

## TOLLER PORCORUM PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting was held on the Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2009, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

### 1. Apologies.

Councillors: Gregson, Patmore & Davies.

### Present.

Councillors, Ennals, Knowles, Miller, D Billen, P Billen, & Goodwin

2 members of Public

### 2. Comments from Public.

Signpost at Shatcombe Lane & Barrowlands Lane not repaired, also Clift Lane & Kingcombe Road signpost still broken - Clerk to contact Highways dept.

### 3. Declaration of Interest

None

### 4. Minutes.

The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting, held on the 10<sup>th</sup> December, were read and signed as a true record.

### 5. Matters Arising

New village sign at Kingcombe Road -Clerk has been in contact with DCC, the request has been passed to Environmental services

Telephone Kiosk – application form for listing almost complete Clerk to continue

Highways – The track potholes have been filled but drains are still blocked on right hand side – clerk to contact Rights of Way.

Cllr Miller commented on the amount of mud and slurry on Toller Hill caused by tractors, clerk to write to the farmer concerned.

Also a number of potholes are appearing in passing places on the hill clerk to contact highways. The Parish maintenance unit request sent in December will be acted upon next week, according to Highways Department.

Flooding on road near manor farm – Cllr Ennals to e mail highways to establish responsibility.

### 6. Possible Proposal for the development of land at 19 High Street –The chairman did stress that this item was for information only - for the council and public.

The landowner spoke briefly of her plans for the development for housing and a purpose built building for use as a Post Office. She has written to the Planning department to enquire what would be allowed. She wanted has asked for co-operation from the Parish Council, requesting that councillors talk openly about the proposed plans. The Chairman made it clear that the Council is not permitted to make any comment for or against the proposed planning application, as no official planning application had been submitted. The chairman suggested the landowner consult WDDC Local plan and that she has an informal discussion with the planning officer at WDDC.

### 7. Sustainable Communities Act Public meeting 16<sup>th</sup> Jan – Cllr Ennals attended and reported that the meeting was very well attended, this was held to explain and highlight the main objectives of the act. A summary of this was circulated at the meeting.

### 8 Parish Plan – a number of people have expressed an interest to help clerk to contact Simon Thompson to arrange a meeting convenient to all.

### 9. Village Website – nothing to report at this meeting.

### 10. Development applications (previously circulated)

1/D/08/002233 Erect workshop/classroom

Kingcombe Centre, Kingcombe Road – no objections. Approved

1/D/08/002293 Demolish existing conservatory. Erect two-storey extension

2 School Lane, Toller Porcorum -no objections

1/D/08/002182 Erect cover over existing open yard area  
Bridge Farm Kingcombe Road Toller Porcorum – no objections

11. Bills for Payment

Nildram £15.99

Clerks Salary £68.65

Confirmation of the Precept request at £15000 has been received.

12. Clerks Hours

The clerk stated that 2 hours per week is not enough time to achieve the required work for the Parish Council. The Council requested that she record hours worked between now and the next meeting when the matter will be discussed with a view to awarding an increase as from April.

13. DAPTC Newsletter – Bring your own Chair for parish clerk and chairman Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, council agreed the chair, vice chair and clerk should attend – clerk to book.

14. Correspondence

Sustrans – public drop in meeting Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

WDDC – Promotion of loans for energy efficiency improvements to private home

DCC Dorset Waste forum next meeting

WDDC Corporate Performance

Communities and Local Government: Communities in control Real people, real power consultation.

15. AORB

Cllr Miller informed the meeting that the Cattistock Hunt were in the area on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan, she did approach followers with regard to parking in passing places on Toller Hill, the hunt followers were co operative. The council thanked Cllr miller for her action.

Cllr Knowles commented on footpaths:

At Frogmore Farm the sleeper across the river, where Footpath 8 meets Footpath 7, is dangerous and therefore a health and safety hazard. (already reported in writing twice but no reply received to date).

The Ponds area Footpath 27 at Higher Kingcombe needs signposting to make the pathway clear. (already reported in writing twice but no reply received to date).

Footpath 21 (Miss Starkey's field) has a very dangerous sleeper crossing a ditch, again a health and safety hazard. (Not yet reported).

Clerk to contact rights of way.

Cllr Billen has received email informing playing field of funding available under the playground builder programme and they welcome project ideas. Cllr Billen to pursue.

16. Comments from the Public

Member of public asked if the amounts on cheques be read in meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Next meeting Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 7.30 pm. Public and press welcome.

Signed..... Date .....