

TOLLER PORCORUM PARISH COUNCIL
Draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th September 2014
At Toller Porcorum Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Ennals (<i>Chairman</i>)	Cllr C Baker
Cllr J Miller (<i>Vice Chairman</i>)	Cllr D Billen
Cllr P Rutherford	Cllr J Knowles
Cllr P Davies	Mrs M Harding (Clerk/RFO)
1 Guest PCSO Jane Goodwin	

235. Welcome-Cllr Ennals welcomed everyone to the meeting;

236. Apologies for absence: none

237. Declarations of Interest or grants of dispensation: None

238. Democratic Forum 15 mins agenda items only- PCSO Jane Goodwin came to the meeting to introduce herself to the Council, PCSO Sarah Pilcher is also still in the area and Chris Mead is the Community Police officer, they are all part of the Safer Neighbourhood Team for the area. She reminded the Council that in an emergency 999 is still the number to call but if you need to contact the team call 101 or online on the Dorset Police website. You can also receive the Dorset Alert emails when you sign up. Jane also explained the role of the team that provides victim support as well as dealing with local crime.

239. Minutes: The minutes of the PC meeting on 9th July 2014 having previously been circulated, were signed by the Chair as a correct record of the meeting

Proposed Cllr P Rutherford

Seconded Cllr C Baker

Resolved

240. Matters arising for info only:

- a. The Grit bin will now be installed ready for the winter D Ennals to action in September
- b. The Council asked if the WDDC litter bin will be emptied by the telephone box when the new waste service begins- clerk to follow up
- c. Cllr Haynes commented that it is not WDDC but the Dementia Alliance who are looking at the future services for dementia support.
- d. Cllr Davies reported on the new fence which is to be situated behind the Old Mill sign and the height of the fence is within the planning approval
- e. The speed and warning signage has been dealt with on A356

241. County Matters: Cllr Rebecca Knox explained that the grit bins in the parishes are about to be filled so make sure that any that were put away for the summer are back. Also that the cost of dumpy bags is the same as last year. Cllr Billen will check if any more are required this year. DCC are now going digital by default and providing officers with digital equipment to take away the need for paperwork and having to return to the offices to write reports. Cllr Knox also reported on the new way of working using hubs where services can share an area reducing costs, allowing a lot of public services to share offices. This sort of working could also apply to school buildings which are empty for weeks at a time, saving money and sharing space.

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242. District Matters: Cllr Jill Haynes reported that the new CE Matt Prosser has been looking at the finances and the reduction in grants to W & P and WDDC. There has been the loss of some key staff from the district. The inspector will soon be looking at the Local plan. The Boundary Commission have completed their review which means that Toller will be in the same ward as Frampton. This may cause a problem as the meeting dates are the same so our District Councillor may not be able to attend many meetings when this comes into force.

243. To Consider the Emergency Plan Template for Toller Porcorum

The Clerk had prepared a draft of the Emergency Plan template for the Council to consider. There are areas where local knowledge is required so the Council will provide the Clerk with local telephone numbers and this will be looked at again at the November meeting.

244. Finance:

a. To consider the receipts and payments due

Receipts	Detail			Amount
Total				0
Payments	Detail	Voucher	Chq	Amount
Mrs M Harding	Salary/exp		76	368.71
HMRC	Paye		77	67.80
DAPTC	FOI		78	7.50
BDO	Annual Audit			0.00
				444.01

Proposed Cllr D Ennals

Seconded Cllr P Delves

Resolved

245. Planning:

- a. *To consider any planning applications in circulation:* Cllr Davies explained that there has been a small amendment to the new houses in the village and at Thunderbolt farm there is to be extension to a shed which cannot be seen.
- b. *Post Office and Affordable Housing:* Cllr Baker reported the site has been cleared and levelling will start next week. The development will be called Hereward Close. The utilities are now in hand. Colin Baker explained that there will be job opportunities for local labourers. The site office will be in place shortly and the builders "Halshall" will be issuing a monthly leaflet to those residents close to the development. Cllr Baker will provide a copy for the Council to circulate and put on the website. Cllr Baker also reported that there had been over 70 slow worms collected and rehomed in Beaminster.

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246. Highways:

- i. *Update on the repainting of the Bridge:* Cllr Ennals reported on the emails with Oliver Letwin the Highways Agency and the Sand blasting company which had been circulated to the Council. Cllr Ennals had spoken to Oliver on the phone he had requested the Councils current insurance liability and information from the Sandblasting company but they had refused to provide this info as they were too busy. The Council discussed the project given the recent problems. Some of the councillors were in favour of abandoning the sand blasting and the project as it is very expensive although the Council do have a grant that will cover the majority of the sand blasting. The Council agreed to go back to Oliver Letwin and ask for his help and report back to the November meeting. Cllr Ennals was thanked for all the work he had put into this project.
- ii. *Any other Highways Issues:* A letter regarding the Sand bag store has been received by the Council, Cllr Billen will confirm where the sand bags will be stored in the future and if any more are required.
Cllr Rutherford explained that the brambles need to be cleared on school lane. Also the Clerk was asked to report the overhanging trees on the bend before the bridge.
The Clerk was also asked to contact Mr Cligg to remind him to cut the hedge opposite Old Mills.

247. **Correspondence:** The Clerk had previously circulated a list of correspondence to the council.

248. **Date of the next meeting and items for the agenda:** The next meeting of the Council is on the 12th November 2014. Agenda items- Bridge, Road Signs, Emergency Plan and Affordable Housing, budget, sand bags

249. **Democratic Forum 15 minutes:** None

Meeting closed at 9.07pm