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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at Colehill Memorial Hall on **23 OCTOBER 2012**.

**PRESENT**

Cllr Susan Davies, Chairman  
Cllr Graeme Smith, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Gary Adams, KD Johnson, Dave Mitchell and Peter Scriven.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllr Susan Cowsill, Sue Gretton (R), Don Wallace and John Warren.

**226.12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**227.12 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 September 2012, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**228.12 MATTERS ARISING**

188.12 Cllr Warren be advised that he could attend the meeting at Bournemouth Airport with Cllr Mitchell.

190.12 Cllr Mitchell would purchase the stands for the newsletter. The Clerk would make the laminated cards advertising the newsletter.

195.12 The CCTV was being fixed.

**229.12 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2013/14**

The grants awarded would be incorporated into the 2013/14 budget which would be approved by this Committee on 20 November 2012. The grants would be presented to organisations at the Annual Parish Meeting on 23 April 2012.

(a) Colehill Memorial Hall

Proposed by Cllr Mitchell that £6000 be awarded to Colehill Memorial Hall, seconded by Cllr Adams. All in favour.

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

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

(d) The Reef

Proposed by Cllr Mitchell that £300 be awarded to The Reef, seconded by Cllr Johnson. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £300 be approved under Section 19 of the 1976 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act.

(e) Girlguiding – Colehill District

Proposed by Cllr Mitchell that £140 be awarded to Girlguiding – Colehill District, seconded by Cllr Johnson. All in favour.

RESOLVED that a donation of £140 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(f) Life Education Wessex

Proposed by Cllr Smith that £200 be awarded to Life Education Wessex, seconded by Cllr Johnson. All in favour.

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

(g) Colehill Community Library

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

RESOLVED that donation of £10500 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

**230.12** ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2012 to 17 October 2012.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

**231.12** EXPENDITURE 2013/14

Members considered that the play area would need increased funding and the office computer would need upgrading.

NOTED.

**232.12 ELECTORAL REVIEW OF EAST DORSET**

The Review Officer at the Local Government Boundary Commission had advised of the latest consultation.

Members thought that the Review Officer should be asked to consider de-warding Colehill Parish. At the moment there were four wards (East = 9 councillors, West = 4 councillors, Parmiter = 1 councillor, Lacy = 1 councillor)

Very often at election time, there were too many representatives for one particular ward (prompting an election) and not enough for another ward. If Colehill Parish was de-warded there would only need to be an election if there were more than 15 people standing. Councillors represented the whole of Colehill Parish anyway, not just the ward they were elected for, and so it would make sense to de-ward.

RESOLVED that the clerk advise the Review Officer that the Council would like Colehill Parish to be de-warded.

**233.12 INTERNAL AUDIT**

The Clerk advised that the half-year internal audit had commenced. She hoped that the report letter would be presented to Council on 13 November 2012.

NOTED.

**234.12 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

**235.12 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA**

- (a) Members discussed the progress of the development at the Reef. They were aware that David Tarring was attending Council on 13 November, but thought that it would also be useful to have a separate meeting to discuss the Reef with David and other interested parties. This would be discussed at Council.
- (b) Cllr Mitchell had met with Alex Winter the new Echo reporter for East Dorset.
- (c) Members agreed that no further discussion was required to encourage a local school to take part in the community as it was now taking part.

The Meeting ended at 20:44 hrs.

CHAIRMAN