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At the Annual Parish Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **14 APRIL 2015**.

PRESENT

Cllr Graeme Smith, Chairman
Cllr Susan Cowsill, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Susan Davies, Janet Dover, Sue Gretton, Mike Huntriss, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Dave Mitchell, Barry Roberts and Emma Urquhart.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Gary Adams, David Packer, Peter Scriven and John Warren*
Cllr Robin Cook (EDDC Chairman), Sarah Evans (East Dorset Heritage Trust), Tony Horitz (Sting in the Tale) and Eileen Shaklady (Victim Support).

** It was NOTED that Cllr Warren was unable to attend the Annual Parish Meeting as he was representing the Council at a DAPTC meeting.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Frasier Bacon, PC Ian Curtis, John Gooch (Colehill Community Library), John Moore (ED Citizens' Advice Bureau), Terry and Jenny Munson (Colehill Memorial Hall), Mel Ogden (The Reef), Maggie Smith (Life Education Wessex), Celia Stout (Colehill District Guides), David Topping (Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre) and Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

432.14 WELCOME

The Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr Graeme Smith, welcomed the Members and guests present.

433.14 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 April 2014, having been circulated were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

434.14 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Reviewing items dealt with during a very busy year, Cllr Smith made particular reference to the following matters:

- (a) The Reef – the building had been erected and the internal area was nearly complete. It was hoped that the new centre would be thriving later in the year.
- (b) Core Strategy – it was a case of watching and waiting to see the type of houses that would be built and what the percentage of affordable housing would be.
- (c) Community Governance Review – the Chairman considered that this review was an unnecessary attack on the parish integrity and had,

unfortunately, created divisions. He was heartened by the number of people who signed the petition and attended the meetings, but disappointed that the Parmiter area had been lost to Wimborne.

- (d) Oliver's Park – a new table tennis table had been installed and the seesaw had been replaced. The Chairman thanked Cllr Dover for making a financial contribution from her County Councillor fund towards the seesaw.

The Chairman also commented on the sad passing of Don Wallace in 2014. He said that Cllr Wallace had served the community for over 40 years and had inspired him to get involved in politics.

The Chairman also thanked the councillors and the public for their support during his term as Chairman and advised that he had decided not to stand as a parish councillor in the forthcoming elections.

Cllr Davies thanked the Chairman, on behalf of the other Members, for his commitment and hard work.

Mr Gooch said that he thought it had been a difficult year for the Council with the boundary review, but that the Council had responded admirably. He thanked Cllr Davies for keeping EDDC's plans for affordable housing on track.

435.14 **PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS**
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

Copies of the audited Annual Return and External Auditor's Certificate and Opinion for the year ended 31 March 2014 had been circulated and a Receipts and Payments summary of the Accounts at 31 March 2015 was available for information.

RESOLVED that the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015 be received and noted.

436.14 **GRANT AID TO ORGANISATIONS**

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| Colehill Memorial Hall | £6000.00 |
| ED Citizens' Advice Bureau | £1000.00 |
| Sting in the Tale | £150.00 |
| Colehill & Wimborne Youth and Community Centre | £2000.00 |
| The Reef | £500.00 |
| Colehill Community Library (payable in two payments) | £10,500.00 |
| East Dorset Heritage Trust | £100.00 |
| Colehill District Guides | £500.00 |
| Life Education Wessex | £200.00 |
| Victim Support | £100.00 |

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 (East Dorset Heritage Trust, the Sting in the Tale and Victim Support) would receive their grants by post.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19:25hrs.

CHAIRMAN