At a Meeting of the **HIGHWAYS & PLANS COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **12 JANUARY 2016**, at **7.15pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr David Mitchell, Chairman

Cllr John Warren, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs Gary Adams, Ian Dickins, Tony Holloway, KD Johnson, Helen Lawrence, Peter Scriven and Linda Dickins (Rota Member).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Susan Cowsill, Georgina O'Hagan and Emma Urquhart.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine - Clerk.

341.16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

342.16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

PA No	Development Proposed
3/15/1007/HOU	51 Cutlers Place Side extension at second storey level, new rear dormer and raised conservatory. No objection.

343.16 PROPOSED BASE STATION UPGRADE WORKS AT CANNON HILL PLANTATION

Vodaphone Limited had advised that it was in the process of progressing an upgrade of the telecommunication installation at Cannon Hill Plantation and was seeking the Parish Council's view on the proposal prior to submitting a planning application.

RESOLVED that Vodaphone Limited be advised that the Council had no objections to the proposal.

344.16 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following applications had been APPROVED by EDDC:

PA No	Development Proposed
3/15/0768/FUL	32 Park Homer Drive
	Demolish existing bungalow and construct two two/three storey
	houses with integral garages. Form new access.
3/15/1172/HOU	6 Beaucroft Road
	Single storey car port and garage.

NOTED.

345.16 TREE MATTERS PERMISSIONS FOR TREE WORK

EDDC had granted permission for tree surgery work as follows:

Order	Details
CO/21	Grant consent to fell Pine at 27 Middlehill Road.
CO/99	Grant consent to tree work at Middlehill Road and Cannon Hill
	Road (Colehill Community Library).
HA/21	Grant consent to crown lift English Oak at 5 Cedar Drive.

NOTED.

346.16 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ORDER

Members NOTED that Dorset County Council had made an Order to impose reduced speed limits on the A31 and A338, and to close slip roads on the A31. This would provide safe working areas and minimize the likelihood of danger to highway users. The order would remain in force for a period of 18 months, but the work would commence on 4 January and should be completed by 20 March 2016.

347.16 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF FURZEHILL

Members NOTED that Dorset County Council had received an application from British Telecom to close Furzehill from the junction with the B3078, Cranborne Road, to the junction with the access to East Dorset District Council offices, a distance of approximately 550 metres. The closure had been requested to allow for safe access to a carriageway box. These works would commence on 30 January for 2 days with an end date of the 31 January 2016, between 08:00 and 16:00hrs daily.

348.16 DORSET HIGHWAYS WINTER SERVICE POLICY AND OPERATIONAL PLAN 2015/16

Members NOTED that the above document was available.

349.16 TEMPORARY RESTRICTED USE OF PYE CORNER

Members NOTED that Dorset County Council would temporarily restrict the use of Pye Corner Roundabout, Wimborne, to enable maintenance work to be carried out. The restriction would be from 10 to 12 February 2016, between 1900 and 0600hrs.

350.16 VACANT PROPERTY AT ST MARGARET'S AND STONE ALMS HOUSES

Members NOTED that there was a vacant property at St Margaret's. Part of the qualifying criteria for a resident at St Margaret's included that they must be a resident of either Colehill, Holt, Pamphill, Shapwick or Wimborne.

351.06 PLANTING OF TREES – KYRCHIL CORNER

Cllr Johnson reported on the clearing of land behind the bus stop at Kyrchil Corner. This clearing had arisen due to the removal of non-native laurel over the last few years. Cllr Johnson said that this area would benefit from some native hazel and yew trees being planted behind the remaining laurel. The trees would then create a screen prior to removing the laurel. He said that it was possible that arboriculturalists were likely to be able to supply saplings at a fraction of the price of those from garden centres.

Members AGREED that the area would benefit from the planting of 10-12 trees, subject to costs, and permitted Cllr Johnson to make further enquiries for discussion at a future meeting.

352.16 KYRCHIL CORNER – FLY TIP

Cllr Johnson reported that the gardener of a nearby property was regularly fly tipping garden waste at Kyrchil Corner. Cllr Johnson considered that the gardener should be advised that fly tipping was an offence and that legal action would be taken if the fly tipping continued. Cllr Mitchell said that he thought he knew who the gardener was and that he would like to discuss the matter with him/her first, which would hopefully eliminate the need for legal action.

NOTED.

353.16 LAND AT CUTLERS PLACE

Members NOTED that the recommended tree work had been completed and that the solicitor had provided no further news on the ownership of the site.

354.16 PUBLIC BENCHES

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

355.16 WAR MEMORIAL/BUS STOP

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

356.16 PLAY AREA/ST MICHAEL'S DIRT

Members NOTED that a new sign had been installed at St Michael's Dirt and that the Play Area inspector had highlighted that a number of dividing logs needed to be replaced and that the wire fence needed to be repaired.

357.16 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Members NOTED the information that Cllr Johnson provided on the new SID.

358.16 GRIT BINS

Members NOTED there were no faults to report. Cllr Mitchell said that the lid on the bin at the junction with Mallard Road and Pilford Heath Road kept being blown open by the wind. It was not considered appropriate to lock the lid, but it was suggested that when the bin was empty it be turned to face a different direction.

359.16 HIGHWAY MATTERS FOR REPORT

- (a) Most of the tree work on the Council's land had been completed.
- (b) DWP had been advised of a fly tipped two seater settee by Elfords at Canford Bottom. Although accessible to the public, this area was classed as private land and it was not yet known if DWP would remove the fly tip.
- (c) DWP had been advised of an abandoned vehicle at Park Homer Road.
- (d) DCC had been advised of an overgrown hedge at Mallard Road.

360.16 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Warren requested that Council be advised that he was no longer able to represent the Council as the Tree Warden and Gypsy Liaison Officer, and on the following organisations:

- i) Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils (Eastern Area and Larger Councils)
- ii) The Reef Management Committee
- iii) Partners and Communities Together
- iv) Home Watch

The Meeting ended at 7.51pm.

CHAIRMAN