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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of
COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the MEMORIAL HALL on
26 APRIL 2005.

PRESENT

Cllr John Gooch, Chairman
Cllr KD Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs John Bell, Gwen Divall, Andrew Marsh, David Packer, Ted Phillips,
John Warren

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Janet Dover, Jeffrey Greenwood

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The BMX Trails having been closed since 30 September, five young people attended to enquire about the future of the Trail. The Chairman thanked the riders for coming. He explained that there were management matters relating to insurance cover that would need to be discussed by the full Council before a decision could be taken about the future. He assured the young people that they would be kept informed.

476 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr KD Johnson declared his interest in Minute 481 (ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT) Cheque 803.

477 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 March, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

478 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS - 2005/06

Applications were submitted from E D Citizens Advice Bureau and Colehill Sports Youth Football Club.

RESOLVED that the following grants be made:-

ED Citizens Advice Bureau	Grant	£1,000
Colehill Sports Youth FC	Grant	£172.22
(Section 1(b) Local Government Act 1976 [Hire of pitches])		

479 REVIEW OF INSURANCE POLICY

MINUTE 426

The Council's Insurance Policy was due for renewal in May and consideration was given to increasing the Fidelity Guarantee cover.

RESOLVED that cover be increased to £85,000.

480 AUDIT - YEAR END MARCH 2005

Notification was received that the External Audit of 2004/5 Accounts would take place on 21 October.

NOTED

481 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed at Appendix 1 be passed for payment and cheques drawn therefor.

482 THE TRIANGLE - TREE INSPECTION RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT

MINUTE 431(d)

The report from Mr A Scott had been received and would be circulated to Land Management Sub-Committee on 17 May for detailed consideration. Action was recommended within 6 months of the date of the report.

RESOLVED that

- (a) The report be received and copied to East Dorset Tree Officer for information.
- (b) Subject to no adverse comments by the Tree Officer on recommendations contained in the report, two quotations be invited for the works proposed.

483 LAND OFF SMUGGLERS LANE BMX TRAILS

(a) SITE INSPECTION

Further to Minute 432, Cllr Gwen Divall reported that, together with Cllr KD Johnson and the Clerk, she had inspected the site on 23 April. Jumps on the course had been altered and there were a number of holes dug on site. Two runs of lower jumps had been constructed to the left of the entrance making it impossible for walkers to pass.

Cllr Divall asked all Members to visit the site themselves and gave notice that a Motion regarding the future of the site would be moved at Council Meeting (24 May).

(b) INSURANCE

Zurich Municipal had confirmed that the Council's Public Liability Insurance would operate as normal with a monthly inspection by a Council Member. A written record should be kept of each inspection.

RESOLVED that the correspondence be noted and deferred pending a decision on the future of the trails.

(c) PARKING ON FP 24 AT COLEHILL VICARAGE

Rev'd John Goodall had advised the Council that cars were being parked on the edge of FP 24 between Smugglers Lane and the barrier obstructing the emergency access to the school field and to The Vicarage.

RESOLVED that a sign 'Emergency Access Keep Clear At All Times' be erected.

484 BYELAWS

Further to Minute 431(3), Cllr KD Johnson supplied drafts of the Byelaws for proof reading.

485 OLIVERS PARK - INSPECTION RECORDS

Cllr KD Johnson reported that, following his attendance at the DAPTC 'Swings & Roundabouts' course he made informal visits to Olivers Park to inspect the play area. He requested information about the inspections undertaken by EDDC as part of the maintenance agreement.

RESOLVED that enquiries be made regarding the frequency of inspection and the record logs kept by EDDC.

486 ED CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Parish Council was invited to send two Representatives to the Bureau's Annual Public Meeting to be held on 25 May.

RESOLVED that Cllrs. Gwen Divall and Ted Phillips represent this Council.

The Meeting ended at 21.00 hrs.

CHAIRMAN