

At a Meeting of the **HIGHWAYS & PLANS COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **2 FEBRUARY 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, Georgina O’Hagan, Peter Scriven, Emma Urquhart and Janet Dover (Rota Member).

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Susan Cowsill.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

Mr L Hadaway from Cutlers Place attended to advise that he was very concerned about the issue of fracking. He said that Dorset was a hot spot for fracking and that applications for licences were expected to be made. Mr Hadaway advised that the Government had confirmed that applications would be fast tracked.

387.16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

388.16 FRACKING

The Chairman advised that no applications for fracking had been submitted to the Parish Council, but he knew that Hampshire, Dorset and the Isle of Wight were cited as possible exploration areas.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) EDDC and DCC be asked what their procedures were for fracking;
- (b) an officer be invited to attend a future meeting to inform the Members on fracking issues.

389.16 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 15 December 2015 and 12 January 2016, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

390.16 MATTERS ARISING

359.16(b) The flytip on private land had not been removed by DWP, but by employees of the company it had been tipped adjacent to. Cllr Holloway asked for clarification from DWP regarding flytipping on private land.

391.16 PLANNING APPLICATION

The following application was submitted and comment was recorded as follows:

PA No	Development Proposed
3/15/1278/HOU	21 Brackenhill Road Raise eaves and provide new roof with dormers and roof lights to allow accommodate roof space. Extend existing raised terrace to rear. No objection.

392.16 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following applications had been APPROVED by EDDC:

PA No	Development Proposed
3/15/0965/HOU	Hopewell, Little Lonnen Extension and alterations to an existing dwelling.
3/15/1205/HOU	11 Glynville Close Demolish outbuilding on west side of rear garden and replace with smaller outbuilding on eastern side of rear garden.

NOTED.

**393.16 TREE MATTERS
PERMISSIONS FOR TREE WORK**

EDDC had granted permission for tree surgery work as follows:

Order	Details
CO/18	Grant consent to tree work on Oak at 19 The Vineries.
CO/126	Grant consent to tree work on two Oaks at 108 Lonnen Road.

NOTED.

394.16 RURAL BUS SERVICES REVIEW

Members NOTED that Dorset County Council was reviewing the rural bus service.

395.16 DORSET HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE PLAN 2015/16

Members NOTED that Dorset County Council had issued its latest Dorset Highways Maintenance Plan.

396.16 LONNEN ROAD, JUNCTION WITH MIDDLEHILL ROAD

A resident had requested that consideration be given to moving the grit bin from Lonnen Road (junction with Rotary Close) to the top part of Lonnen Road. This was because the newly tarmacked pavement opposite the Co-op became very slippery in icy conditions.

Members did not consider that the bin could be re-located as there was not a suitable area at the top of Lonnen Road. Instead it was AGREED that the Co-op would be asked if they would consider spreading salt on the pavements opposite and around the shop. The Council would provide the salt.

Members also AGREED that a bag of salt could be given to the owner of a property on the corner of the lower part of Lonnen Road, if the owner approved. Cllr Warren would inform the Clerk of the property address.

397.16 TRAFFIC PROBLEMS – WIMBORNE ROAD

A resident had requested that consideration be given to solving the traffic issues along Wimborne Road (from the War Memorial to Greenhill Lane junction), with a view to asking Dorset County Council to consider what measures could be put in place to reduce the risk of collisions.

Cllr Warren said that he considered that the traffic problems at Wimborne Road and Smugglers Lane were areas that needed to be policed and that he thought a Freedom of Information request should be made to find out when the police camera team and DCC traffic wardens had last visited the area.

The Clerk advised that DCC was already looking at the traffic and parking problems at Wimborne Road, outside Beaucroft School.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the Freedom of Information requests be made to the Police and DCC;
- (b) DCC be asked to include the whole of Wimborne Road in their investigations and not just the area outside Beaucroft School.

398.16 TRAFFIC SPEED - SMUGGLERS LANE AND COLEHILL LANE CROSSROADS

A resident had raised concerns about the traffic speed at Smugglers Lane up to the crossroads at St Michael's Church. The resident had witnessed another traffic collision and considered that a number of measures could be taken to improve safety.

RESOLVED that DCC be asked to include Smugglers Lane in their investigations into the traffic and parking problems in the area and to consider ways to ensure that traffic speed was reduced by the time it reached the crossroads at St Michael's Church.

399.16 LAND AT CUTLERS PLACE

No information had been received from the solicitor.

400.16 PUBLIC BENCHES

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

401.16 WAR MEMORIAL/BUS STOP

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

402.16 PLAY AREA/ST MICHAEL'S DIRT

Members NOTED that Dorset Works Organisation was working at the Play Area. Members also NOTED that two new jumps had been made at St Michael's Dirt, close to two tree stumps. The Clerk was discussing the matter with the lead rider.

403.16 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Members NOTED the latest figures from the Speed Indicator Device. It was suggested that regular information on the speed figures could be sent to the Stour and Avon Magazine.

404.16 GRIT BINS

Members NOTED there were no faults to report.

405.16 HIGHWAY MATTERS FOR REPORT

- (a) Cllr Johnson advised that the litter bin opposite the War Memorial had been removed. He was making enquiries with DWP to find out why.
- (b) Cllr Dover would contact DCC to ask what progress was being made with the Council's HGV request for Middlehill Road.
- (c) DCC be informed that of an overgrown hedge in Lonnen Road that was encroaching the pavement.

406.16 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA

- (a) Cllr Adams advised that he would be attending a meeting on Friday to discuss the Reef development.

The Meeting ended at 8.20pm.

CHAIRMAN