

TOLLER PORCORUM PARISH COUNCIL
 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd July 2013
 At Toller Porcorum Village Hall

Present:

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

Apologies: Cllr R Knox (DCC) Cllr J Haynes (WDDC) 2 members of the public

119. Welcome: Cllr Ennals welcomed everyone to the meeting, he asked if any of the councillors objected to moving the Parish Council meetings from the first to the second Wednesday of every other month, as the clerk has applied for another Parish clerks position that meet every month on the first Wednesday. The council were happy for this change and the clerk will provide a list of future dates and circulate once the position had been confirmed.

120. Apologies for absence: Cllr R Knox (DCC) Cllr J Haines (WDDC)

121. Declarations of Interest or grants of dispensation:
 Cllr Rutherford and Cllr Billen declared an interest in item 8 (Recreation Area)

122. Minutes: The minutes of the PC meeting on 8th May 2013 having previously been circulated, were signed by the Chair as a correct record of the meeting
Proposed Cllr J Miller **Seconded Cllr P Rutherford** **Resolved**

123. Matters arising: Cllr Ennals reminded the council that the grants to the Village Hall, Recreation area and the church will be discussed at the budget meeting in November.

124. County Matters: None

125. District Matters: None

126. To consider a rubbish bin at the recreation field: The council discussed either applying to WDDC or purchasing a bin for the recreation field and Cllr Knowles explained that her husband would place the rubbish out for the refuse collection. The clerk will investigate the purchase of a bin or obtaining one from WDDC. Cllrs agreed that if the cost was less than £120 the purchase would be made if a free bin was not available.

Proposed Cllr Ennals **Seconded Cllr Miller** **Resolved**

127. Finance:

i. To consider the receipts and payments due

Receipts:	None	
Payments:		
Mrs Harding	Salary/Exp	£327.24
HMRC	PAYE/TAX	£1.60
DAPTC	Subs/Legislation updates	£99.74
Total		£428.58

Proposed Cllr Davies **Seconded Cllr Ennals** **Resolved**

The payment to DAPTC was made up of subs and seminars attended by Cllr Davies and the clerk

ii. Update on the purchase of a projector for the Village Hall

Cllr Miller informed the meeting that the VH committee have decided to put this on hold for the time being.

iii. Update on the purchase of a grit bin for the bottom of Toller Lane

The clerk had circulated the detail from Glasdon regarding a Grit Bin; Cllrs discussed the size and location, the clerk was asked to place the order for delivery to Cllr Millers property.

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128. **Planning:**

- i. *To consider any planning applications in circulation:* Cllr Davies reported nothing further on the Rampisham Solar application
- ii. *Post Office and Affordable Housing:* Cllr Baker reported that a planning application has been submitted

129. **Highways:**

- i. *To discuss the DCC help to continue the Lengthsman scheme:* The council discussed the Lengthsman scheme and will not be taking this any further at this time.
- ii. *Bus shelter:* Cllr Ennals reported that a suitable site has been found adjacent to the Old Swan on the Kingcombe road. This has been agreed in principle with highways who will have to agree the construction of the bus shelter. Unfortunately there are no funds available for this project so it will have to be a community effort. The council discussed the sale of the Old Swan and asked the clerk to write to inform the Estate agent and new owner of the Parish Councils intentions. The clerk was also asked to inform the new owners that the hedge requires trimming along Lower Road. Cllr Ennals will continue to look at costs of bus shelters and consider the expertise of people in the village.
- iii. *Bridge:* Cllr Ennals that an application to WDDC community grants for the costs of sand blasting the bridge has been submitted, this will be 50% match funded by the PC and volunteer help. The railway board will provide the paint and the works will be carried out by village volunteers. It is likely that this will be project for summer 2014, the parish council will write to all those who could be affected by the works to the bridge.
- iv. *Finger posts:* Cllr Davies reported that the AONB are running a project to repair fingerposts to a better quality funding £400 per finger post. Cllr Davies is dealing with the ordering of materials and Robin Masters has offered assistance with this project.

130. Correspondence: The clerk had previously circulated a list of correspondence to the council Cllr Davies asked about the correspondence regarding the memorials at the accident point on the A356/Toller junction. The Clerk explained that the memorial had been reported to DCC highways as it was considered a distraction to drivers; DCC highways have passed this to the Police liaison officer dealing with the incident as it is a sensitive issue. It was noted that the memorial spelling a name lights up at night, the clerk was asked to inform highways. Cllr Billen also reported a similar incident but luckily no one was hurt, the clerk would also report this and ask that the line of site be considered. Clerk to inform Cllr Knox. Cllr Ennals is following up monthly verge cutting.

131. Date of the next meeting: The next meeting is Wednesday 11th September 2013

132. Items for the next meeting: Clerk to be notified

133. Democratic Forum: It was suggested that the mosaic from the Old Swan be kept for posterity by the village the council will look into this.

It was suggested that a bus shelter similar to the one at Stratton would be suitable for the village.

Meeting closed at 8.24pm