



## JANUARY



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### YPC MEETING 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY



#### **Police Report for November and December 2008**

1. Burglary at Stoneycross Lodge.
2. Poultry stolen from Woodside Forge.
3. Theft from a car parked in Stray Park.
4. Assault in Fore Street.
5. Domestic assault and violence.
6. Dangerous driving in Market Street.

#### **Report by District Councillor Keith Baldry**

- ✦ At the Police liaison meeting in December, there were no residents from Yealmpton present. As there were 9 senior police officers present, this did not give a favourable impression of our village.
- ✦ A judicial review of the work carried out by the Boundary Committee (BC) has been critical of their work. As a result, the report will be delayed.
- ✦ SHDC has decided not to increase its part of the Council Tax.



#### **Report by YPC Chairman Richard Yonge**

- ✦ Discussions with South Hams Citizen's Advice Bureau regarding their opening of an "outreach" resource in one of the local villages were suggested.
- ✦ Affordable Housing: 3 local sites have been agreed as suitable with SHDC planners. The Housing needs survey has been completed within the next 3 years 29 affordable houses are required with 11 required at once.
- ✦ Sustrans: Cllr Robbins stated that the intention of the 'joint working group' of Brixton and Yealmpton Councillors was to bring to an end the long running saga of a suitable walking/cycling route for connection of our two villages.
- ✦ Emergency Planning: the team met in November to run through a simulation of a "severe storm" scenario.
- ✦ Public Space strategy: the Clerk advised that South Hams are planning to spend in the region of £25000 for play equipment in Stray Park and clearing up "open Spaces" in adjacent woodlands.



## Committee Reports

**Works:** thanks to the Croft and Saunders families for again hosting the two large village Christmas trees.

**Footpaths:** the annual survey is being carried out by volunteers.

**Youth:** Cllr Stone reported the growth of the youth club in 2008. Both Tuesday and Thursday evenings are almost full.



## YPC MEETING 9TH FEBRUARY



### Police Report

- 🚓 Incident of domestic violence.
- 🚓 Burglary in Church Park Road.
- 🚓 Theft from motor vehicle in Torre View.

### Report by County Councillor William Mumford

- ✳ DCC presented a cheque for £500 towards Emergency Plan costs.
- ✳ The education element of the new DCC budget is still presenting a problem.



### Report by District Councillor Keith Baldry

- ⊙ A judicial review of the work carried out by the Boundary Committee (BC) has been critical of their work. The report will now be delayed until July 15<sup>th</sup>. County Council elections will proceed as planned on June 4<sup>th</sup>.
- ⊙ SHDC has decided not to increase its part of the Council Tax. Any overspend will be taken from reserves. On the subject of Council Tax increase, Cllr Ebbutt advised that he had attended a meeting with the Police and Fire services in January when local councils were briefed. It is estimated that the Police increase will be about 3% and the Fire Services by about 5%. South Hams are expected to get seven more police "on the beat" as a result of reallocation of existing manpower.
- ⊙ The application for funding for a new play area in the Torr vicinity will be debated by SHDC on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. The meeting with SHDC to discuss the Stray Park play area will be on Feb 12<sup>th</sup>. The community will be consulted before any plans are approved.
- ⊙ The meeting with CAB regarding "outreach" possibilities is on Feb 25<sup>th</sup>.



### Report by YPC Chairman Richard Yonge

- 📄 Sustrans update: Cllr Robbins advised that the Joint Working Group 'Terms and Conditions' have been agreed by Yealmpton PC.
- 📄 Emergency Planning: the next meeting is on Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Community Hall at 7.30 pm and involves ALL volunteers and team leaders.
- 📄 Affordable Housing: 3 local sites have been agreed as suitable with SHDC planners. The Housing Needs Survey has been completed and the report accepted unanimously.



## Planning

**N**ew England Waste Disposal scoping study: YPC has received from DCC a copy of the Viridor scoping report for the proposed "energy from waste" facility. The New England site is one of five under consideration by DCC. This scoping document sets out the items which will be investigated in full and reported prior to any planning applications. After some debate it was agreed that YPC should write to DCC strongly opposing any development on the grounds of visual impact, noise, traffic, health grounds and environmental impact. YPC also criticised the deficiencies of the scoping study.



## Committee Reports

**Works:** grass cutting, SHDC have agreed to cut the DCC sites an additional 10 times per year. Concerns were raised about increased dog fouling at Stray Park.

**Footpaths:** all 26 paths have been surveyed. DCC are dealing with the 2 that failed their checks. Thanks to the volunteers who carried out the annual footpath survey.

**Highways:** Cllr Yonge asked that councillors report uncut hedges. In general there has been an improvement in owners cutting their perimeter hedges. A road closure letter has been received from Fujitsu Communications stating a proposed closure of the lane from Stoneycross to Choakford Cross for 3 days. The Clerk was asked to write to object.

**Youth:** Cllr Stone attended the youth Club, both Tuesday and Thursday attendances are excellent. If more than 25 attend and outdoor activities are unsuitable latecomers will not be allowed to stay because of the fire regulations. Regrettably the youth leader is leaving.

