

At the Annual Parish Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at the Betty Webster committee room, COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **10 APRIL 2018**, at **7.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Emma Urquhart, Chairman for the meeting.  
Cllrs Susan Cowsill, Ian Dickins, Linda Dickins, Charlotte Greening, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Stephen King, David Mitchell, David Packer, Peter Scriven and Jeff Webb.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Gary Adams, Janet Dover, Helen Lawrence, Barry Roberts and EDDC Chairman, Cllr Derek Burt.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

County Cllr Shane Bartlett.

A resident from Furzehill and seven representatives from the following organisations: Colehill Memorial Hall, Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre, Colehill District Guides, Colehill Community Library, East Dorset Citizens' Advice and Vision Wimborne Dial-a-Ride.

**437.18 WELCOME**

Cllr Emma Urquhart welcomed the Members and guests present and, on behalf of the Chairman of the Parish Council, stated that the Council would not be holding a meeting in relation to the events that surrounded the departure of the Clerk to Wimborne Cemetery Joint Management Committee in 2013 as the Council considered the matter to have been dealt with. Cllr Urquhart added that the Council fully endorsed the apology made on behalf of the WCJMC to Mr and Mrs Case on 22 November 2013 and also endorsed the comments of the Chairman of Wimborne Minster Town Council on 28 March 2018 in relation to it.

**438.18 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 April 2017, having been circulated were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**439.18 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Cllr Urquhart read out the following report on behalf of the Chairman of the Parish Council:

*Firstly, I'd like to say I have enjoyed my first year as Chairman and fully intend to complete my tenure to the best of my ability and support, and represent you and Colehill where and whenever I can.*

*As my trusted Vice Chairman Emma is reading this out, it highlights the challenges we have balancing our normal life commitments with the Council work – I'm currently away with the family.*

*Sometimes we forget that we are doing this voluntarily and giving up valuable time during the week and weekends doing the best for Colehill today and for the future. And again for that I thank you all.*

*We are continually presented with challenges of which as a team we have overcome and resolved together with great effect and I'm proud of how we present ourselves amongst fellow councils.*

*We have fought off a further dilution of Colehill through boundary reviews and we continue to keep an eye on the housing developments, ensuring the best interest of our residents and the environment is retained.*

*I am disappointed I am unable to thank you all in person today but this was unavoidable.*

*As always Tracey continues to do an amazing job and we would not be half the team we are without her unequivocal dedication, Tracey we all thank you.*

*I trust you will have a professional, enjoyable and constructive meeting tonight and let's continue the great work we do.*

*Thank you.*

*Barry*

Cllr Urquhart asked whether there were any questions and one resident advised that he wished to report that an abandoned caravan had been left in the first layby on the Cranborne Road, travelling towards Furzehill. The Clerk said that she would make enquiries about this.

**440.18 PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

Copies of the audited Annual Return and External Auditor's Certificate and Opinion for the year ended 31 March 2017 had been circulated and a Receipts and Payments summary of the Accounts at 31 March 2018 was available for information.

RESOLVED that the Receipts and Payments summary of the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018 be received and noted.

**441.18 GRANT AID TO ORGANISATIONS**

Colehill Community Library	£11,000
Colehill District Guides	£1,000
Colehill Memorial Hall	£4,000
Colehill Nursery	£500
Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre	£3,000

East Dorset Citizens' Advice	£2,000
Vision Wimborne Dial-a-Ride	£500
Wimborne History Festival	£250

The Chairman distributed the grants to the organisations, thanking them for attending the meeting. The recipients thanked the Council for the grants and for the continued support.

The Chairman advised that the organisations that had been unable to attend (*Wimborne History Festival and Colehill Nursery*) would receive their grants by post.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19:15hrs.

CHAIRMAN