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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at Colehill Memorial Hall on **18 MAY 2010**.

PRESENT

Cllr Keith Baker, Chairman

Cllrs Susan Davies, Coirin Duff, Pat Francis, Tony Holloway (R), Joe Kingsmill, Dave Mitchell, David Packer and John Warren.

APOLOGIES

Cllr John Bell.

516.10 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

There were no declarations of interest.

517.10 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 April 2010, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

518.10 MATTERS ARISING

<u>460.10 – Newsletter</u> Cllr Davies reported that she was waiting to hear from Newsquest as to whether they would give a minimum of 25% refund on the fee paid.

<u>461.10 – Proposed Amendment to Constitution of Wimborne Cemetery</u> <u>JMC</u> The resolution be altered to "RESOLVED that the proposed amendment be agreed".

519.10 CLERK'S REPORT

(a) Access Licences

The owners of Nos 7, 9 and 11 Kyrchil Way had paid the annual access licence fee of £200 each.

- (b) Playbuilder Project
 - The second £10000 payment grant had been received.
- (c) <u>Wimborne Cemetery Joint Management Committee</u>
 The first payment of £1400 had been paid.
- (d) St John Ambulance

Fundraisers from St John Ambulance would be canvassing door to door donations via direct debit. They would be calling on households across East Dorset from 19 April for approximately 12 weeks.

(e) PAYE

HM Revenue Services had advised that all PAYE payments must be paid by the 22nd of each month to avoid a penalty.

(f) CCTV

Custom Security Services would repair the CCTV at a cost of £1497.00 + VAT. Payment had been agreed under Financial Regulations 3.4.

(g) Grant Aid

Letters of thanks had been received from Vision Wimborne Dialaride, Citizens Advice Bureau and Life Education Wessex.

(h) Bank Account

A new Barclays Business Reserve account had been opened in preparation for the PWLB loan.

520.10 STING IN THE TALE

EDDC had requested funding for the Sting in the Tale festival of stories 2010.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) no grant be awarded for 2010/11;
- (b) EDDC be advised that they must apply for funding by 17 September 2010 to be considered for a grant in 2011/12.

521.10 GOAL POSTS

EDDC had advised that they would be able to purchase two goals for Oliver's Park, but requested that the Council pay the installation costs.

Steve Smith Fencing had quoted a maximum charge of £170 plus VAT to install the posts and remove the old ones. EDDC would recycle the old posts at another play area.

RESOLVED that EDDC be informed that the Council would pay the installation costs.

522.10 LITTER

Cllr Johnson reported on a resident's request to tackle the litter problem at the One Stop shop and the area in Old Ham Lane behind Jewsons.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the One Stop shop be asked to litter pick regularly outside the shop and they be informed of a similar situation at the Co-op and how they successfully litter pick their area;
- (b) Ferndown Town Council be asked to consider litter picking the area behind Jewsons.

523.10 <u>THE REEF – COLEHILL AND WIMBORNE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY</u> CENTRE

Cllr Mitchell reported that the Chairman of the Colehill and Wimborne Youth and Community Centre had asked Committee to consider awarding a grant to assist with the running costs of the Reef.

The £20,000 grant awarded in 2008 and paid in stages up to 2011 had been ring fenced for the rebuild. Prior to this grant the Council regularly awarded grants to assist with the running costs. The Chairman had advised that funds for this were low.

RESOLVED that no further grants be awarded until the final payment of £5500 had been paid in April 2011.

524.10 ALLOTMENTS

The Council's planning application for allotments had been refused.

Cllr Mitchell reported on the meeting he had attended on the Council's plans for allotments. He advised that Richard Walker Evaluations and Estates would be conducting a review of potential land and a member of the Allotment Association was assisting. The National Trust was also considering whether they had any land that could be used.

Cllr Mitchell had been informed of an allotment group that had self financed their own allotments and he considered that the Council should meet with all interested parties to determine to what extend they were prepared to help themselves.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the plans at Bytheway be halted for the time being;
- (b) the applicants be advised of the Council's investigations and they be invited to attend a meeting (date to be arranged).

525.10 GIVE OR TAKE DAY

EDDC's Recycling Officer had advised that she would not be able to hold a Give or Take Day in Colehill until early 2011.

RESOLVED that the Recycling Officer be informed that the Council would like to have a Give or Take Day in early 2011 and would assist on whatever date was decided.

526.10 COUNTRY FAIR EXPENDITURE

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the stallholders be charged £15 per stall;
- (b) the entrance charges would be £5.00 for adults, £3.50 for seniors and children up to 15 would be free.

Members thanked Cllr Davies for her hard work in organising the Country Fair.

527.10 <u>INSURANCE RENEWAL – FIDELITY GUARANTEE</u>

RESOLVED that the Council's fidelity guarantee be increased to £200,000 at an additional premium cost of £119.07.

528.10 INTERNAL AUDIT – YEAR END MARCH 2010

A letter from the Internal Auditor, dated 14 May 2010, was distributed at the meeting. Investigations highlighted an error whereby DCC had issued an invoice with the incorrect VAT rate.

RESOLVED that DCC be asked to provide a VAT invoice for the remaining 2.5% on £18274.38 (£456.86).

529.10 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed at Appendix 1 be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

530.10 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Davies asked Members to consider what organisation should benefit from any funds raised at this year's Country Fair and that this decision be made at the next Council meeting.

The Meeting ended at 21.21 hrs.

CHAIRMAN