

# Proposed Air Ambulance Night Landing Site on Rackenford Common

## Public Consultation on the 14<sup>th</sup> January @ 7PM, via Zoom

The Parish Council is pleased to announce plans to set up the required infrastructure to allow the landing of the air ambulance on the common during hours of darkness. The Devon Air Ambulance can operate currently until 2am (with future plans to increase this). To be able to safely operate and serve rural communities a network of night landing sites is required. With local hospital services some distance away (Plymouth for trauma, and Bristol for urgent child care) the Air Ambulance is a vital service for our rural community.

The proposed landing site is a 25M<sup>2</sup> site in the center of the common. A 10 M lighting post will be erected alongside the existing hedge line on the Meadow view side. On the rare occasion it used the light will not be an issue for any properties.



Some tree and vegetation clearance is required, but an area of trees and scrub will remain, to provide screening for the houses at the Common end of Meadow View. We may need to change the position of the football posts, but there will be no other impact. The tree work will be carried out to enhance the existing grassed area, providing a widened area of recreational space.

To cover the labour required, Devon Air Ambulance will support the project with a grant of £3,203.37, but the community will need to find the remaining **£3,378.48**, with potential community donations together with funds from the parish council reserves. We do appreciate that current circumstances are very difficult for many, but hope that those who can, will support the project with a donation.

Please join us on the 14<sup>th</sup> January at 7PM to find out more about the project from Devon Air Ambulance Landing Site coordinator Toby Russell, and members of Rackenford & Creacombe Parish Council.

**Any questions or statements of support can be sent in advance to [rackenfordparish@gmail.com](mailto:rackenfordparish@gmail.com)**

**Written replies can be left, addressed to the Parish Clerk, at the village shop. We aim to respond to all queries raised at the meeting, and will respond directly to those who are unable to join online.**

Rackenford & Creacombe Parish Council is inviting you to a Zoom meeting at 7pm on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Join the Zoom Meeting on: <https://zoom.us/j/92548570979?pwd=dXFUekk3QkRIQXI2cjJZDRZYldJdz09>

Meeting ID: 925 4857 0979      Passcode: 201724

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