

CCL2010.09.14

At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **14 SEPTEMBER 2010**.

PRESENT

Cllr KD Johnson, Chairman
Cllr Dave Mitchell, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Mike Bartlett, John Bell, Susan Davies, Janet Dover, Coirin Duff,
Tony Holloway, David Packer*, Don Wallace and John Warren.

*Cllr Packer arrived at 20.30 (Item 10 Country Fair).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Keith Baker, Pat Francis and District Cllr David Morgan.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr David Topping attended to update Members on the development at The Reef.

166.10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

167.10 MR TED PHILLIPS

The Chairman asked Members to stand in silent tribute in honour of Ted Phillips who died on 26 July.

168.10 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman informed Members of Cllr Joe Kingsmill's resignation. He also advised that this would create a vacancy on the Wimborne Cemetery Joint Management Committee.

A letter of thanks would be sent to Cllr Kingsmill. The casual vacancy would be advertised according to procedures and the vacancy on the Cemetery Committee would be discussed at a future Council meeting.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the following events: Green Environment Seminar, LCAS Seminar, Verwood Rustic Fair and Wimborne Community Theatre. Cllr Mitchell had attended the Ferndown Civic Reception on his behalf. The Chairman also reported that the two new goal posts had been installed at Oliver's Park.

169.10 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13 July were submitted.

92.10 Reports DCC – the words "DCC needed to save £30m over the next year" be altered to "DCC needed to save £30m over the next three years"

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

170.10 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES

94.10 (c) Cllr Mitchell would be meeting with a local farmer to discuss an area of land.

171.10 COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 20 July

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

119.10 Pot Holes – DCC to be asked what plans had been made for the refurbishment of Sandy Lane.

123.10 Housing Development Powers for Villages – a response had not yet been received from Mrs Annette Brooke MP.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(b) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 17 August

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(c) FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 17 August

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

139.10 Country Fair the words “Cllr Davies advised that the Council had covered the costs, making £1523.70” be altered to “Cllr Davies advised that £1523.70 had been raised and the costs had been covered in this amount”.

142.10 Improved play provision at Oliver’s Park Cllr Dover and the Clerk had met with Simon Woodcock to discuss play provision. Simon planned to arrange various consultations; the Clerk would contact Simon for more details.

(d) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 7 September

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

151.10 BMX Trail Cllr Johnson would replace Cllr Kingsmill as one of the members of the BMX group.

159.10 Canford Bottom Roundabout Mouchel had advised that there was no planned consultation ahead of the National Spend Review. If funding was achieved, the Highways Agency was likely to hold a public exhibition at a local venue in Q1 of 2011 to inform members of the public. Mouchel advised that they were working closely with Dorset County Council during the design phase.

161.10 Pavement Adjacent Co-op Car Park DCC had advised that this proposal could not be supported. This matter to be discussed at the next Highways and Plans Committee.

162.10 Redundant Railway Bridge, North Leigh Lane – 18T Weight Restriction Cllr Dover advised that she had also supported this proposal as the County Councillor.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

172.10 COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE LTD

Mr David Tarring updated Members on the fundraising at The Reef. Approximately £350 had been raised at the Country Fair and £165 at the Flower Festival. The SW Regional Development Agency had expressed an interest in the development and could possibly provide £130,000.

Cllr Mitchell advised that the development needed to progress to satisfy the External Auditor.

Mr Tarring would be meeting with EDDC's Jonathan Ross to discuss the information he had received from three architects, however Mr Tarring considered that it would also be beneficial if he could seek advice from Cllr Duff regarding the quotations.

Cllr Mitchell proposed, seconded by Cllr Wallace, that Cllr Duff be permitted to advise the Reef Management Committee on matters connected with the build. 9:0 (Cllr Dover abstained).

RESOLVED that Cllr Duff be permitted to advise the Reef Management Committee on matters connected with the build.

173.10 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
(Minute 131.10 refers)

Cllrs Mitchell and Davies agreed to stand as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

RESOLVED that the appointment of Cllrs Mitchell and Davies be put to the vote at the next Finance and General Purposes Committee.

174.10 COUNTRY FAIR – 15 AUGUST

Cllr Davies advised that the community event had broke even. Visitor numbers had been down by approximately 100, but the mix of exhibitors had improved.

Cllr Davies considered that a Country Fair should be held next year, but that it would be necessary to re-think aspects of it, for example the location and entrance fee charge.

Cllr Warren proposed, seconded by Cllr Mitchell, that a Country Fair be held next year and that a Sub-Committee be set up to help organise the event. 10:0 (Cllr Dover abstained).

The Sub-Committee Members would be Cllrs Bartlett, Davies, Gretton, Johnson and Mitchell, although other Members could volunteer at a later date if they wished.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the Sub-Committee meet to commence arrangements for a Country Fair in 2011;
- (b) the details be brought back to Council for information and discussion.

175.10 DISTRIBUTION OF NEWSLETTER (Minute 89.10 refers)

Cllr Davies reported that a number of businesses had shown an interest in advertising in the newsletter and that the Post Office would charge £500 to deliver an eight page newsletter to every household in Colehill.

RESOLVED that the Post Office distribution service be used.

176.10 INTERNAL AUDIT – HALF YEAR

Arrangements had been made for the half yearly internal audit to commence on 1 October.

NOTED.

**177.10 AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS
YEAR END MARCH 2010**

The Annual Return had been completed by the Auditor on 18 August. There were no matters which came to the Auditor's attention which required the issuing of a separate additional issues arising report.

RESOLVED that the Annual Return be approved and accepted.

178.10 COUNCILLORS' UPDATE

DAPTC had organised a training seminar to update Councillors. The seminar would cost £15 per head and be held on 28 September, at 7.00 pm, at Dorchester. The seminar would include information on the Code of Conduct and how central Government's programme might affect town and parish councils, eg Right to Build and capping of precepts.

RESOLVED that Cllrs Davies, Johnson and Warren attend.

179.10 DRAFT STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

EDDC had provided a copy of their draft statement of Licensing Policy, a copy of which had been forwarded to each Councillor.

RESOLVED that no comments be made on the draft statement.

180.10 LOCAL REFERENDUMS TO VETO EXCESSIVE COUNCIL TAX INCREASES

The Department for Communities and Local Government was consulting with local authorities on changes to the capping regime. EDDC had provided a copy of the consultation to Members for information.

NOTED.

181.10 STANDING ORDERS FOR LOCAL COUNCILS

The National Association of Local Councils had provided guidelines on how to ensure that the Council's Standing Orders remained up-to-date.

The Clerk would be reviewing the Council's Standing Orders and would report on any changes that needed to be made at a future meeting.

NOTED.

**182.10 REPORTS
DCC**

Cllr Dover reported that DCC had not yet confirmed what budgets would be cut and that a public inquiry, lasting approximately 8-12 months, would be held on whether the land Waitrose had been built on should be Village Green status.

EDDC

Cllr Wallace reported that the RSS was on hold, that he was attending monthly meetings with Christchurch Borough Council whilst deputising for the Liberal Democrat leader and that the Chief Executive interviews would be held on 17 September.

Cllr Packer reported that a joint meeting with Christchurch Borough Council would be held on 29 September to discuss core strategy. The public would be permitted to respond during the consultation period.

COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

No report.

DAPTC

No report.

RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER

No report.

COLEHILL LIBRARY

No report.

BMX TRAIL

No report.

THE REEF

Attendance was high, the new year groups had started and the outdoor table tennis equipment had been set up.

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL

Mr Norman Davies was no longer a governor.

PACT

The PACT group for Colehill and Wimborne would now meet on different days. The plastic policeman would be used in a different location from Lonnen Road.

WIMBORNE CEMETERY

A new tractor had been ordered and a new apprentice would be recruited.

EDITORIAL BOARD

Articles for the newsletter should be provided to Cllr Davies as soon as possible.

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENTAL LIAISON OFFICERS

Cllr Johnson would contact DCC to enquire whether more information could be provided to Cllrs Francis and Gretton.

183.10 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

184.10 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Cllr Holloway reported that he had raised £1470 through opening up his garden during the summer.

The Meeting ended at 21.08 hrs.

CHAIRMAN