

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH OF COLEHILL - 2024

At the Annual Parish Meeting of COLEHILL PARISH held via at Colehill Village Hall on 16 APRIL 2024, at 7.00pm.

IN ATTENDANCE – 10 residents including Cllr Nigel Bridle.

As the Chair of the Council Cllr Nigel Bridle was in attendance, he Chaired the meeting. He welcomed everybody to the Annual Parish Meeting and pointed out that this was not a Council meeting, but a meeting of residents.

MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th April 2023, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

Chair thanked everyone for everything they've done which has included the Oliver's Park play area, benches, footpaths, and the telephone box acquisition.

The community library remains hugely successful as well as St Michael's Church who have a very full social and events calendar which the community engage with incredibly well.

All the bus shelters have been just been washed this year as well as graffiti removed.

The Council organised Remembrance Parade was a big success and well attended as usual.

Colehill & Wimborne Youth & Community Centre (The Reef) has been a huge project for the Council this year with the acquisition and legal transfer took some months following the retirement of the founding trustees. Following this - many hundreds of hours of time investment by staff as well as the Chair of the trustees took place who has done an enormous amount of work to get the centre into a more self-sufficient running model. Fundraising has taken place at the Reef by Cllr Urquhart and the Clerk and Assistant Clerk.

The Coronation events were particularly well attended with the children's event also pulling in a small revenue for the Reef and many thanks to KD Johnson and Leslie Gibson for organising the Coronation Quiz at the Village Hall.

The Council also are continuing to fund the number 88 community bus.

The Village Christmas party went down well again this year and was attended by approx. 60 children and their family members. The Christmas tree which the Chair funding from the Chair's Council allowance at the library has been very well received.

MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH RESIDENTS – OPEN FORUM

The St Michael's BMX track is no longer seemingly being used by many members of the public, but riders have started using Cannon Hill Woods – could the 'Friends of Cannon Hill' be contacted to establish whether they are happy about this or not. The Parish Council Clerk will be asked to do this.

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting at 7:14 pm.