

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at COLEHILL MEMORIAL HALL on **9 OCTOBER 2018**, at **7.30pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Stephen King, Chairman
Cllr Helen Lawrence, Vice-Chairman
Cllrs Susan Cowsill, KD Johnson, David Mitchell, Barry Roberts, Peter Scriven, Emma Urquhart and Jeff Webb (R).

APOLOGIES

Cllr Charlotte Greening.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Paine – Clerk.

Two members of the Colehill Memorial Hall Management Committee.

216.18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

217.18 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 August 2018, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

218.18 MATTERS ARISING

142.18 DCC had given permission for a bus shelter to be installed at Middlehill Road.

147.18 (d) The Police had agreed to the Council managing their notice board. Cllr Mitchell was arranging for it to be repainted.

219.18 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2019/20

The grants awarded would be incorporated into the 2019/20 budget which would be considered by this Committee on 4 December 2018. The grants would be presented to organisations at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2019.

(a) Amelia's Rainbow

Proposed by Cllr Mitchell that an ex-gratia payment of £250 be awarded to Amelia's Rainbow, seconded by Cllr Johnson. 6:3

RESOLVED that an ex-gratia payment of £250 be approved under Section 144 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(b) Colehill Community Library

Proposed by Cllr Roberts that £11,000 be awarded to Colehill Community Library, seconded by Cllr Urquhart. The Council would consider making a commitment to supporting the Colehill Community Library, (as in previous years), when more information was known about the support available from the new Dorset Council. Unanimous.

This grant would be paid in two equal instalments in April and October.

RESOLVED that a donation of £11,000 be approved under the General Power of Competence.

(c) Colehill Memorial Hall

Proposed by Cllr Roberts that £4,000 be awarded to Colehill Memorial Hall, seconded by Cllr Urquhart. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £4,000 be approved under Section 133 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(d) Citizens' Advice Bureau

Proposed by Cllr Cowsill that £2,000 be awarded to Citizens' Advice Bureau, seconded by Cllr Mitchell. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £2,000 be approved under Section 142 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(e) East Dorset Tourist Information Centre

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

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

(f) Girlguiding

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

RESOLVED that a donation of £600 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(g) Sting in the Tale A Festival of Stories

Proposed by Cllr Roberts that £250 be awarded to Sting in the Tale A Festival of Stories, seconded by Cllr Urquhart. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £250 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

(h) Wimborne Befriending Service RVS

The decision to be deferred pending information on whether a grant had been applied for at Wimborne Minster Town Council.

(i) Wimborne History Festival

Proposed by Cllr Urquhart that £300 be awarded to Wimborne History Festival, seconded by Cllr Lawrence. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that a donation of £300 be approved under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

220.18 ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

The Members NOTED that the annual inspections had taken place at Oliver's Park play area and at St Michael's Dirt. The matters that had been highlighted by the inspector were classed as low risk or very low risk and would be rectified and/or monitored.

The Clerk had sent a copy of the St Michael's Dirt inspection to the lead rider who had asked the Council to re-consider having a barrier installed across the two bigger lines of jumps. After discussion, it was AGREED that the Council could not allow a barrier to be installed as the land was classed as "common land" and no structures were permissible. The Members asked that the lead rider be thanked for his continued support of the track.

221.18 HALL INSPECTION SUB-COMMITTEE

The report of the meeting held on 26 September 2018 was submitted and appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the report be approved and adopted.

222.18 WAR MEMORIAL

RESOLVED that the quotation of £265 + VAT for cleaning the war memorial be accepted.

223.18 ACCOUNTS

The Clerk circulated a Financial Statement from 1 April 2018 to 2 October 2018, a copy of which appears as Appendix 2 to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Financial Statement be received and noted.

224.18 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed in Appendix 3 to these Minutes in the Minute Book be passed for payment and cheques drawn accordingly.

225.18 BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS

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

226.18 INTERNAL AUDIT (1 APRIL 2018 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2018)

Members NOTED that the half year internal audit would commence on 11 October. The report letter would be presented to Council on 6 November 2018.

227.18 ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FUTURE AGENDA

- (a) Cllr Shane Bartlett would be invited to attend the Council's public meeting on 25 October.
- (b) A notice advertising the public meeting would be placed in the Stour and Avon Magazine.

- (c) DCC had advised that to install 15 car parking spaces at Beaucroft School the cost would be £80,000. This matter would be discussed at Council on 6 November.

The Meeting ended at 8.45pm.

CHAIRMAN