At the Extraordinary Council Meeting of **COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL** held at COLEHILL VILLAGE HALL on **9**TH **May 2023**, at **7.15pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Nigel Bridle, Chair

Cllr Leslie Gibson, Vice-Chair

Cllrs Ann Edwards, Michael Gibbs, Mark Keniston, KD Johnson, Ken Murgatroyd, Andy Todd and Emma Urquhart

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Clare Davison (Non-business). It was RESOLVED to accept the reasons for apologies.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Z Caddy – Clerk.

401.23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

402.23 CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair thanked everyone who was involved in the Coronation weekend's events and remarked that all residents who attended either the Quiz on Friday night and/or the children's day enjoyed themselves greatly.

403.23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public in attendance.

404.23 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11th April were submitted.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed.

405.23 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

406.23 COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) HIGHWAYS PLANS & THE ENVIRONMENT – 25th April The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

(b) FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES – 25th April The report of the Meeting was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

407.23 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

408.23 LAPTOP

It was felt that £700 would not cover the cost of a suitable laptop, so it was RESOLVED to allow up to £1,000 to be spent on a laptop/hardware for the new Deputy to use.

409.23 EXTERNAL AUDITOR

It was NOTED that the appointed External Auditor for the 2022-23 financial year for the 5 year period until 2026-27 is BDO LLP. It was CONFIRMED that no members of the Council have a conflict of interest with regards to the appointment of this firm.

410.23 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was RESOLVED that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted in the next two items it is likely that if a member of the public and/or accredited representatives of newspapers were present during the following item then there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A on the Local government Act 1972 and they therefore be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s. 100 of the Local Government Act 1972)

411.23 WIMBORNE CEMETERY

It was RESOLVED that we cease involvement in Wimborne Cemetery JMC and will offer an ongoing arrangement to enable Colehill residents to continue to have services at the 'residents' reduced rate, supported by us.

412.23 STAFF MATTERS

It was RESOLVED to offer one of the applicants the Deputy Clerk position and to employ them initially on 6 month's probation at SCP LC1 working through points 13-17 as per minute number 341.23

413.23 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING AGENDA The bird and bat boxes go up tomorrow.

The Meeting ended at 9:02 pm.

<u>CHAIR</u>