and SHDC towards the cost of Noss Voss to Creekside steps. The RYDA has also made a pledge to contribute £200 when the work has been completed, so our General Fund will be back to £1,568.
4. **Planning Report**
 - General – new liaison agreement with NNPC going well.
 - Venta - after two iterations is now approved, but with a strong CMP. Opposite Venta, on Yealm Road, is another demolition and rebuild project awaiting approval, Wycherley. So we may have two projects in close proximity with potential to cause disruption.
 - Briar Park – planning application on South Hams website for comment. Cover email to be sent to members with links so they are able to comment individually as well as notify RYDA separately of their comments.
 - Collaton Consultation – Application for 70 houses already approved. Discussion reference significance of increase to amend planning to 125 houses, Section 106 and implications, access and construction plan. Awaiting submission of Planning Application before RYDA can prepare a report. Again, members urged to comment individually as well as comment to RYDA; RYDA submission will be reflection of RYDA comments received. Committee to email RobinF with comments received and views.
 - Paint Laboratory Consultation – Construction Management Plan will be key. Agreed that DrewS submitted email as discussed and some comments taken on board. Cannot include full RYDA membership until Planning Application submitted.
 - The Newton and Noss Neighbourhood Plan, which has proved very useful in controlling some more extreme proposed developments in location, scale and design, is due for review next year. The extent of the review and the impact of the UK Governments proposals for the Planning System will need careful and timely action, but may prove more resource intensive than anticipated. Although the outcome of last year's Government consultation "Planning for the future" are still awaited, many of the proposals seem to have been modified, or removed, although local design codes and guidance are still a probable requirement.
 - It was agreed that in future the Planning Brief prepared by RobinF would be added to the Minutes when posted on the Villages noticeboards.

5. **Parking Study**

Continuation from July meeting - Major parking problems along Yealm Road in particular. An accident waiting to happen. RYDA have been asked to approach Councillor Dan Thomas with our concerns and to ask for parking enforcement measures in the village. NNPC have also asked that any evidence be passed onto them to forward to Devon CC. In this way we as individuals can make our thoughts known and work together with the NNPC to help by putting pressure on the Council. It was confirmed that we would be unable to ask for a residents' permit systems unless there was alternative parking available. Discussion on Park & Ride alternatives and solutions. PeterH and RobinF to talk with Kevin Thomas to determine best way to support NNPC, and to ensure he has copies of all correspondence.

6. **Correspondence**

- Paint Laboratory – see planning above
- Concern from a member regarding 2nd home residences.
- Government new planning. 12 week Consultation running since 6th August. RobinF to send PeggyR a link

7. **Newsletter and Website** – LesleyD has this month well in hand, and vote of thanks for all her work on this. More events taking place so villages getting busier and more to report. AlanL to send LesleyD required information re Village Hall. Agreed that Royal British Legion website could be added as a link to the RYDA website. LesleyD and ChristopherL to liaise.

8. **Housekeeping -**

- Collation of RYDA information – Agreed PeggyR would continue with work in progress to collate RYDA information for Dropbox account accessible as read only by committee members
- ChristopherL has box of RYDA history and AlanL has historical photos. These will be given to PeggyR for collating and scanning and LesleyD to update RYDA subpage under Spirit of the Yealm.
- Public Liability insurance for the Annual Harbour Cleanup, Court Woodland, Brookings Down Wood and Eastern Hill Wood are arranged by RYDA with Zurich Insurance.
- Noticeboards – agreed ChristopherL would let AlanL (for Noss) and PeggyR (Newton) have keys to keep noticeboards up together and post Minutes as appropriate

9. **Any Other Business**

- Profile of RYDA discussed. AlanL to redo Welcome Pack (liaise ChristopherL for list).
- Remembrance Service November 2021, Noss. Agreed RYDA would finance and lay wreath. ChristopherL unable to this year as Chairman RBL, so AlanL agreed, plus would ask SuzanneS.
- ChristopherL reported his wish to discontinue on WI Hall Committee due to other commitments. He will speak with other committee members and report back to RYDA.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.55pm

10. **Dates of Next Meetings:**

7pm Tue 16th November 2021
Tue 11th January 2022

DREW STEVENS

CHAIRMAN

