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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the MEMORIAL HALL on **24 JANUARY 2006.** 

#### **PRESENT**

Cllr KD Johnson, Chairman

Cllr Andrew Marsh, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs John Bell, Gwen Divall, John Gooch. Jeffrey Greenwood,

David Packer, Ted Phillips, John Warren

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Keith Baker

**APOLOGIES** 

Cllrs Scott Miller, David Torring (R)

### 320.05 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr J Gooch declared his interest in M. 323 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

### **321.05 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 November, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

## 322.05 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

Further to Minute 250.05, the Clerk had received a letter from David Maidment indicating his interest in acting as the Council's Internal Auditor at the same hourly rate as previously paid (£16.50 her hour). He would be available to undertake the year-end audit to March 2006 in June if the Council so required.

RESOLVED that David Maidment be appointed as the Council's Internal Auditor with effect from March 2006.

## 323.05 <u>ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u>

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

## 324.05 LAND MANAGEMENT

It was noted that a meeting of Land Management Sub-Committee was scheduled for 14 February. Woodland in the Council's ownership was reviewed and it was RESOLVED as follows:-

- (a) TRIANGLE & KYRCHIL CORNER
  That Workdays be held on 18 February and 1 April.
- (b) BMX TRAILS
  On18 February, work be concentrated at the Trails to remove the metal bars set in concrete that had been left on site.

## 325.05 OLIVERS PARK PLAY AREA

EDDC has undertaken most of the work recommended in the 2005 RoSPA report. It had not proved possible to tighten the bolts to the base plate of the spring 'hippo'. The Clerk had requested EDDC to investigate the cost of a new base plate, a replacement play item would cost £900 plus installation costs.

RESOLVED that enquiries be made of EDDC regarding expenditure to date on repair and maintenance for the current year.

## 326.05 POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT VEHICLE

Notification has been given by Dorset Police that with effect from 1 April the unit will cease to make visits to the sites as previously listed and will be utilised for information and intelligence analysis targeting specific incidents to provide public reassurance.

**NOTED** 

### 327.05 PARISH PLAN SUB-COMMITTEE

The meeting listed for 17 January had been postponed. Cllr John Gooch reported that a sample questionnaire had been obtained and Sub-Committee Members felt that a further meeting was required to review its contents.

RESOLVED that Cllr Keith Baker be appointed to serve on the Parish Plan Sub-Committee and it was agreed that Members would confer to agree a mutually convenient date for the next meeting.

## 328.05 PARISH COUNCIL – OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH

An official group photograph of the Parish Council was last taken in 2001. It was felt that the montage of individual photos had to some extent replaced the need for a group photo, however, following discussion it was RESOLVED that the Clerk enquire about the current cost of a group photo.

## 329.05 PARISH COUNCILLORS EMAIL ADDRESSES

Some Members were receiving quantities of Spam emails via their Parish Council email addresses. Cllr KD Johnson advised on action that might be taken to filter it.

## 330.05 CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS

The Council had received four sets of consultation documents and discussion papers, these were allocated for review as follows:-

- (a) East Dorset Consultative Social Inclusion Diversity and Equality
  Strategy (Close 28 February)
  Cllr Gwen Divall
- (b) <u>S & E Dorset Primary Care Trust "Community Hospitals"</u> (Close 31 March 2006).

  Cllr John Gooch. Cllr Gooch had written to S & E Dorset Primary Care Trust requesting clarification of points in their

consultative document.

- (c) <u>Local Government Pension Scheme (Amendment) (No. 3)</u>
  Regulations 2005 (Close 28 February)
  Noted
- (d) ODPM Standards of Conduct in English Local Government:

  The Future.
  Cllr Jeffrey Greenwood

# 331.05 <u>COUNCILLORS TRAINING</u>

Notification of the following training opportunities had been received:-

- (a) DORSET COUNTY TRAINING PARTNERSHIP
  "A chance to learn how you should run the Council's
  FINANCES." A training session led by Peter Lacey on
  21 February at Stratton Nr. Dorchester from 2.00 5 pm.
  Application forms were available from the Clerk.
- (b) DORSET COMMUNITY ACTION
  Funding Advice Workshop at Wimborne, 24 January
  'Raising the Profile of Your Organisation' at Corfe Mullen
  8 February.
  NOTED

The Meeting ended at 21.05hrs

**CHAIRMAN**