

Appendix H - Grit bin on Common Road

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Bus shelter and grit bin request

Powerstock and North Poorton Parish Council have requested a bus shelter at the junction of Higher Kingcombe Road and Common Road and a grit bin on Common Road. Both locations are within the parish boundary of Toller Porcorum. Parish Council has already declined to support the installation of a Bus Shelter but awaits further correspondence relating to the location of a grit bin.

Below is a record of an email conversation between Amy Stephenson, Clerk to Powerstock and North Poorton Parish Council and Neil Farmer, Chair of Toller Porcorum Parish Council, regarding a grit bin on Common Road.

Amy Stephenson, 20 May 2024

Hi Neil

I am hoping you know a bit more about our grit bin proposal now. Either Simon or Lauren I think were planning to speak to you? Not sure if this has happened. The basics of it is that there is definitely one area we could think of that would benefit our residents and yours but the proposed site for the grit bin is within your Parish. We have a spare grit bin...we are happy to donate this to Toller PC if it could be sited at the location we are hoping for. Obviously Highways would need to ok the location first but we thought initially we would see how you feel about it before we go any further. The location is: Common Lane - the location via What three word is: [ownership.flicks.register](https://www.what3words.com/ownership.flicks.register)

If you are coming from Higher Kingcombe up to the 5 crossroads, it's by the large gateway that is on Hooke side of the road, just above the steep hill.

Could you let me know how the PC would feel about this please?

Hope you have managed to find a Clerk

Best wishes

Amy

Neil Farmer, 20 May 2024

Amy,

Thank for your email, which some how ended up in my Junk mail. I have had no verbal contact with any of your Councillors.

The pre election council did discuss informally this issue and could see no benefit for our Parishioners. If your Parish wants to install and maintain a grit bin within our parish boundaries at your expense I am sure we can come to an understanding.

I have copied in Stuart Smith our Dorset Council highways officer who I am sure will have a view. I assume you will also contact the relevant landowner.

Our next meeting is the 10th July. I will put the matter on the agenda. If we can have the views of Stuart and the appropriate landowner before then that would be a great help.

Yes we have a Clerk. Clare Smith started at the beginning of the month. I am sure she would appreciate a chat.

Regards

Neil

Amy Stephenson, 30 June 2024

Hi Neil

Apologies for the delay, had to wait for another parish council meeting to discuss as well as discussing with the relevant landowner.

The grit bin will be of benefit to both your residents and ours due to it being one of the access roads into both areas.

The landowner is happy for it to be sited on the hill near his gateway and is delighted that this has been instigated.

We will be contacting Highways first, as we always do, about the proposed location to make sure they are happy with that in theory and therefore also happy to fill it each year.

We thank you for your help and will update you when we have more information

Kind regards

Amy

Neil Farmer, 1 July 2024

Amy,

Thanks for the email. This matter will be on our agenda for our 10th July meeting. I am sure Councillors will support the placement of the your grit bin in Common Road and the operating conditions as you propose.

Regards

Neil