

At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **8 March 2016**, at **7.30pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Susan Cowsill, Chairman  
Cllrs Gary Adams, Ian Dickins, Linda Dickins, Janet Dover, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Stephen King, Helen Lawrence, David Mitchell, David Packer, Peter Scriven, Emma Urquhart and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Georgina O'Hagan and Barry Roberts

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

Five residents from Furzehill attended to listen to the discussion regarding Woodleaze Copse. Mr A Hine spoke on behalf of the residents.

**434.16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**435.16 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman reported that the Clean for the Queen event had been a success with 17 volunteers joining in and many bags of rubbish collected. She had received many comments from members of the public who had noticed the difference in the area, including an email from a Lawns Road resident thanking everyone for their hard work.

The Chairman advised that she and the Clerk had attended the DAPTC conference on 3 March.

**436.16 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 January 2016 were submitted.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

**437.16 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

**438.16 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(a) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 2 February  
The report of the Meeting was submitted.

394.16 The rural bus review was ongoing.

405.16 (a) The litter bin opposite the War Memorial had been replaced.

405.16 (b) DCC had asked for more information on the HGV request.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

- (b) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 23 February  
The report of the Meeting was submitted.

423.16 (e) DCC to be advised that the pot hole at Northleigh Lane that had been repaired, had opened up again.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

- (b) FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 23 February  
The report of the Meeting was submitted.

427.16 Typo -396.16 x2 should be 369.16

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**439.16 FURZEHILL WOODLAND KNOWN AS WOODLEAZE COPSE** (*Minute No refers 408.16 - Recreational Green Space*)

The Furzehill Residents' Association (FRA) wished to safeguard Woodleaze Copse to ensure that any proposed development would not impact on it.

EDDC had informed the FRA that it had not yet taken a decision on whether to place the land at Furzehill on the open market. If EDDC did decide to market the land, marketing agents would be appointed to advise on the most appropriate method to achieve best value from the council's asset. Options such as dealing with Woodleaze copse as a separate transaction might be considered, but EDDC was not in a position to advise whether this would be included as an option in the marketing material.

Cllr Mitchell advised that he was a member of the East Dorset Environmental Partnership and that he would arrange for them to assess the wildlife on the site.

Cllr Packer said that the Parish Council should take a view and an interest in this matter and proposed, seconded by Cllrs Dover and Mitchell, that the Council support the retention of Woodleaze Copse and that it should continue to be accessible to the public. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that the Council support the retention of Woodleaze Copse and that it should continue to be accessible to the public.

**440.16 COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Department for Communities and Local Government had approved the Council's application for borrowing approval. The Council would be able to facilitate a loan of up to £30,000, which would be initially funded from the Council's reserves after the C&WYCC had used its own funds first. A loan would then be applied for to replace the Council's reserves. The expenditure would take the form of a grant to the C&WYCC.

Cllr King advised Council that he had met with Messrs Tarring and Spencer to discuss the figures and was satisfied that the Trustees could substantiate the £40,000 expenditure required. The C&WYCC had a number of grant

applications being considered and the Trustees would advise the Council on the results when they were known.

Cllr Adams reported that he had not yet received the information that he required and would chase this matter up with Mr Topping.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) Cllr King replace Cllr Urquhart as the Council's representative on the C&WYCC Management Committee;
- (b) up to £30,000 be provided to the C&WYCC on the condition that the C&WYCC used its own funds first.

*The Members thanked Cllr King and Cllr Adams for their involvement in this matter.*

**441.16 WIMBORNE HISTORY FESTIVAL**

RESOLVED that Cllr Peter Scriven be appointed as the Council's representative at the Wimborne History Festival meetings for the ensuing year.

**442.16 BYTHEWAY – CAR PARK SIGNAGE**

A company had requested that the signage to the car park at Bytheway be altered to Bytheway Field as it was concerned at the potential confusion that the sign might attract with visitors to its property called Bytheway.

RESOLVED that the company be advised that the changes could be made if the company paid for the new signs.

**443.16 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AT OLIVER'S PARK PLAY AREA**

The grounds maintenance contract for Oliver's Park Play Area was due for renewal. Quotations had been requested from four companies and three were received:

£650.00 plus VAT  
£1380.00 plus VAT  
£2976.00 plus VAT

RESOLVED that the company quoting £650.00 plus VAT be hired to carry out the grounds maintenance at Oliver's Park Play Area from 1 March 2016 to 28 February 2017.

**444.16 QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

St Michael's and All Angels Church had requested that the Council consider collaborating on a joint event to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Reverend Pattle had considered that an event should be held on the 18 June, rather than the 11 June to avoid clashing with the Wimborne Folk Festival.

RESOLVED that Reverend Pattle be advised that Cllrs Cowsill, Lawrence and Urquhart had volunteered to be part of a joint group to take an event forward.

**445.16 CCTV POLICY**

To NOTE that the Clerk had received a number of examples from parish and town councils that could be used as a template for the Council's CCTV policy. This document would be available to be considered by Council on 12 April. In the meantime, the Council AGREED that any requests from members of the public for CCTV footage should be made via the police.

**446.16 PHARMACY FUNDING CUT**

Members NOTED the information from Cllr Johnson on the government's plans to cut funding for community pharmacies in England by 6% in October and AGREED that as these plans could impact on our community, the Council should raise awareness through its social media and website encouraging residents to sign the petition.

**447.16 DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE CHECK** (*Minute No 369.16 (c) refers*)

Members NOTED that DAPTC had advised that it had stopped submitting applications for the DBS check as positions applied for were not listed as jobs that were relevant to the DBS. In order to apply for a full DBS a volunteer needed to be responsible for children or vulnerable people on a regular basis. A volunteer inspecting the play area or running a conservation day would not be considered eligible as they would not have regular access to the same children at the same time.

**448.16 REPORTS**

DCC

Cllr Dover advised that DCC would be withdrawing its budget for councillor grant funding.

EDDC

Cllr Johnson reported on expenditure for his ward budget.

Cllr Packer reported on the accommodation project and advised that the revenue budget had been set.

**449.16 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

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

**450.16 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

An update of the Council's emergency protocol was distributed to all Members.

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

In view of the nature of the business to be transacted it was likely that if a member of the public were present during the following item there would be a disclosure of 'Confidential Information' involving an employee of Colehill Parish Council and they therefore be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) public bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

**451.16 CLERK TO THE COUNCIL**

The Clerk to the Council was discussed and the detail on page 201 is confidential and exempt from publication.

The Meeting ended at 9.25pm.

CHAIRMAN