NEWTON & NOSS PARISH PLAN 2004 : SECTION 3 UPDATED 2009

COMMERCIAL & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT & TOURISM

REVIEW

Outcome:

• It is anticipated that there remains a need to provide facilities, support and encouragement for local businesses.

Issues:

- These remain the same. We note that there are local opportunities for young people in some local businesses, such as building businesses and pubs. However, most job availability arises because the Parish is well within the Plymouth travel-to-work area.
- As a footnote to the issues we would add our observation that perhaps the biggest constraint on local shops is finding people who are prepared to run them. The long hours and hard work involved are not seen to provide attractive employment in 2009. Appropriate accommodation would help the situation; high accommodation costs compared with average earnings continue to be a concern.

The way forward:

- We are not aware that any feasibility study has been undertaken. However, there have been some positive developments.
- Broadband access is now available.
- Public conveniences have been provided at Yealm Steps and are maintained at the joint expense of the River Yealm Harbour Authority and the Parish Council.
- Better storage facilities for the gigs have been provided.
- Landing facilities from the water are believed to be adequate.