

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **8th October 2019**, at **8.00pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr David Mitchell, Chairman
Cllr Emma Urquhart, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Nigel Bridle, Susan Cowsill, Andy Gale, Leslie Gibson, Charlotte Greening, KD Johnson, Stefan Morawiec and **David Packer, (Rota Member)**.

APOLOGIES

No apologies

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Z Caddy– Clerk.

205.19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Cowsill and Mitchell declared an interest in the community library although this is not pecuniary.

206.19 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 August 2019, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

207.19 MATTERS ARISING

135.19 – Cllr Johnson reported that following a survey and analysis from Dorset Council, the traffic on Middlehill Road is not fast enough to warrant a further SID post.

208.19 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2020/21

The grants awarded would be incorporated into the 2019/20 budget which would be considered by this Committee on 10 December 2019. The grants would be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2020.

(a) Colehill Scout Group

RESOLVED that this decision would be deferred to the Council meeting on November 5th to allow time for the Scouts to provide some quotes from suppliers.

(b) Colehill Community Library

Proposed by Cllr Urquhart that £11,000 be awarded to Colehill Community Library, seconded by Cllr Morawiec.
This grant would be paid in two equal instalments in April and October.

RESOLVED that a donation of £11,000 be approved under the Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act, as amended by s36 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

(c) Girlguiding

Proposed by Cllr Cowsill that £600 be awarded to Colehill District Guides, seconded by Cllr Greening. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £600 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act as amended by s36 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

(d) Colehill Memorial Hall

Proposed by Cllr Cowsill that £4,500 be awarded to Colehill Memorial Hall, seconded by Cllr Johnson. The £500 is specifically for the installation of the internet and towards the cost for the year. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £4,500 be approved under Section 133 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(e) Citizens' Advice Bureau

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £2,500 be awarded to Citizens' Advice Bureau, seconded by Cllr Urquhart. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £2,500 be approved under Section 142 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(f) East Dorset Tourist Information Centre

Proposed by Cllr Urquhart that £500 be awarded to East Dorset Tourist Information Centre, seconded by Cllr Greening. 7:0 (2 abstentions).

RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be approved under Section 144 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(g) Sting in the Tale A Festival of Stories

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £500 be awarded to Sting in the Tale A Festival of Stories, seconded by Cllr Greening. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be approved under Section 145 of the 1972 Local Government Act

(h) Colehill Nursery

Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £500 be awarded to Colehill Nursery, seconded by Cllr Cowsill. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act, as amended by s36 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

The Clerk would inform the Nursery that grants are available from both Wessex Water and the Woodland Trust which could be used to finish their outdoor space project.

- (i) Wimborne History Festival
Proposed by Cllr Cowsill that £500 be awarded to Wimborne History Festival, seconded by Cllr Gale. Unanimous.
- RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be approved under Section 145 of the 1972 Local Government Act.
- (j) Life Education Wessex
It was proposed by Cllr Urquhart and seconded by Cllr Cowsill that Life Education Wessex is based in Devon and therefore is not local enough to Colehill to benefit from a grant.
- (k) Vision Wimborne Dial a Ride
Proposed by Cllr Johnson that £500 be awarded to Vision Wimborne Dial a Ride, seconded by Cllr Morawiec. Unanimous.
- RESOLVED that a donation of £500 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act, as amended by s36 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989

ACCOUNTS

- 209.19** The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2019 to 1 October 2019, a copy of which appears as Appendix 3 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

210.19 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

211.19 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS

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

212.19 HALL INSPECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

The report of the meeting held on 18 September 2019 was submitted and appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cllr Johnson feels that securing the Memorial Hall car park is unnecessary.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

213.19 INTERNAL AUDIT

Members NOTED that the internal audit is likely to take place the week commencing 14th October, and the report will be available at the full Council meeting on November 5th.

214.19 COMMITTEE ROOM INTERNET ACCESS

Cllr Johnson would like internet access be installed into the committee room. Cllr Urquhart proposed and Cllr Gibson seconded that a mobile SIM could be

bought and paid for, on a year's contract. Cllr Johnson would look into different options and report back to the Clerk.

215.19 TREES

Cllr Urquhart would like to look at buying a batch of trees from Woodland Trust at a cost of £395 for 420 to potentially give out to residents one each on a first come first served basis. Cllr Mitchell stated that these must be native species and if a package is bought they must be suitable. The members were in favour of the idea in principle but it needs investigating further and brought back to full Council. Cllr Bridle volunteered to house them when bought. The Clerk would liaise with the tree officer from Dorset Council for recommendations on suitable types.

216.19 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Johnson said that the SID has now been relocated to Middlehill Road.

The Meeting ended at 8:43 pm.

CHAIRMAN