

At the Special Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **29 SEPTEMBER 2015** at **7.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Susan Cowsill, Chairman
Cllr Barry Roberts, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Ian Dickins, Linda Dickins, Tony Holloway, David Mitchell, Georgina O'Hagan, David Packer, Peter Scriven, Emma Urquhart and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Gary Adams, Janet Dover, KD Johnson, Helen Lawrence and Stephen King.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr David Topping and Mrs Susan Davies attended to update Members on the development of the Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre.
Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

217.15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Roberts declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item 3, Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre and abstained from voting.

218.15 COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Mr Topping and Mrs Davies updated Council on the development of the Reef and advised on the work that was required to complete the building. Mr Topping also advised on the costs of the remaining work, highlighting that there was a shortfall of £40,000.

Mr Topping said that later this week he would be meeting with an independent structural engineer who was being employed to assess the building and provide EDDC's Building Control with the structural calculations. The Management Committee had a new contractor to take over when the funding was secure.

Cllr Warren thanked Mr Topping for the eleven years' worth of work that he had put into the project. He reminded Members that the community had made a commitment to provide this facility for young people in the area.

The Chairman advised that before any funding was made available it was essential that the building was issued with the correct certification from East Dorset District Council. Members agreed with this, but considered that a discussion could be had regarding how the funding could be obtained. They noted that the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) had ruled out the possibility of topping up the current loan, but that a new loan could be applied for if it was approved by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG). The Clerk advised that Wimborne Minster Town Council (WMTC) had suggested meeting to discuss whether the two councils could help with the funding.

Cllr Mitchell proposed that the Council should record its intent to try to raise the funds, hopefully with the assistance of WMTC. Seconded by Cllr Scriven. 9 for 0 against (1 abstention). Members agreed that the Chairman and Cllr John Warren would meet with WMTC.

RESOLVED that the Council would consider how to raise the funds required and that Cllrs Cowsill and Warren would meet with WMTC to discuss whether the two councils could share the costs.

**219.15 EDDC'S SCRUTINY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
ONLINE PLANNING SYSTEM**

RESOLVED that the Chairman would attend EDDC's Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee on 27 October to speak about the new online planning system that was being implemented.

220.15 BOURNEMOUTH AIRPORT – ANNUAL MEETING

RESOLVED that Cllrs Scriven and Warren would attend the annual meeting at Bournemouth Airport on 12 November. Cllr Mitchell would be the reserve attendee.

221.15 WORKING TOGETHER PROJECT - DRAFT

Members NOTED the Working Together Report, which was a pilot project between the County Council, the DAPTC and four Dorset Town Clerks. The report contained recommendations on changing the way Dorset County Council and Parish & Town Councils worked together.

Members would consider the report and a discussion would be held at the next Council meeting on 17 November. This would ensure that comments or suggestions could be sent to DAPTC by the 30 November deadline.

222.15 NEW COUNCIL - SOUTH EAST DORSET

Members NOTED that East Dorset and Christchurch Councils were working with Bournemouth and Poole Councils to jointly explore proposals for a single, brand new Council to cover their respective geographic areas. This could see all functions undertaken by one unitary authority for south east Dorset from April 2019.

223.15 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.

224.15 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Cllr Urquhart requested that Council consider having a Parish Crier. This matter would be discussed at the next Council meeting on 17 November.

The Meeting ended at 8.15pm.

CHAIRMAN