

RIVER YEALM & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity No 262929.

MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at Irlwyn, Newton Ferrers on

TUESDAY 11th July 2023 at 7pm

Present: Drew Stevens, Chris Bradley, Peter Hall, Lesley Dempsey, Robin Forrester
Peggy Robinson

1. **Welcome and Apologies.** Apologies received from Alan Lomax Suzanne Sparrow, Peter Faulkner. Philip Hawker welcomed to meeting to potentially join the Committee.
2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** held 23rd March, and AGM 24th April 2023 approved. No matters arising.
3. **Treasurer's Report.**
Bank balance £13,453. Deposit Account £10,000. Current Account £3,292. £1,469 in the Court Woodland account. £250 payment pending on this account. We still hold £600 for the Noss Voss steps and when completed we have pledged £200, bringing the main account down to £1,023.
Membership steady at 311. 25 Directories sold since last printing. Public Liability insurance for the year of £135 has recently been paid.

It was agreed that the signatories of the HSBC Current Account are to be changed to 4 signatories (currently 2). Two to sign from Drew, Peggy, Chris and Alan.

4. **Planning Report**
Briar Hill – RYDA has lodged an objection after consultation. There is a Management Development committee meeting 26 July. Review and discussion of other current planning applications. It was agreed Lesley would obtain NF and NM planning applications from SHDC to pass to Robin for comment and update for the Newsletters.
5. **International Paints – Akzo Nobel**
Chairman & Treasurer attended meeting with Akzo Nobel in June. Decision to send RYDA report on meeting plus supporting documentation to members. Wider community Open Meeting with limited numbers scheduled by International Paint after 5 September. Time line for Akzo Nobel is sign off end of summer, action Q4 2023. Members to be encouraged to contact RYDA with views and questions. Philip and Drew to talk with specialists to sound out their views.
6. **Parking and Roads.** Application for 3 passing places in Yealm Road, and also places in Noss. Out for public consultation. Progress being made for Village car park next to Butts Park.
7. **Woodland Reports –** There was a meeting 10Jul23. Paths in good order. Owner of land at top of Woodland Trust Wood to be approached regarding footpath.
8. **John Allen Legacy.** Revelstoke Railings – Handrail on Noss Steps has been completed and installed. Survey of villages and railings to be collated for future discussion. ChrisB to work with Committee members and RichardR regarding progress and painting.

9. **Correspondence** – Letters from residents regarding planning permission(s), Comment on Akzo Nobel reports from Simon Friend and from members. Robin Hogg re Court Wood.
10. **Newsletter and Website** - Lesley reported website statistics very good, as were number of Facebook hits. Discussion on confining FB to members, but decision to remain as is, with Lesley vetting applicants for residence Newton/Noss. August Newsletter imminent.
11. **Housekeeping** - RYDA Directory good job well done. Drew has asked PeterF to review GDPR for next directory. It was noted that map on back of Directory out of date so will need amending in future. Peggy reported Dropbox updated with renewed insurance document. Agreed to re-send Dropbox link to committee members.
12. **AGM 2024** - Speakers discussed. Drew to contact for availability. Venue is WI Hall in Newton for next AGM. Peggy to investigate available dates.
13. **Any Other Business** – Report from YCET that E-taxi temporarily out of operation due to staff shortages. This is short term and should be resolved soon. Absence of Boatwatch discussed with a view to restarting. Lesley to contact previous organiser for information. Reported that Listed Building website had no photos of listed buildings in Newton/Noss. Lesley to add to Newsletter to obtain photos. Philip Hawker was approached and accepted to become part of the RYDA Committee.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Date of next meetings:

5 September 2023

14 November 2023

9 January 2024

12 March 2024

16 April 2024 (TBC) AGM