

At the Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **8 DECEMBER 2015** at **7.30pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Barry Roberts, Chairman for the meeting.  
Cllrs Gary Adams, Ian Dickins, Linda Dickins, Janet Dover, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Stephen King, Helen Lawrence, David Mitchell, David Packer, Peter Scriven and Emma Urquhart.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Susan Cowsill, Georgina O'Hagan and John Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

Mr J Gooch attended to advise Members that the Colehill Community Library would not be able to continue if grant aid contributions were no longer provided.

**309.15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**310.15 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

Cllr Roberts advised that he did not have anything to report on behalf of Cllr Cowsill.

**311.15 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 November were submitted.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

**312.15 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

278.15 Cllr Johnson explained that he had left the meeting during the discussion on grant aid for the Colehill Memorial Hall due to his involvement with Co-Mad, an organisation that regularly hires the Hall.

280.15 Cllr Mitchell had advised Mr Munson that Wessex Water intended to take over all pump systems.

293.15 EDDC Cllr Dover advised that the accommodation project would be discussed at EDDC's Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee on 22 December.

293.15 DAPTC Cllr Johnson said he had been re-elected, not elected.

**313.15 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- (a) HIGHWAYS & PLANS – 24 November  
The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

**314.15 PRECEPT 2016/17**

As EDDC had not provided the tax base for 2016/17 the setting of the Precept was deferred until the Council meeting on 26 January.

The budget for 2016/17 would be approved when the precept was decided upon, however the grant aid that was agreed at Finance and General Purposes Committee on 20 October and at Council on 17 November was APPROVED.

**315.15 COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Clerk advised on the latest information regarding the Reef development, shown in Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members considered whether the Council's reserves could be used to fund the required amount of £40,000, but agreed that it would mean using funds that had been earmarked for other projects. It was considered that the most the Council would be able to contribute would be £20,000, although this would leave the Council's funds lower than desired.

The Members considered the information regarding applying for a £40,000 loan and noted the estimated repayments on a fixed rate loan over 7 years. The repayments would have relatively little impact on the precept for the forthcoming financial year.

Cllr Johnson proposed, seconded by Cllr Mitchell, that the Council look to borrow £40,000. If the Council was unsuccessful in securing loan approval then £20,000 would be taken from reserves. 11 for 2 against.

RESOLVED that the Council apply to the Department for Communities and Local Government for loan approval to secure a £40,000 loan from the Public Works Loan Board.

**316.15 SURPLUS COMPUTER**

The Clerk advised that the computer used by the CCTV volunteers at the police station had been returned to the Council as it was no longer required.

It was AGREED that it would be given to the Colehill Community Library.

**317.15 COUNCILLOR TRAINING**

The Clerk advised that there were no new training courses at the moment.

**318.15 REPORTS**

DCC

Cllr Dover reported on the budget preparation and on children's services.

EDDC

Cllr Dover reported on the topics that were due to be discussed at the next Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee.

Cllr Packer reported that planning permission had been granted for a 27 bedroom hotel to be built on the approach to the A31, close to the Lake Gates Roundabout.

Cllr Johnson reported on the discussions being held regarding a unitary authority for Bournemouth, Poole, Christchurch and East Dorset.

Colehill Memorial Hall Management Committee

The officers had been re-elected at the AGM. Plans were underway to replace the stage curtains, improve the lighting and reseal the stage floor. The music for the Zumba class would be reduced after 7.30pm.

DAPTC

Cllr Johnson said that the Motion regarding it being no longer possible to submit nominations for more than one ward and then withdraw from those which have already reached quota after the close of nominations was going to NALC for consideration.

**319.15 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

**320.15 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- (a) Cllr Mitchell advised on EDEP's objections to the development at Leigh Road
- (b) Cllr Johnson had arranged to meet a representative from Playdale at Oliver's Park.
- (c) Cllr King advised that the drains along Middlehill Road were full of leaves. DCC had been advised.
- (d) Cllr Johnson said that a tree by the War Memorial had been damaged.

The Meeting ended at 8.47 pm.

CHAIRMAN