

At a Meeting of the **HIGHWAYS & PLANS COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the Memorial Hall on **15 DECEMBER 2015** at **7.15pm**

PRESENT

Cllr David Mitchell, Chairman  
 Cllrs Gary Adams, Susan Cowsill, Ian Dickins, KD Johnson, Helen Lawrence, Peter Scriven and Emma Urquhart.

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Tony Holloway, Georgina O’Hagan, Barry Roberts (R) and John Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

**321.15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**322.15 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 November 2015, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**323.15 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**324.15 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were submitted and comments were recorded as follows:

<b>PA NO</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED</b>
3/15/1172/HOU	6 Beaucroft Road Single storey car port and garage  No objection.
3/15/1205/HOU	11 Glynville Close Demolish outbuilding – replace  No objection.

**325.15 RESTRICTED WORKS ON LEIGH COMMON BY GLEESON STRATEGIC LAND**

Members NOTED that Gleeson Strategic Land had applied to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for consent under section 38 of the Commons Act 2006 to carry out restricted works on Leigh Common.

The proposed works involved widening of the existing carriageway of the B3073 Leigh Road into the existing highway verge on the southern side of the road in order to create a new signalised T-Junction, covering 1,086 sqm of common land within the public highway, and widening of the existing footway into the existing highway verge on the northern side of the road in order to

improve the footway to footway/cycleway standard, covering up to 1,685 sqm of common land within the public highway. The works would be located on the B3073 Leigh Road between Park Farm Cottages and up to the western extent of the common frontage with Leigh Road.

The Chairman advised that the East Dorset Environmental Partnership would be sending a comprehensive response. He said that his main concern was that the ditches would not be altered. He agreed to email the information to Members so that they could send their comments to the Planning Inspectorate by 8 January 2016.

**326.15 TREE WORKS ON COUNCIL OWNED LAND (*Minute 253.15 refers*)**

The Landscape Group had completed the assessment on the Council's woodland and a copy of the inspection reports were made available at the meeting. No work was required at Coombes Wood or Merrifield Corner.

The Clerk had obtained quotations from three local companies (£5280, £4875 and £2950) and had arranged for the company that had provided the lowest quotation to carry out the work.

EDDC had advised that all of the tree work was exempt from permission as the trees were either dead, in poor condition or not protected.

NOTED.

**327.15 PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following non-material amendment had been ACCEPTED by EDDC:

PA NO	DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED
3/15/1106/NMC	19 Beaucroft Lane Non material amendment to Planning Permission 3/14/1232/FUL for new dwelling, to place dormer on northern roof slope of garage and install bathroom in garage attic area.

**328.15 TREE MATTERS  
PERMISSIONS FOR TREE WORK**

EDDC had granted permission for tree surgery work as follows:

ORDER	DETAILS
CO/5	Grant consent to tree work on Red Oak at Fairhaven, Giddylake.
CO/18	Grant consent to fell two Scots Pines at 23 Northleigh Lane.
CO/79	Grant consent to fell Birch at 59 Wimborne Road.
CO/90	Grant consent to prune English Oak at 56 Bridle Way.
CO/94	Grant consent to tree work at 10 Kyrchil Lane.
HA/21	Grant consent to tree work on three Oak trees at 42 Hayes Close and 11 Cedar Drive.

**329.15 LEAVE SWEEPING AND DRAIN CLEARANCE**

Members NOTED that Dorset Waste Partnership carried out its annual leaf fall operation in Colehill during the week commencing 16 November. Over the next few months DWP would be running the sweepers on this operation and therefore the normal mechanical sweeper schedule would not be followed. DWP was unable to give an accurate schedule on when roads were swept due to holidays and vehicle breakdowns etc. DCC Highways was responsible for emptying the drains and they had been advised that the drains in the Colehill area, particularly in Middlehill Road, were blocked with leaves.

**330.15 SIGNAGE**

Members NOTED that a new sign had been ordered to replace the damaged sign at St Michael's Dirt and a new sign had been ordered to replace the CCTV sign at the Co-op.

Cllr Johnson and the Clerk would meet in January to work out which road signs needed moving to reflect the new boundary.

**331.15 FENCING – KYRCHIL WAY**

Members NOTED that Dorset Works Organisation had replaced and extended the wooden barriers at the Kyrchil Way cycle path.

**332.15 CHRISTCHURCH AND EAST DORSET COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY**

Members NOTED that the Councils were now publishing their Revised Draft Charging Schedules for consultation. The consultation period was from Friday 4 December 2015 until Friday 8 January 2016.

**333.15 LAND AT CUTLERS PLACE**

Members NOTED that no further information had been received from the Solicitor regarding the possible owner of the land.

A resident had reported that a man had visited the woodland recently. The clerk had investigated the resident's concerns, but could not determine who had visited the site.

Upton Specialised Tree Services would be carrying out the required tree work at Cutlers Place over the next few weeks. The Clerk had asked to be advised of the actual date the work would take place so that Cllr Dover would be able to inform the residents.

**334.15 PUBLIC BENCHES**

Members NOTED there were no faults to report. The benches by St Michael's Church and the Co-op would need to be repainted in the spring.

**335.15 WAR MEMORIAL/BUS STOP**

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

**336.15 PLAY AREA/ST MICHAEL'S DIRT**

Members NOTED there were no faults to report. Cllr Johnson advised that the swings and talk tubes needed repainting. This would be arranged in the spring.

**337.15 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE**

Cllr Johnson brought the SID to the meeting and demonstrated how it worked. He would be installing it at Middlehill Road, by the Bridleway junction.

NOTED.

**338.15 GRIT BINS**

Members NOTED that the next grit bin inspections would take place in January 2016. Cllr Adams volunteered to inspect the bin at Park Homer Drive. Cllr Mitchell advised that the repainting on the bins at Ashmeads Close and Pilford Heath Road had been completed.

**339.15 HIGHWAY MATTERS FOR REPORT**

- (a) An unauthorised advertising sign had been erected opposite the Co-op at Wimborne Road. The company would be asked to remove it.
- (b) DCC to be informed of the traffic problems being encountered at Wimborne Road, outside Beaucroft Foundation School.
- (c) A vehicle had been bumped in the Co-op car park and the owner had asked the Police about the CCTV footage. It was thought that the footage would not be available because of the scaffolding. The Clerk would investigate what costs and other steps were involved to view footage on minor incidences for any future enquiries.
- (d) EDDC had received a complaint about the traveller at Leigh Road and had informed DCC.
- (e) Most of the small dragons teeth at Kyrchil Way (opposite the Co-op) were starting to rot and would need replacing. This work would be done early in the next financial year. Cllr Adams advised that the new ones should be coated twice with RIW bituminous paint which would prevent them from rotting.
- (f) The two flood signs had been delivered to Cllr Johnson.
- (g) DCC had been asked to advise whether the tree that had been damaged recently by SSE (close to the War Memorial) needed to be treated.

**340.15 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR FUTURE AGENDA**

- (a) Cllr Adams said that Council would be asked to approve him representing the Council so that he could work alongside EDDC's Property Manager to oversee the work at the Reef.
- (b) Cllr Johnson asked that F&GP discuss new equipment at Oliver's Park.
- (c) Cllr Johnson advised that he was representing DAPTC on the Community Safety Partnership.

The Meeting ended at 8.09 pm.

CHAIRMAN