



# Colehill Parish Council

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Dear Member

You are summoned to attend a Meeting of **Colehill Parish Council** which will be held at **Colehill Memorial Hall, Cannon Hill Road, Colehill**, on **Tuesday 27 June 2017 at 7.30pm**.

**An invitation to attend this meeting has been sent to Cllr Shane Bartlett, the county councillor for Colehill West and Wimborne Minster ward.**

Yours faithfully

Clerk

## **PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

Members of the public will have an opportunity to raise questions before the meeting starts.

## **AGENDA**

1. **Apologies for Absence**  
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests from Members in respect of the following items.
3. **Cllrs Charlotte Greening and Jeff Webb**  
At the informal meeting on 30 May Members agreed to co-opt Cllr Charlotte Greening and Cllr Jeff Webb to the Council.  
  
Cllrs Greening and Webb to sign a declaration of acceptance of office form, complete a register of interests form and complete a dispensation form. The Councillors both also need to advise on which committees they would like to serve on and whether they wish to receive agendas by post or by email.
4. **Dispensations**  
To grant dispensations to Cllrs Greening and Webb to enable them to participate in discussions and decisions relating to the budget, the precept and funding for Colehill Memorial Hall.

*(All Parish Councillors are Custodian Trustees of Colehill Memorial Hall).*

5. **Chairman's Remarks**

- 6. Editorial Board**  
To appoint Cllr Packer to the Council's Editorial Board.
- 7. Colehill Community Library**  
To appoint Cllr Cowsill as the Council's representative on the Colehill Community Library.
- 8. Local Plan Review 2018-19**  
To consider a report from Cllr David Mitchell (copy herewith on white paper) and to note correspondence from residents regarding an area of land at Lonnen Road that is included in the Local Plan Review. The correspondence is attached to Cllr Mitchell's report.
- 9. DCC and CPC Working Together** (*Min Nos 253.16, 314.16 & 335.16 refer*)  
At the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting on 10 January it was resolved that no budget would be set for Dorset County Council non-essential work during 2017/18. This was because DCC would continue to carry out essential work to ensure road safety and visibility and this would make it difficult to judge the reality of what services would be missing. Members decided to observe what a reduced service from DCC would be like in order that they would have a clearer idea of what would be required when setting the 2018/19 budget.

DAPTC continues to keep parish and town councils informed of the Working Together initiative and the latest information is that DCC is offering an option for parish and town councils to enter into agency agreements. Each agreement sets out the list of work that each parish council has agreed and discussed with its DCC Community Highways Officer. The agreements can cover use of a suitably qualified contractor including DCC Highways or use of in-house workforce.

NALC's National Audit and Accounts Advisor has confirmed that such an agency agreement would confer on a parish council devolved powers to perform acts under the agreement, and incur expenditure by virtue of s101 LGA 1972. Any resolution of the council to undertake work/incur expenditure should clearly incorporate a reference to this power as permitting the intended action.

DAPTC has also advised that parish councils may be interested in using volunteers as another option. The parish council should liaise directly with its DCC Community Highways Officer, who will supervise the volunteers. DCC Head of Highways has confirmed that DCC will be responsible for all insurance, risk assessments and health and safety arrangements if this option with the Community Highway Officer is followed and that no expense will be passed to the parish council.

To consider setting up a working group to investigate whether the area has suffered from a reduced service by DCC and report back to Council to discuss budgeting for any non-essential work that may be required in 2018/19.

- 10. Community Governance Review**  
To note correspondence from a resident regarding a petition for EDDC to hold a Governance Review for the area of Furzehill (copy herewith on white paper).

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The Monitoring Officer at EDDC has advised that he will be drafting a report to full Council to formally commence a community governance review. This will follow a timetable (to be agreed) which will include engagement with stakeholders (including the Parish Council). The Monitoring Officer has said that whilst he has not yet drawn up the timetable, he would expect the process to take 10-12 months to complete.

**11. DAPTC AGM Resolutions**

To consider whether the Council wishes to submit any resolutions to DAPTC's AGM on 4 November 2017. Suggested resolutions need to be forwarded to DAPTC by 28 July 2017 with the following information:

- a) The reasons why the council is submitting the proposal. Motions at the AGM should require that the Association take the issue forward with outside bodies, such as NALC.
- b) How the issue is affecting local councils in their area (with case study evidence).
- c) What it is specifically the council would like to change (eg a law).

DAPTC has advised that any council wishing to propose a resolution at the AGM must have their representative in attendance at the AGM to propose the resolution. DAPTC has also asked councils to consider if the issue would be more suitable to being discussed at the DAPTC area meeting and if necessary, brought to the Executive committee's attention through that process.

**12. Minutes**

To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 16 May (copy to follow on cream paper)

**13. Any questions arising from Minutes of 16 May**

**14. Committee Reports**

To receive the report of the following Committees:

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| Highways & Plans Committee           | 30 May  | (copy to follow on green paper) |
| Highways & Plans Committee           | 20 June | (copy to follow on green paper) |
| Finance & General Purposes Committee | 20 June | (copy to follow on pink paper)  |

**15. Reports**

To receive the following:

- (a) A report on EDEP from Cllr Mitchell.
- (b) The Minutes of the DAPTC Towns and Larger Parishes Committee of 19 May (via Cllr Johnson).
- (c) A summary report from the Towns and Larger Parishes Committee of 19 May (via Cllr Johnson).

*Copies of these reports will be on the table at the meeting.*

**16. Accounts for Payment**

To approve the accounts list.

**17. Items for Information and Matters for Forthcoming Agenda.**