

**Minutes of the Isle Abbotts Parish Council meeting held on  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs.Habberfield, Rickitt, Herbert & Jay. D.C. Sue Steele, C.C. Derek Nelson, PCSO Ian Ross, the Clerk and 4 members of the public were also present.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received and accepted from Cllr.Humphry.

**2.** There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

**3.** The **MINUTES** of the meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were read and approved with amendment. Item 10 line 3 should read East Devon District Council.

**4. MATTERS ARISING:** 4) The ditch at Badbury has still not been cleared of silt. John Lucas has still to clear his end of the ditch but may be too late. D.C. to find out. 7) The bridge at Bradon has been repaired. 10) Clerk requested advertising position outside village. No objections raised.

**5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:** 1)Mrs. Webb expressed her concern about the amount of dog fouling around the village. She has had lots of dog faeces left outside her property and along the verge opposite her house. She informed us that many other people in the village have also been concerned. Many dog owners are allowing their dogs to foul the roads and verges and are not clearing up after them. She has informed the Dog Warden. A discussion ensued regarding the installation of dog bins but it was decided that these were too unsightly and that the people who do not pick up after their dogs now are unlikely to use them. Clerk to inform Dog Warden and write to dog owners. 2) Mr. Humphry requested a mirror be placed at the end of Woodlands Lane to improve visibility when coming out onto Ilton Road. It was thought that this was not something the Council are keen to do and that he would have to discuss with the land owner and put one up themselves. 3) PCSO Ian Ross informed us of the latest crime figures:- 1 burglary not in a dwelling. Also there have been 2/3 arrests for lead thefts and since then no more occurrences. Public are to be aware that this is the time of year for thefts of garden equipment from sheds.

**6. ROADS & FOOTPATHS:** Two bridges is damaged again and the "Road Narrow" sign has been knocked over.

**7. FLOODING OFFICERS REPORT:** Cllr.Herbert reported that there are still some drains blocked around the village. C.C. Derek Nelson advised that Neil McWilliams has replaced Kim Sharp at Highways and would arrange for him to visit the village to show him the problems with flooding and drains. Cllr. Habberfield advised that he had cleared most of the ditch behind Bromes House and Willersley, there is a bit more to do.

**8. FINANCE:** Balance to date - £2966.62 Deposit A/C, £264.95 current A/C. Payments approved :- Clerks fee £40; Village Hall rent £30; Insurance £205; Repair to bus shelter on receipt of invoice; Web-site £30.

**9. DOG FOULING:** See Item 5.1

**10. ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE** received since the last meeting were brought to the Councils attention. It was decided to make a donation to the St.Margaret's Hospice appeal of £20.

**11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA** Approve accounts for audit..

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2010 7.00 pm Parish Council AGM; 7.15 pm Parish Council Meeting; 8.00 pm Annual Parish Meeting.  
There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.10

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

