

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **20 JUNE 2016**, at **8.20pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Stephen King, Chairman

Cllr Helen Lawrence, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Susan Cowsill, KD Johnson, David Mitchell, Barry Roberts and Emma Urquhart

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Gary Adams and Peter Scriven.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

72.17 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Cllr King be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

73.17 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Cllr Lawrence be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

74.17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

75.17 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 April 2017, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

76.17 MATTERS ARISING

469.17 No organisations had applied for a Great Get Together grant.

473.17 The pitch area at Oliver's Park had been reseeded. There was some growth, but rain would speed it up.

77.17 STREET FURNITURE – HAYES AREA

Cllr Johnson requested that this item be deferred as he had not had time to consider whether there was an appropriate place to site a public bench or a notice board in the Hayes Area.

The Clerk said that there was a large notice board at the filling station, at Hayes Lane, junction with Leigh Road/Wimborne Road West. The Clerk also said that there was a bench at Leigh Lane, close to Bytheway Field, which would possibly need re-siting if the new road layout was implemented.

78.17 PAST CHAIRMEN BADGES

Information had been sought from Fattorini on the costs for purchasing badges for past Chairmen. Fattorini had quoted a one off payment of £400, plus £100 per badge. The Members agreed that this was too expensive and suggested that badges similar to the name badges that were already issued should be

ordered instead. It was AGREED that the Clerk would investigate various designs and, if the cost was minimal, order the required number of badges.

79.17 ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2017 to 15 June 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.

80.17 WORKS AND QUOTATIONS

The Members NOTED the following information:

(a) Multi-play unit at Oliver's Park

Two quotations had been received to clean the multi-play unit, the entrance signs and the table tennis table. These were £906 and £456, both inc VAT. The lowest quotation would be accepted.

(b) Replacement Map

Arrangements for a replacement map opposite the Co-op were underway. The graphic designer had commenced putting together the base map and a local artist had agreed to illustrate the photos that would be provided. The budget for this project had been agreed at £500. Once the map was ready, the local carpenter would repair the board and the current millennium map would be retained.

(c) Fiveways Junction Fingerpost Sign

The refurbishment was being arranged. The local carpenter would charge £328 inc VAT, plus £90 to clean and re-paint the metal post. If DCC could not remove/re-erect the arms free of charge, the carpenter would do the work for a further £80. The carpenter's work is guaranteed for 10 years. The plastic letters/numbers on three of the arms would be replaced with aluminium letters which cost £2.45 each. Some of the original cast iron letters/numbers would be re-used where possible.

(d) Rubbish at Coombes Wood

What originally looked like an old fly tip at Coombes Wood was actually an old rubbish tip. Three waste removal companies were asked to attend site meetings, but only one accepted. This company could remove the rubbish, but advised that it would be more economical to scrape the waste back into the holes and bury it. Dorset County Council agreed with this course of action and quoted £658 to carry out the work. Extra soil might be required at a further charge and Cllr Mitchell offered to find out if it was permissible to bring soil onto the site.

(e) Notice board and benches

The notice board at the Furzehill Post Office needed to be repainted as did some of the public benches (particularly the one at St Michael's Church). Arrangements would be made for this work to be done.

81.17 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.

82.17 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS

RESOLVED that the bank account reconciliations be signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

83.17 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

- (a) The Clerk reminded Members that WMTC had deferred making any decision about the allotment land at Cranborne Road until discussions with the allotment associations of Colehill, Pamphill and Wimborne could be held. Discussions had not been held as yet and the Clerk had requested an update from the WMTC Clerk. The Chairman of the Colehill Allotment Association had advised that the CAA money would soon be handed to the Parish Council for safe keeping. (£1348). (Minutes 313.16 and 395.16 refer).
- (b) The Chairman of the Allotment Association had also advised that there was some agricultural land for sale at Smugglers Lane. The Clerk was investigating this and would report her findings to Members.
- (c) A thank you letter for the grant aid had been received from the East Dorset Citizens' Advice Bureau.
- (d) Cllrs Cowsill and Urquhart advised that the Cemetery Clerk was retiring and that the vacancy had been advertised. They also reported on the discussions that had taken place regarding the renovation and/or rebuild of the toilet block at the Cemetery.

The Meeting ended at 9.00pm.

CHAIRMAN