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At a Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **22 JUNE 2004**.

PRESENT

Cllr Janet Dover, Chairman  
Cllrs John Bell, Gwen Divall, Jeffrey Greenwood, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Andrew Marsh, David Packer, Ted Phillips, Elena Pujol, David Topping, Don Wallace

IN ATTENDANCE

County Cllr Marilyn Osner  
PC Gary Miller, Community Beat Officer

APOLOGIES

Cllrs John Gooch, John Hurst, John Warren  
District Cllr. David Morgan

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two Members of the Public attended as observers in connection with the application for grant by Colehill Pre-School Nursery.

**75. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Cllr David Topping declared an interest in Minute 78 (Grant Application, Colehill Pre-School Nursery).

**76. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 11 May and 25 May (Special Meeting), having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**77. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman would be attending a Garden Party to be held at Dumpton School on 10 July to mark the launch of the restoration appeal for St Michael's Church.

**78. COLEHILL ACTION GROUP (CAG)**

Further to Minute 12, a receipt from the Friends of Victoria Hospital, Wimborne, had been received in acknowledgement of the balance of the Colehill Action Group Funds (£502.86) previously held within the Parish Council's accounts.

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**79. COLEHILL PRE-SCHOOL NURSERY GRANT APPLICATION**

Further to Minute 19, a letter from the Chairman of the Nursery Appeal Committee was submitted requesting reconsideration of the decision not to make a grant to the Nursery. A letter from DCC Education Officer was also circulated to Members to clarify the County Council's position in the move of

the pre-school playgroup from their existing leased accommodation on the 'old school' site.

During the ensuing discussion, Members reiterated the fact that the Council's estimate of £3,500 for 2004/05 for grants and donations was intended for allocation of smaller sums for maintenance and assistance to local organisations. It was felt that expenditure on the nursery accommodation equated with capital expenditure and was outside the remit of the Council's budget. Accordingly, it was RESOLVED that the resolution contained in Minute 19 be reaffirmed and that a grant to Colehill pre-school nursery be not approved.

**80. SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL**  
**WIMBORNE ROAD**

MINUTE 42

Following representations made to DCC about the withdrawal of the crossing patrol from Wimborne Road, the Parish Council had received a copy letter from Neil Fitch, DCC Road Safety Officer. He had inspected the location again and reported that no further action could be taken as the site did not meet the national criteria for a crossing patrol. The Clerk had received a report from a parent of a near miss accident involving a child trying to cross Wimborne Road.

Following discussion it was RESOLVED that a request be made to DCC for a pedestrian crossing in Wimborne Road.

**81. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN COLEHILL**

MINUTE 11

The Chairman welcomed Martha Perry, Community Safety Officer, and Karen Jaggs, Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, and invited them to explain their respective roles in dealing with under-age drinking, anti-social behaviour and related matters.

**(a) CONSULTATION - 'CONSUMPTION OF**  
**ALCOHOL IN PUBLIC PLACES ORDER'.**

MINUTE 2231.10.03

The original Order which covered Wimborne Minster was to be extended to include areas beyond the Town Centre. During the consultation process, the Parish Council had requested that Wimborne Road, Colehill be included within the terms of the Order. Martha Perry explained that further extension of the Order to include Colehill was not supported by the Police due to difficulties with enforcement. Incidents of antisocial behaviour reported in Colehill were being monitored to see whether the main problem was under-age drinkers who could be dealt with under other legislation.

**(b) TRADING STANDARDS - TEST PURCHASING**

MINUTE 11

With the support of DCC Trading Standards, all retail premises had been visited and the problems associated with young people and

alcohol were emphasised and their role in combating antisocial behaviour explained.

**(c) OLIVERS PARK**

Staff were aware that Olivers Park was becoming a seasonal 'hot spot' mainly for groups of younger people gathering at weekends. The Officers and PC Gary Miller, Community Beat Officer, were monitoring these gatherings and there would be some youth outreach work undertaken by Karen Jaggs.

It was proposed to invite residents from Cutlers Place to attend a public meeting to underline the action being taken by the Officers. Martha Perry would liaise with the Clerk regarding arrangements.

The Chairman thanked Martha Perry, Karen Jaggs and PC Gary Miller for their interesting and informative reports.

**82. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**(a) FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES - 25 MAY**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted, subject to the inclusion of Cllr John Bell as a Member of the Land Management Sub-Committee.

**(b) HIGHWAYS & PLANS - 25 MAY**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

M39 EDDC GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE.

Members continued to receive complaints from residents about the operation of the EDDC grass cutting contract. Cllr David Packer explained that a number of operational problems had occurred in the early days of the contract. These had been addressed and it was hoped that the work schedule would now run to order.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**(c) HIGHWAYS & PLANS - 15 JUNE**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**(d) LAND MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE - 15 JUNE**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**83. PARISH COUNCIL - INVESTMENT STRATEGY  
FINANCIAL REGULATION 8.2 - AMENDMENT**

Further to Minute 52, it was RESOLVED that Financial Regulation 8.2 be amended to read:-

*"The Council's investment strategy shall be in accordance with the Local Government Act 2003 and shall be approved by the Council before the start of the financial year."*

**84. COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL**

MINUTE 54

The Parish Council Sub-Committee had inspected the Hall on 11 June. All lighting had been checked and a Fire Alarm system had been installed. A copy of the Entertainment Licence had been received and arrangements were in hand to replace the lettering damaged as a result of vandalism. The cost of the replacement lettering would be recovered from the young people who had caused the damage.

RESOLVED that a letter of thanks be sent via the Community Beat Officer to the people who had reported the incident of vandalism to the Police and assisted in detaining the young people involved.

**85. TRAFFIC MATTERS - EAST BOROUGH, WIMBORNE**

Further to Minute 220.10.03, and the petition submitted to EDDC by residents in Wimborne Town requesting support for an experimental traffic management scheme. A Public Hearing would now be held on 15 July before a Panel of EDDC Members to inquire into the traffic situation in East Borough and other potentially affected streets. This Council had been invited to appoint a spokesperson to represent their views to the Panel.

RESOLVED that :-

- (a) Cllr John Bell be appointed to represent the Council at the meeting on 15 July.
- (b) Cllr Bell be requested to reinforce this Council's declared concerns about the detrimental effect of the proposed changes on traffic flow in the Burts Hill area and the disbursement of traffic into Allenvie Road.

**86. CLERK'S REPORT**

Members noted items in the Clerk's Report, including changes in the times for visits to Furzehill and Colehill of the Dorset Police Eastern Community Support Unit.

**87. REPORTS**

Reports were given by Representatives of the Council on the following Bodies:

**DCC**

DCC Officers had met representatives from Furzehill *FLASH* regarding their village plan and a further meeting had been requested.

**EDDC**

Further funding had been approved for remedial work on Allendale House. A planning application for re-development of Streets Meadow had been submitted and approved.

**COLEHILL COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL**

Good progress was being made with the school building contract.

**HAYESWOOD COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL**

The School was at full complement with 175 pupils. Complaints had been received from residents about parking in Cutlers Place, where drivers were mounting the grass verge to avoid parked cars. The matter had been referred to DCC.

**ST CATHERINE'S RC SCHOOL**

A building certificate was being sought for the new extension.

**WIMBORNE CEMETERY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Full Minutes were now circulated to Parish Council Members with the Clerk's Report. Cllr KD Johnson had been appointed Chairman of the Management Committee. The Lodge had been let to a new tenant and a replacement Kubota tractor had now been purchased.

**THE REEF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The OFSTED inspection went well. Attendance at Junior and Senior nights was good and liaison with St Michael's Middle School had improved.

**DAPTC**

No report.

**COLEHILL COMMUNITY WEBSITE**

No report

**FOOTPATH LIAISON OFFICER**

Cllr KD Johnson had liaised with John Williamson, DCC Rights of Way Officer regarding FP 21 (Minute 73 refers). FP 37 (Middlehill Road to Park Homer Drive) had been cleared. Clearance work was required on FP 14 (Glynville Road- Sandy Lane).

**88. FRIENDS OF COLEHILL LIBRARY**

Cllr Janet Dover reported that following circulation of library stocks the book stock at Colehill library had been increased and many new titles were now available.

**89. CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU**

Cllrs Phillips and Gooch had attended the AGM and a copy of the Bureau's Annual Report was presented.

**90. ED COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

Notes of the Meeting of the Wimborne & District Local Action Group held 12 May had been circulated to Members.

**91. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 1 be passed for payment and cheques drawn therefor.

The Meeting ended at 21.02hrs.

CHAIRMAN