#### FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – 29 APRIL 2008

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# At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the MEMORIAL HALL on **29 APRIL 2008.**

#### PRESENT

Cllr Peter Finney, Vice Chairman

Cllrs Keith Baker, John Bell, Susan Davies, Coirin Duff, John Gooch, KD Johnson, David Packer, John Warren (R).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Tony Holloway, Joe Kingsmill

Cllr Peter Finney chaired the meeting as Cllr John Gooch was only able to attend the first and last sections of the meeting.

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Gary Seneviratne of Adido Solutions and Mr Tony Feltham of Westborough Consulting attended to demonstrate website examples.

Mr David Torring and Ms Cherie Murray attended to answer questions on the grant application for the Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre.

Mr Torring informed Committee that the Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre was intending to raise £500,000 to fund the development of The Reef.

## 463.08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

464.08 <u>MINUTES</u>

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 March, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

## 465.08 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

## 466.08 GRANTS AND DONATIONS

The following applications were considered:

(a) <u>COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE</u> Proposed by Cllr Baker that £3000 be awarded to Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre, with the remaining £17000 being awarded over two years (2009/10 and 2010/11), seconded by Cllr Johnson. (8-0 1 abstention).

RESOLVED that a grant of £3000 be approved under Section 19 of the 1976 Local Government Act, with the remaining £17000 being awarded over two years (2009/10 and 2010/11). A letter of intent would be sent to support the applicant's fundraising.

(b)  $2^{nd}$  COLEHILL GUIDES

Proposed by Cllr Warren that  $\pounds 225$  be awarded to  $2^{nd}$  Colehill Guides to purchase a cooking tent, seconded by Cllr Baker. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of  $\pounds 225$  be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(c) <u>LIFE EDUCATION DORSET</u>

Proposed by Cllr Packer that  $\pm 100$  be awarded to Life Education Dorset, seconded by Cllr Warren. (6-3)

RESOLVED that a donation of  $\pounds 100$  be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

 (d) <u>COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL</u> Proposed by Cllr Warren that £3000 be awarded to Colehill Memorial Hall, seconded by Cllr Baker. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a grant of  $\pm 3000$  be approved under Section 133 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(e) <u>EAST DORSET CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAUX</u> Proposed by Cllr Bell that £1000 be awarded to East Dorset Citizens' Advice Bureaux, seconded by Cllr Johnson. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £1000 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

# 467.08 COLEHILL COMMUNITY WEBSITE

Prior to the meeting the two consultants demonstrated their website examples and answered Councillors' questions.

Cllr Packer proposed that the Council should employ a website consultant and that the consultants should provide comparison quotations for consideration at the next Finance and General Purposes Committee, seconded by Cllr Finney.

RESOLVED that the Council employ a website consultant and that the quotations be considered at a future meeting of Finance and General Purposes Committee.

# 468.08 PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS

EDDC had advised that from 1 April 2009 they would be withdrawing their playground inspection service to parish and town councils. EDDC would be, subject to demand from other councils, putting together a playground inspection package and inviting tenders from a number of private contactors who offered an inspection service. EDDC would also be organising a Level 2 playground inspection course at a reduced rate of £250 for councillors and clerks.

RESOLVED that EDDC be informed of the Council's interest in using a private contractor, and that the Council did not wish to send an attendee on the inspection course. (5-2 1 abstention).

## 469.08 NUISANCE VEHICLE FLYERS

PC Brett had confirmed that the printing of 1000 single sided A5 flyers would cost £31.00.

RESOLVED that the Council pay the printing costs of the flyers.

#### 470.08 PROPOSAL FOR A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Canon John Goodall of St Michael's Church had requested that consideration be given to funding the purchase and erection of a Christmas tree, which would be a focus for the local community during the Christmas period. The Church had secured a sponsor to donate the outside lights.

It was agreed that more information was required regarding this purchase, but that the Council would agree to fund the purchase and erection of a Christmas tree.

RESOLVED that, in principle, the Council fund the purchase and erection of a Christmas tree.

## 471.08 DAMAGE TO WOODEN BOLLARDS, COLEHILL CROSSROADS

Six fencing companies had been asked to send quotations and three had been received.

The first request had been to price for the three missing/damaged bollards:

Hayward Fencing Contractors Ltd	£246.75 inc VAT
Kevin Jolly	£264.38 inc VAT
Steve Smith Fencing Contractor and Gates	£285.25 inc VAT

The second request had been to price to replace all the bollards:

Kevin Jolly	£804.88 inc VAT
Hayward Fencing Contractors Ltd	£904.75 inc VAT
Steve Smith Fencing Contractor and Gates	£1045.88 inc VAT

Steve Smith Fencing Contractor and Gates would use similar bollards to the existing bollards, Hayward Fencing Contractors Ltd would not match the existing bollards.

RESOLVED that Steve Smith Fencing Contractor and Gates be hired to replace the three bollards at a cost of £285.25 inc VAT, and the insurance company of the driver who caused the damage be contacted to claim back the cost.

## 472.08 <u>GRASS VERGE, WIMBORNE ROAD (Min 64/07 refers)</u>

Highways and Plans Committee recommended that approximately £1000 be contributed towards the lay-by works at Beaucroft Foundation School.

Cllr Gooch proposed that £1000 be contributed, seconded by Cllr Packer (8-1).

RESOLVED that DCC's Andrew Randell be informed that £1000 would be contributed towards the lay-by works at Beaucroft Foundation School.

# 473.08 <u>ACCOUNTS</u>

The accounts from 1 April 07 to 31 March 08 were presented, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes. The Chairman also presented a report which showed the budgeted and actual amounts for the year and which appears as Appendix 2 to these Minutes.

NOTED

## 474.08 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed at Appendix 3 be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

The Meeting ended at 21.25 hrs.

**CHAIRMAN**