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At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **2 NOVEMBER 2010**.

PRESENT

Cllr KD Johnson, Chairman

Cllr Dave Mitchell, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Keith Baker, John Bell, Coirin Duff, Pat Francis, Sue Gretton, Tony Holloway, Don Wallace and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Mike Bartlett, Susan Davies, Janet Dover and David Packer.

IN ATTENDANCE

Richard Henshaw and Sally Knott from Policy Planning at East Dorset District Council.
PC Steve Brett.

235.10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

236.10 CHRISTCHURCH AND EAST DORSET CORE STRATEGY OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The Chairman invited Richard Henshaw to introduce the Core Strategy and to discuss the issues and options affecting Colehill.

Richard stressed the need to consider the potential options and what facilities the Parish would like to see with reference to the Colehill Parish Plan.

Councillor Francis said he had been contacted by residents who were concerned about the development of a sports village and new housing behind them on the Parmiter estate. Richard said that he hoped they would attend the local exhibitions so that they could air their concerns.

Councillor Warren asked what the definition of 'affordable housing' was. Richard referred to the definition in the Local Plan which sets out that it relates to the ability of households to afford to either rent or buy within the private market.

Councillor Holloway raised concerns about traffic that could be generated from development at Cranborne Road which may cut through Burts Hill and Middlehill Road.

Councillor Wallace asked if the sites were in the Green Belt. Richard and Sally confirmed that they were mainly Green Belt areas.

Councillor Mitchell suggested there was a need for a doctor's surgery in Colehill. Richard said that discussions were being held with Victoria Hospital and the Quarter Jack Surgery regarding expansions.

Councillor Davies had a series of questions about the proposed options (which were asked in her absence):

- What proportion of the 550 homes would be designated as 'affordable housing'? Richard said there could be up to 40–50%, although it may be that a proportion or financial sum may be taken off site.
- Extending First School and Middle School Provision. Richard said this had been taken into account and EDDC was in discussion with DCC about future needs. Provision for a new school had been made in the site at Cranborne Road.
- Future employment. Richard explained about the potential employment growth options in the Core Strategy. The Ferndown Industrial estate would be extended to the NW edge with industrial sites at Woolsbridge, Sturminster Marshall and St Leonards Hospital. Richard explained that EDDC could not insist on high wage firms, but could provide good sites and good employees to attract them into the area.
- Transport. Concerns about the options and the impact on Colehill and the A31.
- Health. Will a new health centre be guaranteed? Richard explained about the possible expansion of the hospital, and that they were in discussion with the health providers to see what their future needs would be.
- New EDDC offices. If the offices were to be relocated, the Council would need to decide on the future use of Furzehill.
- How long before we see any development on site? The Core Strategy should be adopted in 2 years time. The Cranborne Road site already had a developer interested in developing the site. The plan period was for 15 years, but development could take place early on in the plan period if the land owner and developer agreed, and plans moved forward successfully.

Richard concluded by explaining that the development options involved 4% of the green belt in East Dorset (138 hectares out of 33,000 hectares).

The Chairman thanked Richard and Sally for attending the meeting and informed Members that a special meeting would be arranged so that the Council's comments could be collated.

237.10 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman advised that he and Cllrs Davies and Warren had attended a councillors' update seminar. He also advised on the Government's plans to abolish the Standards Board for England.

238.10 **CLERK'S REPORT**

- (a) The Colehill PACT Panel would be holding a public meeting at Colehill Memorial Hall on 3 November.
- (b) EDDC would be arranging for Colehill to have a Give or Take Day in January or February 2011.
- (c) The One Stop shop had arranged for staff to litter pick and monitor the area around the store.
- (d) A resident had asked about the Government's plans to sell off Forestry Commission land and whether Cannon Hill Plantation would be affected. The Forestry Commission had been unable to comment as details of the Government's strategic approach to forestry in England had not been decided. Annette Brooke MP had also been contacted and a response would be reported to Highways and Plans Committee.

239.10 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 September were submitted.

Page 83 182.10 Reports EDDC – the last sentence “The public would be permitted to respond during the consultation period.” be altered to “The public would be encouraged to respond during the consultation period.”

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

240.10 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

171.10 (c) 142.10 Improved play provision at Oliver's Park Cllr Dover had visited West Bay play area to look at the equipment that EDDC hoped to install at Oliver's Park. Cherie Murray and the young people from The Reef had also visited West Bay to look at the equipment.

241.10 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- (a) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 21 September
The report of the Meeting was submitted.

188.10 - 123.10 Housing Development Powers for Villages A response had been received from the Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Minister for Housing and Local Government. The correspondence would be discussed at Highways and Plans on 9 November.

195.10 Pedestrian Crossing, Middlehill Road DCC has advised that no new requests would be processed and surveyed until there was a budget provision to allow them to be designed and built.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(c) FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 12 October

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

205.10 Accounts DCC had confirmed that the adoption of the street lights had been completed.

209.10 Newsletter This had been delivered to every household.

210.10 Remembrance Day Canon Goodall had decided that the speaker would use the megaphone.

211.10 Country Fair 2011 This would be discussed at Council on 7 December.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(c) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 19 October

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

229.10 Overgrown Vegetation at Giddylake EDDC had inspected the tree and had concluded that the tree did not need felling, however the resident had been given permission to cut back the lateral branches if she wished to. A letter would be sent to the resident explaining why DCC and EDDC were not able to carry out any work on the tree and vegetation.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

242.10 VACANCY ON CEMETERY COMMITTEE

This item was deferred until after the Co-option interviews.

243.10 CANDIDATES FOR CO-OPTION

RESOLVED that Cllrs Mitchell and Wallace, together with the Chairman, ask the questions at the interviews on 23 November 2010.

244.10 PARISH PLAN

Cllr Mitchell advised that much of the Parish Plan had been delivered. There was very little that could be done about health issues, although services to the housebound had improved. Cllr Mitchell hoped that Council could review the Parish Plan with a view to having an open evening in 2011.

RESOLVED that the Parish Plan be reviewed at a future Council meeting.

245.10 SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

RESOLVED that the Chief Constable be informed that the Council valued having PC Brett as part of the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

246.10 ADOPTION OF PARTNERSHIP BEHAVIOUR PROTOCOL

This item was deferred.

247.10 SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN: LEVEL TWO

RESOLVED that Cllrs Francis and Warren, with the Clerk, attend the Level Two course run by East Dorset District Council.

248.10 REPORTS

DCC

Cabinet would meet on 3 November to discuss proposals regarding the comprehensive spending review.

EDDC

Cllr Wallace reported that the Planning Committee had agreed the extension of the Priest's House Museum.

WIMBORNE CEMETERY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

THE REEF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Very busy, attendance was high. Beaucroft School pupils had been attending and the young people from The Reef were mentoring them.

COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Income was £19,000 per year, up 6%. Last year's expenditure was £36,000. There was £9,500 in funds. The film night had been successful and a quiz night was planned for April.

DAPTC

The Chairman and Vice Chairman had been returned.

RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER

A complaint had been received regarding horse riders using the footpath from Leigh Lane to Park Homer Road. The complainant had been advised to contact John Williamson at DCC.

COLEHILL LIBRARY

Nothing to report.

BMX TRAIL

Nothing to report.

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENTAL LIAISON OFFICER

The Chairman had not received a reply to his email.

249.00 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

250.00 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- (a) The old stop signs by the chicanes had not been burnt off properly. DCC would be informed.
- (b) The conservation day volunteers had removed the broken fence by the Kyrchil Corner cycle path.
- (c) Cllr Mitchell would be attending two ETAG meetings. The Core Strategy was being well received.

The Meeting ended at 21.20 hrs.

CHAIRMAN