

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **28 February 2017**, at **8.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Peter Scriven, Chairman

Cllr Barry Roberts, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Susan Cowsill, KD Johnson, Stephen King, David Mitchell and David Packer (R).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Emma Urquhart and John Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

385.17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Scriven declared an interest in Item 5 - Grant Aid – East Dorset Tourist Information Centre and did not take part in the discussion or voting.

386.17 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 January 2017, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

387.17 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

388.17 GRANT AID – EAST DORSET TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £250 be awarded to the East Dorset Tourist Information Centre, seconded by Cllr King. 6:0 (1 abstention).

RESOLVED that a donation of £250 be approved under Section 144 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

389.17 NOTICE BOARDS

Members NOTED that three notice boards would be refurbished at a cost of £195 and that signage for the boards would cost £42 each. A replacement notice board at Middlehill Road had been ordered at a cost of £775, this included a header with “Colehill Parish Council” on it. Dorset Works Organisation would remove the old board and install the new one at a cost of £160.

390.17 MILLENNIUM BOARD

Members NOTED that a local carpenter had quoted £80 to repair and repaint the Millennium Board. The Clerk was discussing a replacement map with a graphic designer.

391.17 TREES

Members NOTED that the tree work that had been highlighted in the latest assessment report would be carried out by June 2017. The cost would be £575. It was agreed that the debris should be left on site, but away from any footpaths or BMX jumps.

- 392.17 OLIVER’S PARK ANNUAL GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**
Members NOTED that the Oliver’s Park grounds maintenance contract from 1 March 2017 to 28 February 2018 had been renewed with Wessex Grounds Services at a cost of £879 per annum. This included a fortnightly bark forking and a fortnightly litter pick.
- 393.17 OLIVER’S PARK – REPAINTING AND REPAIRING OF EQUIPMENT, MOVING GOAL POSTS AND SEEDING/RELEVELLING THE MUD AREA**
Members NOTED that Wessex Ground Services would be carrying out the work at Oliver’s Park in March. Warning signs would be erected during the work and the Park would be closed while the equipment was being painted. The local schools would be informed and the closure would be advertised on social media. The work would not take place during the Easter holiday.
- 394.17 PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS OF OLIVER’S PARK**
Members NOTED that Elite Playground Inspections was increasing the cost of the monthly inspection by £3.60 per inspection. This meant that the monthly cost was £32.54 plus VAT rather than £28.94 plus VAT per month.
- 395.17 ALLOTMENTS**
Members NOTED that Wimborne Minster Town Council had deferred making any decisions on the allotment land at Cranborne Road until discussions with the allotment associations of Colehill, Pamphill and Wimborne could be held.
- 396.17 TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL COMPLAINTS**
Members NOTED that EDDC was drafting a new procedure to deal with complaints about town and parish councils. This would be incorporated into East Dorset District Council’s Constitution.
- 397.17 ACCOUNTS**
The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2016 to 20 February 2017, a copy of which appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.
- 398.17 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.
- 399.17 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS**
RESOLVED that the bank account reconciliations be signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

The Meeting ended at 8.35pm.

CHAIRMAN