

**Colehill Parish Council: Action Plan April 2024 – March 2025**

<b><u>Project/Service</u></b>	<b><u>Action/ Comments</u></b>	<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Notes</u></b>
<b><u>Community Engagement</u></b>			
Local Groups	The Council will continue to provide Councillor representatives for local groups as requested and as deemed appropriate.  A list of the current appointed roles and responsibilities is available on the Council website.	N/A	
Website	The Council will continue to use its website to promote local events, share community information and publish statutory documents.  The Council will carry out quarterly accessibility reviews of the website.	600	
Social media	The Council will continue to engage with wider public by publishing articles of interest to the local community and to share details of events and updates on local issues.	N/A	
Grants / Donations	The Council will accept applications from local organisations to apply for community grants with consideration of the budget allocated and the Council's Grant Making Policy.	31,000	
Planning	Colehill Parish Council are a 'statutory consultee' for planning applications. The Council will continue to discuss and respond to planning applications as appropriate. The Council will also continue to publish details of all applications we are sent, issued by Dorset Council, on the Colehill Parish Council website.	N/A	
Promote democracy	The Council will publish information regarding elections and vacancies on the Council website, Facebook page and on noticeboards. The Council will continue to be pro-active in its efforts to fill vacancies.	N/A	
Community events	The Council will organise a Remembrance event and a Christmas party for local children.	2,500	
Consultation	When making decisions, the Council will consider whether to consult with the public on matters involving significant spending or issues of local importance.	N/A	
Transport links	The Council will continue to co-fund the Number 88 Community Bus which provides a circular route linking Colehill with Wimborne, Kingston Lacy and Sturminster Marshall 3 days a week.	4,500	
Defibrillator	The Council will continue to provide defibrillators located at The Reef Youth & Community Centre and One Stop.	-	
<b><u>Services &amp; Facilities</u></b>			

Oliver's Park & Churchmoor Copse	<p>The Council is undertaking the following maintenance and improvements works in addition to the ongoing maintenance and grass cutting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of a new noticeboard by the car park</li> <li>• Installation of new playground equipment following a public consultation</li> <li>• Clear brambles from paths</li> <li>• Installation of wild flower bed on Oliver's field</li> <li>• Installation of gym equipment</li> <li>• Install the 'Fields in Trust' Plaque</li> </ul>	63,000	
<b>Woods:</b>	In addition to ongoing maintenance, at Coombes Wood the Council will also carry out repairs to the entrance barrier	1,000	
Coombes Wood Kyrchil Corner Merrifield Wood Triangle Wood  Churchmoor Copse	<p>The Council will continue to carry out tree inspections as per the Woods Risk Assessment and to complete any required works identified.</p> <p>The Council will continue to respond to any concerns raised by members of the public regarding the safety of trees.</p>	15,000	
Colehill Village Hall	<p>Colehill Parish Council is the custodian trustee and has a representative who attends committee meetings as an observer. This year the Council plan to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant for refurbishment of the Betty Webster Committee room</li> <li>• Install a new Honours board with permission of the hall trustees</li> </ul>	Grant falls within the grants budget	
Reef Youth & Community Centre	<p>The Council is the sole member of the charity which operates The Reef Colehill &amp; Wimborne Youth &amp; Community Centre. The Reef is operated as entirely separate entity to the Council with the Council appointing cllrs to act as trustees for the charity in addition to the role as cllrs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Council will appoint cllrs to act as trustees of the charity for a new term</li> <li>• The Council will continue to provide administration support to The Reef for which the Council will invoice the charity for</li> </ul>	N/A	
	The Council intends to continue to hire storage space at The Reef (this and the cupboard space at the Village Hall being the only storage space the Council has).	1,000	
Highways & Street Furniture	The Council will carry out works to repurpose the telephone box at Dales Drive which the Council adopted in 2023/24.		
	Noticeboards Inc. new noticeboards outside Co-op and washing of fingerposts	3,500	
	Refurbishment of Millennium map	1,000	
	Signage inc. CGR Road sign changes & new signage at The Dirt	2,000	
	Clean war memorial	500	

	Wash bus shelters	300	
	Paint selected benches	300	
<b><u>Environment</u></b>			
Planting	Plant wild flower verges	2,000	
	Bulb giveaway to local residents to plant in public spaces		
Recycling	Blister pack recycling project		
Litter clearance	Organisation of community litter picking events	1,500	
	Emptying of 3 additional curb side general waste bins		
	Commercial litter clearance of Coombe Wood		
<b><u>Other</u></b>			
Obtain general power of competence			