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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at Colehill Memorial Hall on **22 OCTOBER 2013**.

PRESENT

Cllr Graeme Smith, Chairman
Cllr Peter Scriven, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Gary Adams, David Barnes, Susan Cowsill, Susan Davies, KD Johnson,
Dave Mitchell and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Tony Holloway.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr John Gooch attended the meeting to update Members on Colehill Community Library.

224.13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

225.13 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 September 2013, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

226.13 MATTERS ARISING

192.13(c) The Rowan tree had been felled.

227.13 HALL INSPECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

The report of the meeting held on 20 September 2013 was submitted and appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

228.13 ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2013 to 15 October 2013 which appears as Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

229.13 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2014/15

The grants awarded would be incorporated into the 2014/15 budget which would be approved by this Committee on 19 November 2013. The grants would be presented to organisations at the Annual Parish Meeting on 8 April 2014.

(a) Colehill Memorial Hall

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £6000 be awarded to Colehill Memorial Hall, seconded by Cllr Mitchell. 7:2

RESOLVED that a donation of £6000 be approved under Section 133 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(b) Citizens' Advice Bureau

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £1000 be awarded to Citizens' Advice Bureau, seconded by Cllr Mitchell. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £1000 be approved under Section 142 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(c) The Sting in the Tale

Proposed by Cllr Davies that £150 be awarded to The Sting in the Tale, seconded by Cllr Johnson. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £150 be approved under Section 145 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(d) Colehill Community Library

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £10500 be awarded to the Colehill Community Library, seconded by Cllr Davies. All in favour.

RESOLVED that:

- i. A donation of £10500 be approved under the Power of Competence and paid half yearly. 8:0 (1 abstention).
- ii. Colehill Community Library be advised that "up to May 2015" meant that a grant would be issued in April 2015 taken from the 2015/16 financial year. A grant for 2016/17 would need to be applied for by September 2015 and any grant would be issued in April 2016. Unanimous.

Cllr Davies commented that she hoped that organisations would advise the Council if they ever found themselves in financial difficulty.

(e) The Reef

Proposed by Cllr Davies that £400 be awarded to The Reef, seconded by Cllr Cowsill. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £400 be approved under Section 19 of the 1976 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act.

- (f) Girlguiding – Colehill District
Proposed by Cllr Davies that £100 be awarded to Girlguiding – Colehill District, seconded by Cllr Cowsill. All in favour.

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

- (g) Life Education Wessex
Proposed by Cllr Davies that £200 be awarded to Life Education Wessex, seconded by Cllr Cowsill. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £200 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

- (h) Victim Support
Proposed by Cllr Davies that £100 be awarded to Victim Support, seconded by Cllr Mitchell. All in favour.

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

230.13 INTERNAL AUDIT

Members NOTED that the internal audit had commenced and that the report letter would be presented to Council on 10 December 2013.

231.13 RECEPTION 15 NOVEMBER 2013

The Clerk updated Members on the plans for the Reception. The WI had been asked to cater for no more than 80 people, this would cost £1000. The Colehill Floral Club would provide the table top flowers. The Scouts and Colehill Community Choir would be singing at the event. The Clerk and Chairman were working out the timings for the entertainment and had decided that the raffle should be left out to ensure that the entertainment was not rushed.

NOTED.

232.13 GRIT BIN REQUESTS

Requests for grit bins had been received from a resident in Marshfield and a resident in Venator Place.

RESOLVED that no grit bins be purchased for the foreseeable future.

233.13 DAPTC AGM

RESOLVED that Cllr Johnson represent the Council at the DAPTC AGM on 2 November 2013. Council would support the motions below:

Motion 1 from Wareham St Martin Parish Council:

DAPTC requests NALC to lobby the government in order to secure financial aid for Dorset County Council to supply bus/train passes for young people aged 16-18 years old, now that it is mandatory for them to remain in some form of full-time education, and currently concessionary fares cease at 16 years of age.

Motion 2 from Chideock Parish Council:

Given that the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 confirmed that the importance and protection of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty are equivalent to those of National Parks, and that the National Planning Policy Framework states that AONBs and National Parks have equal status when it comes to planning consent and other sensitive issues, the meeting asks that for planning applications within an AONB, the AONB partnership is a statutory consultee.

234.13 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 3 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

235.13 **ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA**

Cllr Mitchell updated Members on the St Michael's firework display and asked Members to volunteer to help with the Colehill Lane road closure.

The Meeting ended at 20:50hrs.

CHAIRMAN