

At a Meeting of the **HIGHWAYS & PLANS COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the Memorial Hall on **3 NOVEMBER 2015**.

PRESENT

Cllr David Mitchell, Chairman
Cllrs Gary Adams, Susan Cowsill, Ian Dickins, KD Johnson, Helen Lawrence, Georgina O'Hagan, Peter Scriven and Stephen King (R).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Tony Holloway, Emma Urquhart and John Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

Eight residents from Beaucroft Lane attended the meeting to advise of their concerns regarding PA 3/15/0301/FUL – 58 Beaucroft Lane. Mr Hill, Mrs Dean and Mr Gribble of Beaucroft Lane, and Mr Halton of North Leigh Lane, spoke on behalf of the residents.

258.15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

259.15 PLANNING APPLICATION

The following application was submitted and comments were recorded as follows:

PA NO	DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED
3/15/0301/FUL	<p>58 Beaucroft Lane Demolition of existing house, erect 2 detached dwellings with garaging and parking, alteration to access and create new access. Alteration to boundary treatment and alteration to access road as amended by plans received 20/7/2015 to lower the new dwellings; reduce their scale; reduce ridges of garages; increase separation distances and plans received 24/9/2015 to revise fenestration on dwelling at Plot 2.</p> <p>OBJECTION. The Council supports the residents' concerns. The Council considers the application to be out of keeping with the area as the footprint of the development is out of alignment with the other properties. The Council is also concerned about the potential damage to the trees that are on the embankment and, consequently, about the possible weakening and undermining of the embankment, which could create a serious risk of subsidence as has happened elsewhere in the area. The plans also now show that 8 multi-section windows (with clear glass) and 3 doors will overlook the adjacent property.</p>

260.15 REPRESENTATIVE SPEAKER

EDDC had invited the Council to send a representative to speak on PA 3/15/0301/FUL – 58 Beaucroft Lane at its Planning Committee on 10 November.

RESOLVED that Cllr Adams would represent the Council at the meeting.

261.15 PLANNING DECISIONS

(a) The following applications had been APPROVED by EDDC:

PA NO	DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED
3/15/0811/HOU*	6 Beaucroft Road Erection of single storey rear garden room.
3/15/0972/FUL	89 Bridle Way Provision of a balcony to the east elevation together with steps and outward opening doors.

(d) EDDC had granted the following Certificate of Lawfulness:

PA NO	DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED
3/15/0954/CLP	9 Sandy Close Single storey extensions to rear.

** Decision not in accordance with Parish Council comments.*

NOTED.

262.15 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT NOTICE

DCC had issued a Notice to comply with Health and Safety Regulations to enable the organising committee of the Wimborne and Colehill Fireworks Display to hold a safe event:

- a) For the duration of the Notice Colehill Lane would be closed between its junctions with Wimborne Road and Smugglers Lane. Whilst the closure was in place access around Colehill Lane would be available via Wimborne Road and Smugglers Lane.
- b) For the duration of the Notice a clearway would be created along Rowlands Hill and Wimborne Road from the junction with Giddylake north-eastwards to the junction with Middlehill Road/Smugglers Lane, a distance of approximately 1 kilometre. Therefore no waiting or parking would be allowed on the highway or verge.

The Notice would come into operation on Saturday 7 November 2015 between 16:00hrs and 21:30hrs, for a period of 5.5 hours.

NOTED.

263.15 CONSULTATIONS

The Members NOTED that Wimborne Academy Trust was seeking comments on its admissions policy and that EDDC was reviewing its Statement of Licensing Policy for the period 2016-2019 as required under the Gambling Act 2005.

264.15 MOVING COLEHILL ROAD SIGNS

As a result of the boundary changes DCC needed to be advised of what road signs required moving. The Clerk had been unable to log the alterations and requested some assistance with this work. Once the alterations were known DCC would be able to advise on what the likely costs would be.

Members NOTED that Cllr Johnson agreed to help the Clerk with this work.

265.15 TRAFFIC SPEED ANALYSIS – MIDDLEHILL ROAD

Cllr Johnson had made enquiries regarding having a traffic speed analysis carried out at Middlehill Road. This analysis would involve monitoring the volume, class and speed of traffic with a single tube site for one week. Due to DCC budget restrictions parish and town councils were required to pay for this service at a cost of approximately £200.

The Clerk advised on the information that Cllr Dover had obtained from DCC's Network Traffic Manager regarding the chicanes. DCC had agreed to carry out some routine maintenance upon the infrastructure in the first instance, and then raise the topic of the chicanes at the next Directorate Liaison meeting for consideration on how the request for a survey and analysis should be dealt with.

Cllr O'Hagan advised that a tube had already been placed between the two chicanes. Members agreed that any information on traffic through the chicanes was useful, but felt that it would also be beneficial for the speed of traffic to be monitored further along Middlehill Road. Cllr Johnson therefore proposed, seconded by Cllr Cowsill, that DCC be asked to conduct a traffic speed analysis at Middlehill Road at a cost of approximately £200.
Unanimous.

RESOLVED that DCC be asked to conduct a traffic speed analysis at Middlehill Road.

266.15 FINGERPOSTS

Members NOTED that Dorset Works Organisation was unable to help with the renovation of the fingerpost at St Michael's Church. However, the DCC volunteer, Mr K Dunford, had said that he would renovate the St Michael's sign free of charge, with the Council covering the cost of materials.

267.15 REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE – 8 NOVEMBER

Cllr Mitchell updated Members on the plans for Remembrance Day. He had been contacted by six people who had relatives listed on the War Memorial. The relatives would each be given a wooden cross to put by the War Memorial during the service.

The Clerk advised that DCC had agreed to the closure of Colehill Lane and that Mike Huntriss and Graeme Smith had very kindly agreed to supervise at each end. Cllr Cowsill advised that she had attended a successful rehearsal.

NOTED.

268.15 OLIVER'S PARK PLAY AREA

The Clerk asked Members to volunteer to be part of an inspection rota for Oliver's Park Play Area. The Members who volunteered were Cllrs Cowsill, I Dickins, O'Hagan Johnson, King and Lawrence. The Clerk would also ask Cllr Urquhart if she wished to volunteer.

NOTED.

269.15 REDUCTION IN SPEED AROUND SCHOOLS

Cllr Mitchell advised that there were frequently traffic incidents around St Michael's School and Beaucroft School and that he thought DCC should be asked to consider reducing the speed limit to 20mph around the Colehill schools. Members agreed that a speed reduction would be beneficial for the children and community.

RESOLVED that Cllr Mitchell would contact DCC to request that consideration be given to reducing the speed limit to 20mph around the Colehill schools.

270.15 LAND AT CUTLERS PLACE

Members NOTED that Scottish Southern Energy was in the process of registering the site on which the sub-station was situated. Members also NOTED that the solicitor had obtained an old conveyance from 1970 which would enable her to make further enquiries as to whether the land was owned by a local company.

271.15 EDDC PLANNING IT SYSTEM

Cllr Cowsill updated Members on the meeting of EDDC's Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee. The Committee had agreed that the new Planning IT system would go ahead, but that paper copies of planning applications with developments of 10 properties or over would be provided free of charge. Paper copies of single applications would also be provided, however parish and town councils would be charged for these.

EDDC's Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee had agreed that, in the future, equality impact assessments would be conducted prior to any new initiatives being made.

After discussion the Members RESOLVED that the Council would pay for EDDC to provide paper copies of planning applications.

272.15 PUBLIC BENCHES

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

273.15 WAR MEMORIAL/BUS STOP

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

274.15 PLAY AREA

The Clerk had made enquires as to whether other parish councils provided nets on their football goals and advised that the councils did not because of the safety issues that had arisen. The Clerk reminded Members of an incident at Oliver's Park where a child had been hurt by the nets and of how any new nets were very quickly damaged and had to be replaced regularly. The Clerk also advised that the goals had been without nets for at least 18 months and no complaints had been received. Members NOTED this information and also NOTED that there were no faults to report on the play equipment.

275.15 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Members NOTED that the Speed Indicator Device had been delivered. Volunteers would be sought at the next Highways and Plans committee meeting.

276.15 HIGHWAY MATTERS FOR REPORT

- (a) An abandoned vehicle in Glynville Close had been reported to Dorset Works Partnership, via DCC.
- (b) Cllr Dover had arranged for DCC to remove about 8 for sale signs from the grass verge at Paget Close.
- (c) The dip outside 75 and 77 Hayes Lane was getting worse. DCC had been informed.
- (d) Pot holes in Lonnen Road, Parmiter Road and Mallard Road had been filled.
- (e) The Co-op had improved the signage for the disabled bay in their car park.

277.15 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA

- (a) The Chairman advised on the plans for the Reception on 13 November.
- (b) Cllr Scriven advised on the archaeological excavation on land west of Cranborne Road. He also advised that an excavation at Parmiter was being carried out.

The Meeting ended at 8.40 pm

CHAIRMAN