

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL VILLAGE HALL on **28<sup>TH</sup> February 2023**, at **8.16pm**.

**PRESENT**

Cllr Leslie Gibson, Chair  
Cllrs Clare Davison, Cllr Ann Edwards (as substitute for Nigel Bridle) Michael Gibbs, KD Johnson, Mark Keniston, Ken Murgatroyd (as substitute for Emma Urquhart) and Andy Todd

**APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Emma Urquhart (Vice-Chair) (Non-business) and Nigel Bridle (Non-business).  
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the reasons for apologies from both members.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mrs Z Caddy– Clerk.

**313.23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**314.23 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

There were no members of the public present.

**315.23 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**316.23 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**317.23 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.

**318.23 ACCOUNTS**

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2023 to 22 February 2023, a copy of which appears as Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

**317.23 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS**

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

**318.23 VIREMENTS**

It was **RESOLVED** to make the following virements:

Budget Heading	Overspend	Anticipated additional o/spend by Year End	Possible budget heading with a

			<b>current under spend</b>
115/2 Local Organisations	£500		115/1 Village Hall £9,234.20
120/1 Oliver's Park Maintenance	£752.00		115/1 Village Hall £9,234.20
125/2 Other s.137 spending	£4,175.99	£1,000 (lease report)	125/1 Donations £3,150 115/1 Village Hall £9,234.20
165 Publicity	£220.47	£500 (website MOT)	160 Entertainments £1,544.03

**319.23 DELEGATED DECISIONS**

The following decisions taken under delegated powers were RESOLVED:

Residents tea/coffee/cake afternoon – Total cost £118.37 (some of which is reclaimable VAT as well as including unused items which we will carry over to further events ie tablecloths, napkins, food allergy labels etc). Spending for this falls under The Local Government Act 1972 s145 – ‘power to contribute towards the provision of an entertainment of any nature’.

**320.23 NOTICEBOARD INSTALLATION**

It was RESOLVED to agree to the cost of £445.55 + VAT (£89.11) for Dorset Council to remove the old and install the new notice board on Leigh Lane. Spending for this falls under The Local Government Act 1972 s.142 – ‘power to provide information relating to matters affecting local government’

**321.23 CLERK HOME WORKING ADDITIONAL FUEL PAYMENT**

Further to the Budget decision at minute number 241.22 it was RESOLVED to make a one off £500 cost of energy winter payment to the Clerk in connection with providing the home office of the Council on 1<sup>st</sup> April. It was felt this expense would also and reasonably be incurred if the Council had a separate office to heat and light. Spending for this falls under The Local Government Act 1972 s 111 – power to do anything which is calculated to facilitate the discharge of any of their functions’.

**322.23 CORONATION**

Cllr Gibson gave an update from the Coronation Working party meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> February. It was RESOLVED to allow £2,200 for commemorative items including mugs and bookmarks to be given out to children in the Parish, £500 for party packs which residents can apply for to use at their Colehill street parties and £200 for trophies/medals/book marks for the Coronation Quiz.

**323.23 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2022/23**

It was RESOLVED to give grant aid awards to the organisations detailed below:

Activate/Inside Out festival - £750 on the condition that if the event doesn't take place the funds are refunded. Power for this Grant falls under The Local

Government Act 1972 s145 – ‘power to contribute towards the provision of an entertainment of any nature’.

Friends of Cannon Hill Woods - £4,000. Power for this Grant falls under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19 – ‘power to contribute to a wide range of recreational facilities in or outside of the Council’s area’.

**324.23 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA**

Dorset Council Waste Services are starting a litter picking 12 March A31 & A338

The Meeting ended at 9:05 pm.

CHAIR