

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **26 APRIL 2016**, at **8.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Peter Scriven, Chairman

Cllr Barry Roberts, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Susan Cowsill, KD Johnson, Stephen King, David Mitchell, Emma Urquhart and Linda Dickins (Rota Member).

APOLOGIES

Cllr John Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

526.16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

527.16 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 February 2016, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

528.16 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

529.16 BENCH AT OLIVER'S PARK

Dorset Works Organisation had advised that repairing the broken bench at Oliver's Park would cost approximately £600. If Council decided that it would be more economical to purchase a new bench then DWO would charge £189 to take the old bench away and install a new one into new concrete footings.

RESOLVED that a budget of £600 be made available for the purchase of a new metal bench.

530.16 LABOUR FORCE

Members considered whether it would be worthwhile setting up a working party to look at what services were likely to be devolved from DCC and EDDC. It would be beneficial to consider how the Parish Council would deal with finding appropriate organisations to carry out the new services.

It was AGREED that Cllrs Cowsill, L Dickins, Johnson and King would be part of the working party.

531.16 CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) The East Dorset CAB had written to say thank you for the £1,000 grant.
- (b) The VAT for 1 October 2015 to 31 March 2016 that was being reclaimed was £2055.19.
- (c) The NS&I had advised of a reduction to the interest rate on the investment account. The current rate of 0.75% would be lowered to 0.45% from 1 July 2016.

532.16 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.

533.16 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Roberts asked if any consideration had been given to providing a bench at St Michael's Dirt. Cllr Johnson said that there hadn't been any consideration as in the past when a litter bin was provided this had been vandalised. It was thought that the logs that the riders had positioned were probably adequate.

The Meeting ended at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN