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At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **25 JANUARY 2011**.

PRESENT

Cllr KD Johnson, Chairman
Cllr Dave Mitchell, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Janet Dover, Sue Gretton, Pat Francis, Tony Holloway, Graeme Smith, David Packer, Don Wallace and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Mike Bartlett, Keith Baker, John Bell, Susan Davies and Coirin Duff.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Derek Henderson from Friends of Colehill Library attended to explain how busy Colehill Library was and how worried residents were about losing it.

PC Steven Brett attended to advise on the change of surgery dates. The surgery outside the Co-op on the first Wednesday of the month would now start at 2.30 pm for an hour. The surgeries at Howell House and the Reef had been cancelled due to a lack of interest, but the Street Corner Meetings would be starting again.

356.11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

357.11 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman reported on his attendance at the Dorset Waste Forum. He also read out a letter from Chief Constable Martin Baker in response to the Council's letter regarding how much the Council valued PC Brett and the Colehill Safer Neighbourhood Team.

358.11 WIMBORNE AND COLEHILL YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Mr David Topping had been unable to attend the meeting, although he had provided the information requested. The time plan, prepared by the architect Kendall Kingscott, showed a build date of 1 July 2011, however, this was dependent on the funding from the Regional Development Programme for England.

It was agreed that Mr David Topping should be invited to the meeting on 8 March.

359.11 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7 December were submitted.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

360.11 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

305.10 Cllr Dover and the Clerk had met with EDDC's Simon Woodcock to discuss the feedback. Simon would investigate the ideas and contact two contractors. More consultation would be conducted. It was thought that the funding would be available this year.

361.11 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(a) **HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 14 December**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(b) **HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 11 January**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

334.11 EDDC had invited Council to send a speaker regarding the Planning Application at Peacehaven, Furzehill. EDDC to be informed that no-one was available on the date required.

341.10 the sentence "Although not opposed to the development, Members had concerns regarding the size and whether local people would benefit from the social housing that was proposed." be altered to "Although not opposed to the development, Members had concerns regarding the size of development, whether local people would benefit from the social housing that was proposed and the traffic driving up Burts Hill and through Colehill."

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(c) **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 11 January**

The report of the Meeting was submitted.

Cllrs Janet Dover and Don Wallace and Mrs Linda Dickens be added to the list of attendees.

349.11 Early indications from the schools showed that they would not be able to fund the school crossing patrols or find volunteers. Cllrs Davies, Dover, Packer and Wallace would be attending a PTA meeting at St Michael's Middle School to discuss school crossing patrols.

353.11 Cllr Packer reported that Canon John Holbrook, the Rector from Wimborne Minster, had chosen the Reef as one of his charities.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

- 362.11** **COLEHILL LIBRARY ACTION GROUP**
RESOLVED that Cllrs Dover, Gretton, Mitchell, Smith and Packer be appointed to the Colehill Library Action Group.
- 363.11** **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**
RESOLVED that Cllr Wallace be appointed as a member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.
- 364.11** **NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION**
This item was deferred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee on 22 February.
- 365.11** **PARISH PLAN**
Cllr Mitchell distributed a review of the Parish Plan and requested that Members read it in preparation for a discussion at Council on 8 March.
- Cllr Mitchell hoped that a public meeting could be arranged so that residents could see what had been achieved. The information would also be made available on the website, in the newsletter and by press release.
- The Members thanked Cllr Mitchell for his hard work with this review.
- RESOLVED that a public meeting be arranged.
- 366.11** **TREASURY RESERVE ACCOUNT (Minute 311.10 refers)**
Advice had been sought from EDDC regarding investing the £200,000 loan money. Unfortunately EDDC was unable to provide advice as they did not know what the length of investment would be or how much risk the Council was prepared to take. They did however advise on which banks provided the best short term credit ratings.
- Cllr Gretton advised that the Government's compensation scheme covered up to £85,000 so it would be wise to separate the £200,000 into different bank accounts.
- RESOLVED that different bank accounts be investigated and discussed at Finance and General Purposes Committee on 22 February.
- 367.11** **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2011**
Information had been provided to assist the Council in co-ordinating a successful campaign in the run-up to the election.
- RESOLVED that an awareness raising meeting for potential candidates be arranged on the same day as the Parish Plan public meeting.

368.11 OLIVER'S PARK MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The Oliver's Park maintenance contract with Continental Landscapes was due to expire on 31 January 2011.

Continental Landscapes and Dorset Works Organisation had provided quotations for the maintenance work from 1 February 2011 to 31 January 2012, the details of which are available on file CPC/Oliver's Park.

RESOLVED that DCC's Dorset Works Organisation be awarded the maintenance contract up to 31 January 2012.

369.11 RISK ASSESSMENTS

RESOLVED that the Grit Bin Risk Assessment and Conservation Work Day Risk Assessment be approved, with both being reviewed annually at the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee.

370.11 CENTENARY SIGN REPLACEMENT

This item was deferred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee on 22 February 2011.

371.11 MEETING DATES

RESOLVED that the meeting dates for May 2011 to April 2012 be agreed.

372.11 GIVE OR TAKE DAY

EDDC's Give or Take Day would be held on 29 January, at Colehill Memorial Hall, at 9.30 am until approximately 12 noon. EDDC had arranged for the WI to provide the refreshments and had requested a Police presence to deter traders from attending.

Members discussed last year's Give or Take Day when a trader and his family took the bicycles that had been donated. EDDC be asked to consider introducing a rule that people did not take items if they planned to sell them.

NOTED.

373.11 REPORTS

DCC

Cllr Dover reported that the shortfall had risen to £58.5m. Staff had been told to take 12 days unpaid leave, which would save £4.4m, however this equated to each member of staff having a 4.6% pay cut.

The Cabinet would consider the library issues at their July meeting, however offers to communities would still be made in February.

School crossing patrols would be extended until March 2012 and on 29 January a protest march regarding the school crossing patrols was being held in Dorchester.

The Highways Agency was waiting to hear about the funding for the Canford Bottom Roundabout and they would also be arranging for the rabbits to be exterminated under the Pests Act.

EDDC

Cllr Wallace reported that the partnership with Christchurch was almost in place and that no plans for the 600 dwellings had been submitted to date.

Cllr Packer reported on the structure of the budget.

WIMBORNE CEMETERY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

THE REEF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Cllr Gretton reported that a cinema event would be held on 7 July. The heating was fine and the claim was still being pursued.

COLEHILL FIRST SCHOOL

Nothing to report.

DAPTC

Cllr Warren reported that cemetery business rates were being valued. DAPTC was investigating whether parish and town councils could be covered under one insurance policy.

RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER

Nothing to report.

CHILD PROTECTION

Cllr Warren and the Clerk had attended a training day on Child Protection.

PACT

Cllr Warren would be attending a meeting in February.

374.11

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

375.11 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND FUTURE AGENDA

- (a) The Clerk reported on EDDC's response to the Caravanette parked in a lay by at Cranborne Road. DCC were aware of the vehicle on their land, but at present there were no reasons available to remove the vehicle and EDDC could not use public health nuisance powers as there were no accumulations of rubbish or other materials that constituted a public health nuisance.
- (b) Cllr Mitchell advised of the letter that would be sent to EDDC's Richard Henshaw regarding a proposed development at Wimborne Road.
- (c) Cllr Johnson asked that a Colehill spring clean event be discussed at the next Council meeting.
- (d) Cllr Holloway asked when the Ferndown bypass was due to be litter picked.

The Meeting ended at 21.06 hrs.

CHAIRMAN