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Clerk Michele Harding

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th July 2022 at Toller Porcorum village hall

Present:

Cllr N Farmer (NF)
Cllr P Crabbe (PC)
Cllr Stavenhagen (JS)
Cllr H Jones (HJ)
Cllr C Wardle (CW)

In attendance:

Mrs M Harding (Clerk), Cllr A Alford (Dorset Council)

No members of public

- **22/07-1. Chairman's welcome, update and housekeeping-**NF welcomed all to the meeting. NF noted that there is now free Wi-Fi in the VH which will help with PC meetings and looking at planning in the future.
- **22/07-2. To receive apologies for absence-** Cllr David Ennals
- **22/07-3. To receive declarations of interests and grants of dispensations-** PC on item 7 on the agenda ref a grant for Country Cars.
- **22/07-4.** To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th May 22

 The minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council were proposed and duly accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed CW Seconded HJ
- **22/07-5. Matters arising from the minutes-** none as covered under agenda items.
- **22/07-6. Dorset Council Ward member report-** AA reported on the following:

Building control are now considering overheating with new properties also all new builds are now to have electric car charging points. The library strategy is currently behind schedule and will be available in the autumn.

Tony had taken back the comments from the last meeting by DE on the wildflower verge management, the comments came back that yes, they could be managed as noted by DE but DC are going to manage them their way.

NF commented on the numbering that has been marked on the road near Powerstock Bridge numbering 0 to 65 and what this means, could AA follow this up.

Cllrs commented on the electric charging points and noted that there should be solar panels on all new builds in the first instance before charging points.

AA explained the process of the scheme of delegation as this has now been put in place for 2 High Street (P/HOU/2022/01467), If the case officer disagrees with the Parish Councils comments, then a scheme of delegation is put in place, and the ward Councillor is asked to comment prior to the decision being made. NF commented that the PC did not object to the proposal but made comments on feedback from residents.

22/07-7. Finance and Procedure

i. To consider receipts and payment due or paid since the last meeting

Payment	Detail	Amount
ICO	Data protection	£35.00
123 Reg	New PC Website domain-tollerporcorumparish.org	£40.65
Staff costs	Salary and expenses	£421.49
HMRC	PAYE	£82.60
Ennals	APA Refreshments	£53.26
DAPTC	Annual subs and training	146.48
Weebly	Community Website- tollerporcorum.org	£177.60

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Proposed HJ Seconded JS Bank Balance as at 30th June 2022 £13,993.45

ii. To consider setting up a savings account- Cllrs discussed setting up a savings account or fixed term bond to get the best value for the Parish Council funds and agreed in principle to invest funds not required in the next 6 to 12 months. Clerk to provide options available to PC's.

Proposed CW Seconded JS

iii. To consider a grant to Country Cars for the costs of a mobile phone

PC reported on the proposal for the grant for Country cars but would not be voting on the item as he is a driver for the scheme.

The calls have been paid for by the person taking the bookings who is now not well enough to do it and another member is moving away. The idea is to have a pay as you go mobile phone that would be passed around the drivers and pay the up-front fee for the bundle for a year this is a cost of £120 per year. Currently 80 % of users are from Maiden Newton but there are clients in Toller, Cattistock and Comptons. The drivers receive 45ppmto and from appointments from DC and the client's pay 45ppm for the drivers form their homes to the client. The service is only for medical appointments, doctor, dentist, opticians and not for shopping trips.

It was noted that Maiden Newton PC have also been asked to contribute and have agreed £80. The Council agreed to support this community service and grant £40 towards the costs, this would be reviewed on an annual basis.

Proposed JS Seconded CW all agreed, and PC abstained

22/07-8. 2022-23 Work Plan

i. Update on the new Parish Council website and email addresses for Cllrs Cllrs were pleased with the new PC website, PC and NF have access as well as the Clerk. More pictures are needed for the site, the Clerk will gradually transfer all the information from the Community site to the PC site over the summer.

It was noted that the costs of a dedicated email address with the PC domain was not cost effective so it was agreed that all Cllrs will have a dedicated Gmail email address, PC will assist with the set up of the emails. Then all contacts will be added to the website.

ii. To consider the adoption of policies and regulations

The Clerk in conjunction with NF and PC had gathered all the PC policies together and added some that the PC don't have in place. It was agreed to carry out the policy assessment over several months and start with the new ones in September, then more in November and finish with the GDPR policies in January.

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iii. To consider the Disposal Policy of parish data

NF had been through the filing cabinet in the VH and sorted the documents that are not required to be kept and those which could be archived, the Clerk and PC also checked the final documents prior to the PC meeting. NF offered to dispose of the papers, but it was suggested that costs of professional disposal should be sought before disposal given there could be GDPR issues. Clerk to follow up.

22/07-9. Planning

- i. To consider any planning applications in circulation none in circulation
- ii. To consider any other planning matters

Application decisions:

P/HOU/2022/02618-6 Barton Close, Toller Porcorum, Demolish Conservatory and erect single storey rear extension -Granted-24/06/2022

P/HOU/2022/02476-Yewtree Cottage Access Road To Higher Kingcombe Farm Toller Porcorum - Erect double storey and single storey extensions and decked terrace. Granted 24/06/2022

iii. Update on the planning conference by Dorset Council

NF commented on the planning conference, the DAPTC in conjunction with Dorset Council held in Dorchester with approx. 100 Cllrs and Clerks. This event could have been a good opportunity to support the working together process but it was very disappointing, for 50 minutes Dorset council officers spoke about the various sections and how stretched they are. The Councillors at the meeting became quite angry that there was no opportunity to have their say on the planning systems. The Senior director upset lots of people with his attitude, and it was felt that the relationship between Town and Parishes and Dorset Council has taken a huge step backwards. NF explain that this was an opportunity missed and has sent his views to the DAPTC.

22/07-10. Highways matters

- i. To receive an update on Highways issues- JS reported that he has driven all the roads in the parish and the only road in need of attention is the road from Barrowlands. This has previously been reported.
- ii. NF commented on the Quiet lane's projects currently one in Suffolk. It was noted that it is not safe for everyone to walk on the roads with the overgrown hedges and narrow lanes, although it is a great idea but does not lend itself to the Dorset lanes.
- **iii.** Dorset Council have taken a sample via a bore hole on Frogmore Lane to ascertain the safety of the surface, the PC will contact Dave Carey to ask for the results and why this is being carried out.
- iv. There are still no updates on the Grit bin replacement.
- **v.** The Flood sign is still laid down to be reported again.
- vi. The Water gauge has not yet bee agreed, to follow up.

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vii. The hedges in Clift Lane are over grown and are an issue when driving farm machinery, the Clerk to contact the resident concerned for pictures to be reported.

22/07-11. To receive an update of Rights of way/Footpath matters

- i. Section 53, Wildlife and countryside Act 1981- Application for definitive map modification order- T708- CW commented on the application, there have been 200 plus applications made all over the country many by the BHS and other organisations to connect bridleways or green lanes.
 CW was asked to contact the definitive map team as Badger Lane was left off after the last update and this needs to be added back but there is a small team and a huge backlog of application some taking in excess of 6 years. It was suggested that the DMMO T708 information should be put on the community Facebook page for further feedback.
- ii. To consider a request for a gate to replace the stile on FP SP45/24- The stile was broken but has now been repaired. The Clerk was asked to follow up on the gates project and request that this stile be added as long as we don't lose the field makers.

22/07-12. Correspondence

- i. Update on the Local Health Care Issues-It was noted that the date in July for the meeting with parish reps and managers of Ammonite has been put back to September due to staff in Covid issues. It was noted that there have been 2 on reception and the CAB are now back at the surgery.
- **ii. Update on Jubilee event**-The PC are still waiting on the numbers of children who received the coins to make their grant for the event.
- iii. Parish reps update-
 - NF commented on the conversation with CW, JM and DE at the Church Breakfast over the role of the Church within the community.
- **iv. Beaver Project-** Cllrs asked if it was possible for a parish visit, Clerk to contact Steve Oliver to request an update.
- v. The PC had received an email regarding potential wind turbines at Rampisham, the PC will respond asking to be kept informed in the future.
- **vi.** The CGR is being considered on 14th July by DC, there are no implications for Toller Porcorum.

22/07-13. To confirm arrangements for the next meeting on 14th September.

The topic of climate change was considered for a future agenda, the climate change reps had nothing formal to report. After a discussion about the way forward they felt that their role was to monitor the climate change agenda at Town and Parish level and to report back as necessary.

The meeting closed at 20.46

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