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At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **20 JANUARY 2009**.

**PRESENT**

Cllr Keith Baker, Chairman  
Cllr KD Johnson, Vice-Chairman  
Cllrs John Bell, Susan Davies, Janet Dover, Coirin Duff, John Gooch,  
Joe Kingsmill, Dave Mitchell, David Packer and Don Wallace.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Mike Bartlett, Tony Holloway, Ted Phillips, John Warren and  
District Councillor Morgan.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr and Mrs Wright of Ashmeads Way.  
PC Steve Brett.

Mr Wright informed Council that youths were regularly spraying graffiti on walls and fences in Ashmeads Way. He asked who was responsible for cleaning the graffiti from these areas. The Vice-Chairman considered that EDDC would arrange for graffiti to be cleaned from public property, but that private property was the responsibility of the owner.

Mr Wright advised that he had contacted Victim Support and been told that funding could be available to help cover the costs of cleaning up the graffiti.

Cllr Dover said that she would raise this graffiti problem at the next PACT meeting and advised that EDDC's Community Safety Officer would respond to Mr Wright's query when she returned from leave.

The Chairman explained that HomeWatch owned a graffiti removal kit and portable CCTV equipment and he asked Mr Wright to contact him after the meeting to discuss whether HomeWatch would be able to help.

**313.09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**314.09 CLLR DAVE MITCHELL**

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Mitchell to the Council. Cllr Mitchell had been co-opted at an informal meeting held on 9 December 2008, the notes of which appear at Appendix 1 to these Minutes.

Cllr Gooch proposed that Cllr Mitchell be appointed to serve on Highways and Plans Committee and Finance and General Purposes Committee, seconded by Cllr Davies. Unanimous.

The Clerk reported that she had arranged for Cllr Mitchell to apply for a Dispensation from East Dorset District Council's Standards Committee as a result of the Members holding the capacity as custodian trustees of the Colehill Memorial Hall.

RESOLVED that Cllr Mitchell be appointed to serve on Highways and Plans Committee and Finance and General Purposes Committee.

**315.09 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman had attended the Carol Concert around the Christmas tree, at St Michael's Church, on 14 December.

**316.09 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 December were submitted.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

**317.09 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

262.08 (a) 201.08 The Big Clean – EDDC had advised that a litter bin would not be installed in the Canford Bottom area as the litter was not excessive and the area was scheduled to be litter picked regularly.

**318.09 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(a) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 16 DECEMBER

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

280.08 Record of Dog Fouling Patrol – Cllr Dover asked if the Dog Warden could be informed of the dog fouling problems occurring in Cutlers Place, Bridle Way and Canford View Drive.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(b) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 13 JANUARY

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

The page numbers be amended to numbers 145-150.

288.09 12a Canford View Drive The Council had objected to this application and expected it to go to EDDC's Planning Committee. However the Planning Officer had asked for it to be considered under delegated powers. There had been no objections from neighbours and he would be recommending that planning permission be granted. The Highways and Plans Committee Members agreed that the application did not need to go to EDDC's Planning Committee.

298.08 Speed Indicator Device – Discussions were being held as to whether a post would be needed in Middlehill Road once the traffic calming measures were in place.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(c) FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 13 JANUARY

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

The page numbers be amended to numbers 151-159.

304.09 Electronic Distribution of Minutes and Agendas – Members had received their 2<sup>nd</sup> class post correspondence within an appropriate time scale.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**319.09 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The Annual Parish Meeting would be held on 21 April 2009, at 7.00 pm, at the Betty Webster committee room. The meeting would be advertised on the notice boards and website. It was agreed that there would not be a speaker at this event.

NOTED.

**320.09 COLEHILL PARISH PLAN**

Cllr Packer updated Members on the actions from the Parish Plan which were nearing completion or had been completed. Cllr Packer advised that a number of actions were still outstanding.

A meeting of the Parish Plan Advisory Committee would be arranged to decide which actions should be addressed at the next Council meeting.

NOTED.

**321.09 MEETING DATES**

RESOLVED that the meeting dates listed in Appendix 2 be accepted.

NOTED.

**322.09 ADVICE ON PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS**

East Dorset District Council's Head of Legal Services had reminded Members of the guidelines for personal and prejudicial interests.

NOTED.

**323.09 REPORTS**

**DCC**

Cllr Dover reported that the replacement street lights were continuing to be installed and that residents should telephone Southern Electric Contracting if they wished to query the positioning of a light or report back lighting.

Cllr Dover would chase up the calendar of roads from SEC and provide a copy to Cllr Bell.

Cllr Dover reported that DCC had received one star following an assessment of Social Care Services.

**EDDC**

Cllr Wallace reported that Policy and Resources Committee had agreed to commit £44,000 over three years to Activate 1000, a project to get 3000 extra people outdoors. He also reported on the appeal dismissal of the

61 dwellings at Heath Close.

Cllr Packer confirmed that SEC was prepared to re-think positions of street lights if residents explained their concerns. He also reported on the Activate 1000 project and the Council Tax for East Dorset.

Cllr Dover highlighted concerns regarding the foot bridge which would lead to the new Waitrose development. The bridge would be accessible by steps and would not provide a ramped access. Cllr Davies advised that Waitrose was trying to resolve this problem.

#### **WIMBORNE CEMETERY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Cllr Johnson reported that an electrical survey on the lodge had highlighted a number of discrepancies and this would be rectified at a cost of £750.00

#### **THE REEF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Cllr Dover would be meeting with the Committee on 22 January.

Cllr Davies had met with the Fundraising Committee and they were grateful for the offer of free rental of the Memorial Hall. They would be holding a Barn Dance at the Allendale Centre on 28 March to help raise funds.

#### **COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Cllr Gooch reported that the Committee had investigated the installation of double glazing in the top windows, but that the cost would outweigh any savings and would not be a worthwhile expenditure. He also reported that the electrician had installed another pump in the heating system.

The Quiz Night on 17 January had been a successful evening.

A grant application form would be sent to the Treasurer of the Committee.

#### **DAPTC**

Cllr Bell would be attending meetings on 21 and 23 January.

#### **RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER**

No report.

#### **PARISH ANCIENT MONUMENTS LIAISON OFFICER**

No report.

#### **COLEHILL LIBRARY**

Cllr Dover had recently attended the Friends of Colehill Library AGM; she requested that more Councillors attend similar events in the future.

#### **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT – PUBLIC MEETING**

Cllr Gooch had attended this meeting on 16 January in Dorchester. He explained that it was the duty of Local Authorities to implement this Act, however they must establish a citizens' panel and this was where parish and town councils could be involved in the process.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Cllr Davies reported that the parties could only go ahead if the volunteers had been checked by the Criminal Records Bureau; she would continue to investigate the details, but considered that the parties would probably not be held this year. It was possible that a community barbecue could be held instead.

**NEWSLETTER**

Cllr Davies reported on the meeting of the Editorial Board. It was planned that the spring edition of the Newsletter would be distributed the week commencing 20 April, to coincide with the end of the Easter holidays.

**WEBSITE**

Cllr Davies reported that the Clerk had recently received the website training.

**324.09 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 3 be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

The Meeting ended at 21.10 hrs.

CHAIRMAN