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At the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** of COLEHILL PARISH held in the Betty Webster Committee Room at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **12 APRIL 2005**.

PRESENT

Cllrs John Bell, Janet Dover, John Gooch, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Andrew Marsh, Ted Phillips, Elena Pujol, David Torring, Don Wallace, John Warren.

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u> PC Gary Miller, Colehill Community Beat Officer

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Gwen Divall, Jeffrey Greenwood, David Packer Dist. Cllr David Morgan EDDC Chief Executive - Alan Breakwell

There was one member of the public present.

446 <u>WELCOME</u>

The Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr Janet Dover, extended a welcome to all present.

447 <u>MINUTES</u>

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 April 2004, having been circulated were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

448 <u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>

Reviewing items dealt with during a very busy year, Cllr Janet Dover made particular reference to the following matters:

(a) <u>Parish Council</u>

Following much deliberation at the time of the last Annual Parish Meeting, the Parish Council had decided not to embark on preparation of a Parish Plan. Member's surgeries at the Library had been introduced during the year and continued.

(b) <u>Policing</u>

Parish Council had received visits from PC Gary Miller and recently Inspector Holland to outline the action being taken by the Police to deal with issues arising from groups of youths congregating in the Parish on Friday evenings. All agencies were working together to meet this need.

(c) <u>Planning</u>

The proposal by Vodafone to erect a third telecomm mast on Cannon Hill had been approved on Appeal.

(d) <u>Highways</u>

DCC's 'Speed Indicator Device' had been used to good effect in Middlehill Road to help reduce traffic speed. The Council had agreed to help the Furzehill FLASH Group in their on-going campaign for a safer Hamlet in Furzehill and funding had been allocated towards the cost of a village sign. The placing of kerb stones in Colehill Lane was proving beneficial in stopping erosion of The Triangle verge by parked vehicles.

- (e) <u>Transport</u> Residents continued to express their appreciation of the four bus shelters provided and maintained by DCC.
- (f) Recreation

Members had visited Moors Valley Country Park in May 2004 to look at ideas for countryside management at Olivers Park and The Triangle.

- (g) <u>The Triangle</u> The revised Management Plan for the Triangle was agreed in August 2004. Many workdays had been held with Members and volunteers working hard to open-up the wood to give better public access.
- (h) <u>DCC</u>

Representations had been made to DCC about management of their recycling facility at Brook Road and the withdrawal of the school crossing patrol from Wimborne Road for children attending St Michael's Middle School.

- (i) <u>ED Community Partnership</u> The Parish Council was involved with the ED Community Partnership and Local Action Group meetings on youth, health and crime reduction had been attended.
- (j) <u>Public Facilities</u>

There were on-going management issues with the BMX trails which the newly formed Land Management Sub-Committee were addressing. The Parish Council was aware of difficulties experienced by local residents gaining access to EDDC land at 'By The Way' and to the adjacent Nature Reserve at Leigh Common. After a wait of forty years the new Colehill First School building was now finished and a special Open Day had been held on March 21.

The Chairman concluded by thanking the Members and the Clerk for their support and hard work during the year.

449 PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

Copies of the audited Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 had been circulated and a Receipts and Payments summary of the Accounts at 31 March 2005 was available for information.

RESOLVED that the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 be received and noted.

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting closed at 19.50hrs.