

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL TOWN COUNCIL held at COLEHILL & WIMBORNE YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE on **25TH August 2026**, at **7.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Andy Todd, Chair
Cllr KD Johnson, Vice-Chair
Cllrs Carol Butter, Susan Cowsill, Clare Davison (as substitute for Cllr Mark Kensiton) Ann Edwards, Leslie Gibson and Emma Urquhart

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Mark Keniston (Non-business) It was **RESOLVED** to accept the reasons for the apologies.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Z Caddy– Clerk. 1 member of the public. Cllr Richard Palmer as an observer.

97.26 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Todd to the position of Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the municipal year. (Cllr Andy Todd resigned as Vice-Chair of this committee)

98.26 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Johnson to the position of Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the municipal year.

99.26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.
Cllr Johnson declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Fairtrade organisation. It was **AGREED** that members were happy for Cllr KD Johnson to stay in the room during the grant aid discussion but not vote.

100.26 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

No members of the public made any representations.

101.26 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th June 2026, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

102.26 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

103.26 FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME (FSCS)

It was **NOTED** that there has been an increase in the figure covered for compensation per UK-regulated financial institution to £120,000.

104.26 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.

105.26 ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement which includes a comparison of income and expenditure against the budget from 1 April 2026 to 19th August 2026, a copy of which appears as Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

106.26 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS

RESOLVED that the bank account reconciliations be signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

107.26 INSURANCE

It was RESOLVED to take out annual insurance including Public Liability with Zurich Municipal.

108.26 GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS

Following recommendation from the Governance Working Group and review/ amendments to existing policies and procedures, it was It was RESOLVED to adopt the following documents which will be published online:

- a) Emergency Powers Policy
- b) Risk Management Policy
- c) Equality & Diversity Inclusion Policy
- d) Grievance Procedure – this was DEFERRED to a later meeting.

109.26 GRANT AID

It was RESOLVED to grant the following amounts to the organisations below Colehill Village Hall - £2,700.

Wimborne Minster & Colehill Fairtrade £488.50

110.26 ANNUAL TOWN PLAN REVIEW

The annual plan was reviewed. A copy of which appears as Appendix 3 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Bleed kit research – Cllr Urquhart will do some investigating on whether St Michaels Middle School has one already, Dorset Youth thoughts, pricing and viability.

Cllr Davison will investigate other CIL uses and report back. These two items will be listed on the 27th October Committee agenda.

Clerk will organise the annual Bulb giveaway and look to tie in with the next library public event.

111.26 ITEMS FOR REPORT AND CLOSE OF MEETING

Cllr Johnson – reminded members that the DAPTC conference is on Thursday 22nd October.

The Meeting ended 8:07pm.

CHAIR