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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at Colehill Memorial Hall on **25 SEPTEMBER 2012**.

PRESENT

Cllr Susan Davies, Chairman
Cllr Graeme Smith, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Susan Cowsill, Dave Mitchell and Peter Scriven.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Gary Adams, KD Johnson, Pat Francis (R), Don Wallace and John Warren.

184.12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

185.12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 August 2012, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

186.12 MATTERS ARISING

139.12 Local Schools and the Community The Clerk advised that a number of schools had shown an interest in attending the tree planting ceremony in November.

187.12 ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2012 to 14 September 2012, a copy of which appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

188.12 BOURNEMOUTH AIRPORT

Bournemouth Airport would be holding their regular annual meeting with local parish councils on 15 November at 10.00am and had invited the Council to send two representatives.

RESOLVED that Cllr Mitchell attend with either Cllr Davies or Cllr Warren.

189.12 GRIT BINS

DCC had provided the fees that they would charge for re-filling grit bins. At the start of winter they would fill every bin free of charge. During winter “strategic” bins would be re-filled free of charge and “community” bins would be re-filled at a cost of £45.

DCC had said that they would advise in due course which of the Council’s bins were “strategic” and which were “community”. However, the Clerk thought that the Council had at least eight “community” bins.

The label in the lid of the bin would need to be changed advising residents to contact the Clerk if the bin needed re-filling. Members considered that the label should be worded more strongly to deter people from taking the grit for their own personal use.

The Clerk advised that there were many requests for grit bins and that they should be considered at a Council meeting. Members thought that this discussion should take place at the 2 October meeting to allow time for grit bins to be ordered if this was what was decided.

The members of the public who had requested grit bins would be advised of the date so that they could attend the meeting.

NOTED.

190.12 NEWSLETTER (Minute 141.12 refers)

Members at a previous Finance and General Purposes Committee had decided on a print run of 3000 for the autumn edition of the Clarion. However, Cllr Davies had questioned this amount as on previous occasions there had always been lots of copies left over.

Members considered whether to reduce the print run to 2000 and considered that as there had been copies left over previously it should be 2000. The Clerk advised that the newsletter was also available on the website.

RESOLVED:

- (a) that the print run of the newsletter would be 2000;
- (b) Cllr Mitchell would purchase some display racks that would hold the newsletters on the shop counters.

191.12 APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

It was NOTED that the Audit Commission had appointed BDO LLP as the Council's external auditor for the next five years.

192.12 CONFIDENTIAL

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted it was likely that if a member of the public were present during the following item there would be a disclosure of 'Confidential Information' involving contractors and they therefore be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

193.12 THE COUNCIL'S IT PROVIDER

This Minute appears on page 111 as exempt information.

194.12 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 2 to these Minutes be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

195.12 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

(a) The Clerk advised that the CCTV was faulty. Custom Security Systems was attempting to fix it.

The Meeting ended at 20:55 hrs.

CHAIRMAN