

YEALM COMMUNITY ENERGY BOARD MEMBERS AND

ADVISERS

Chairman



Peter M Brown MB, BCh, FRCS became aware of the health consequences of climate change shortly before retiring as an NHS Consultant. He quickly became convinced of the need for serious carbon reduction at all levels. Having moved to Devon in 2005, he set up an educational environment group, which soon expanded into projects, encouraging local people to increase the energy efficiency of their houses and to install renewable energy systems. Inevitably he wanted to generate renewable energy on a small commercial scale for the community. Peter, as Chairman of YCE, brings the necessary drive and enthusiasm to encourage volunteers to give up their valuable time for the common good and zero carbon.

Director



Ray Holland, BSc, MIET, is a chartered electrical engineer, trained at the Royal Naval Engineering College, Manadon, Plymouth and has spent the last 30 years managing programmes of renewable energy projects and energy policy in Africa, Asia and Latin America, including managing a small consulting firm, and an EU programme that set up the Africa-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme (now [GET.Invest](#)) Much of this work involved local communities owning their own electricity supplies, so he is keen to apply lessons from this experience in his own community in South Devon.

Director



Dr Andrew Moore MA DPhil FRCA DSc trained at Balliol College, Oxford, as a biochemist, and has worked in the NHS, in industry, and in academia. He founded a diagnostics company and grew it from six to 300 employees in less than 10 years. He has pioneered the use of evidence in healthcare decision-making and run companies to promote this to industry, the NHS, and government. Andrew has also had lively and long-lasting academic interests, including pain research, for almost 40 years. He is the author of several books on pain and evidence, over 500 scientific papers, and over 100 systematic review and meta-analyses, including many reviews for the Cochrane Collaboration.



Director

Dominic Crawley has had a 40-year career in financial services, including 20 years in banking and subsequently 20 years with S&P Global Ratings, where he was an executive managing director and Head of Global Rating Services. Dominic is currently a non-executive director of S&P Global Ratings Europe Limited. Dominic is a resident of Newton Ferrers.

Director



Tony Roper MA ACMA, trained as a structural engineer. After a period in both the construction and leisure industries, he was actively involved for over twenty years in the sourcing and financing of infrastructure assets in the UK, Europe, North America and Australia. Between 2006 and 2017, Tony was responsible for two listed infrastructure funds, financing and making investments in wide range of infrastructure assets including solar PV. He currently is a director of a UK water company, and two listed investment trusts. Tony is married with three adult children and divides his time between Newton Ferrers, Wiltshire and London.

Director



His Honour Judge Paul Darlow is a retired senior judge on the Western Circuit and advises YCE on the procedures and proprieties of awards from the Community Fund. Paul is a resident of Newton Ferrers. *“For me involvement with YCE is an opportunity to make a real difference to the environment in which my family live and I would wish them and all of us in this community (and indeed outside it) to live in the future. Now free, for the first time in my life, from full time Judicial employment and duties I look forward to directing my energies elsewhere towards the acquisition of the solar farms and their operation for the benefit of us all.*

If in the meantime I can also fit in time to walk, play tennis, learn how to cook good vegetarian food and go boating, my life will be truly complete.”

Director



Stephen Brown has recently retired after a career in trading seafood .Based in London and with offices in Europe and the USA , he ran a seafood company trading in frozen seafood mainly from the Far East to Europe , USA and Central and S America. He has also been involved with Seafish in the uk and SIPA in Europe working on technical and regulation aspects of the seafood trade.

Consultant Operations Manager

Tracy Ebbrell



Tracy is a resident of Holbeton, where she lives with her young family. Her youngest son attends Newton Ferrers primary school. Tracy has an extensive career background covering banking, aviation, project management, environmental conservation, charitable funding and marketing. Tracy was the ideal choice with the broad skills base needed for the Operations Manager role at YCE. Tracy and her family have recently renovated a farm in central Brittany on the Brest Nantes canal. Tracy's interests are art, history, cooking, walking, travel, the natural world, yoga and anything French!

Non-board Advisers



Peggy Robinson

Commercially focussed, with a practical, hands-on approach, Peggy moved to Newton Ferrers from Wiltshire, where she was Finance Director of a medium sized design and manufacturing company specialising in environmentally friendly solutions for the Utilities industry, mainly installation equipment and helical screw piles. In addition, she makes use of her background in international trade to juggle the complexities of cheese imports/exports. In her own words, she is a nerd for detail and the challenge of bureaucracy – all the hassle most people hate. Her spare time is spent happily wrangling grandchildren or sitting with a glass of wine planning the next family trip, preferably by sail and hopefully in blue waters!



Professor Michael Depledge CBE, BSc (Hons), DSc (Lond), FRSB, FRCP

Emeritus Professor of Environment and Human Health, University of Exeter Medical School and Honorary professor of Public Policy at University College, London. He is the former Chair and currently a Board member of the European Centre for Environment and Human Health at Exeter University which he founded in 2010. He was previously Chair of Marine Biology and Ecotoxicology at the University of Plymouth. Between 2002 and 2006 he served as Chief Scientific Advisor of the UK Government's Environment Agency. Professor Depledge was a founding Board Member of Natural England and served for six years on the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution. He was chair of the Science

Advisory Group for Environment and Climate Change, in DG-Research, European Commission in Brussels from 2006 to 2013, and was the Royal Society's environment representative on the European Academies Science Advisory Council. He is currently Chief Scientific Advisor to, and a non-executive director of, Eden Project International. Professor Depledge will advise on a broad range of environmental and health issues. Michael is a resident of Newton Ferrers.



Adviser - Community Fund sub committee

Judith Clark BSc (Hons) MBCS CIP MCM has enjoyed a fulfilling career in IT, progressing from analyst/programmer to systems development manager in the automotive, manufacturing, finance and dotcom sectors, and lastly as a senior business analyst with the Met Office. Living in Wembury and with a degree in Geography she has an interest in the natural world. Judith offers to Yealm Community Energy her skills in planning and working to deadlines, financial awareness, change management, and interacting with stakeholders from all walks of life.



Technical Adviser

Joshua Dunn MMATH a resident of Brixton, and Newton Ferrers before that. After studying Mathematics to Masters' level, he began working in the energy industry in 2014 for C3Resources. His work as a Data Scientist means he understands energy data and industry data process well. After Josh's one year at C3Resources, the company were acquired by ENGIE (formerly GDF Suez), a large multinational energy company and facilities manager. Two years later he was promoted to Lead Data Scientist of BES – ENGIE UK. At the same time, he joined YCE and is involved heavily in the OpenLV project with Power Distribution.



Adviser

Alistair Macpherson is a resident of Brixton and since 2013 has led the development of Plymouth Energy Community development from a council initiative, into a multi award winning social enterprise delivering targeted support to the fuel poor, and community-owned alternatives to fossil fuels. He has led the team responsible for building and financing a 4 MW solar farm and 32 solar roofs on schools and community buildings and raising over £2million in community share capital. With a degree in Geography from Plymouth University, Alistair has a background in biodiversity and sustainable development projects for local authorities and third sector organisations in the UK and overseas. He currently also manages the Low Carbon City Team at Plymouth City Council. He was

named 'Community Energy Champion' at the 2016 Community Energy England Awards and 'South West Sustainable Energy Champion' at the 2017 Green Energy Awards.

George Middlemiss – Adviser



George was born and bred in Yealmpton. He attended the University of Leeds where he studied Environment and Business. He chose to focus his research on renewable energy, energy poverty and sustainability consulting. He took a year away from his studies in his 3rd year to work with Yorkshire Energy during their launch phase. Recently, George started working at Plymouth Community Homes.

Financial Adviser -Chris Flower BA(hons)

ACCA PgDip is a chartered accountant and, having been brought up on a farm, has always been interested in the local environment. Chris trained as an auditor with Francis Clark and Darnells, Chartered Accountants, but has worked mainly as an accountant for commercial companies in Devon. Chris is now a Finance Business Partner at Plymouth City Council and is responsible for the Treasury Management investments and borrowing as well as the finance for multi-million pound capital projects in Plymouth. Chris has also been involved with the financing of the Ernesettle Solar Farm that opened in 2016.



Richard Holman BSc, MBA

Richard lives in Noss Mayo. His background is digital marketing and ran successful media businesses in London before opening a conference and retreat centre in Buckfastleigh 15 years ago. He now offers mentoring and shares his experience of establishing businesses with small local enterprises.

He is on a journey of change, with his car, garden equipment and outboard motor all now being electric, all of which are charged through solar panels. He offers Yealm Community Energy a commercial and digital mind, with fundraising experience. He also chairs a Foundation providing defibrillators to sports clubs that cannot afford them.





Peter Hall B.Sc. Frics

Peter qualified as a chartered surveyor and rural land agent having obtained a degree in estate management from London University. After working in agricultural estate management for many years with wide experience of small business management and investment in commercial and residential property, he set up and managed his own arable farming company in Norfolk, which was entered into the Defra Higher environmental stewardship scheme, and grew to 2000 acres, before retiring to Newton Ferrers in 2010. His interest since then has expanded in environmentally friendly farming, carbon reduction et cetera. Peter and Sue have two adult children and enjoy sailing skiing and country walks.



Peter Hinchliffe OBE BSc FNI

Served in the British Royal Navy, with over 20 years at sea and 5 years in command of submarines. BSc (Hons) in Systems and Management. International Chamber of Shipping from 2001 leading ICS representation on maritime safety, security and environmental issues at the UN International Maritime Organization (IMO) and elsewhere. Secretary General of International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) 2010 - 2018. It comprises the key national shipowners' associations from around the world and represents more than 80% of the world's merchant tonnage.

Peter now works as an independent maritime consultant for several clients predominantly on the environmental performance of shipping, security and migrant protection. He is also working with various charitable organisations.

Fellow of the Nautical Institute and chair of the NI Executive Board. Younger Brother of Trinity House and Honorary Fellow of the World Maritime University.



Mark Turner – Founding Partner, Livingbridge LLP

Mark joined Livingbridge, a private equity firm headquartered in London, in 2001. Mark is now Head of the Value Strategy Group and oversees the firm's US operations. He is a member of the Livingbridge Management Committee, which focuses on the strategic direction of the business.

Prior to joining Livingbridge, Mark began his career with NatWest Markets. A qualified Chartered Accountant, he has wide-ranging experience in both corporate advisory roles and in industry, working in corporate restructuring at Deloitte and acquisition integration and business planning roles at BT and Global Crossing.

Mark also sits on the Development Board of the Arnold Foundation. He graduated from Loughborough University with a degree in Banking and Finance.

