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At a Meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of
COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL held at the MEMORIAL HALL on **25 JUNE 2002**.

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs J Dover, Chairman

Cllr G Divall, Vice-Chairman

Cllrs J Bell, A Gooch, J Greenwood, J Horwood, K Johnson, Mrs S Jones,
Mrs M Osner, E Phillips, J Warren

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllrs Holloway, Hurst, Marsh

APOLOGY

Parish Clerk - Janet Stokes

88 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr J Greenwood declared a pecuniary and prejudicial interest in Minute 98 (KYRCHIL CORNER - ACCESS LICENCES) and left the room during discussion of that item.

89 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 May, having been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

90 ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

District Audit had completed Audit of this year's accounts and the 'Memorandum of Matters Arising' was presented. Completion of the Audit had been advertised.

RESOLVED that the 'Memorandum of Matters Arising' be noted and the Auditor informed accordingly.

91 ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002
INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

Cllr Ted Phillips had examined the accounts in accordance with the DAPTC checklist. Copies of the report were circulated to Members. This report concluded the period during which a Parish Councillor could undertake the Internal Audit. An independent auditor would need to be appointed under the new 'Lighter Touch' Regime to audit accounts for the period commencing 1 April 2002.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The report be received and noted.
- (b) Cllr Phillips be thanked for his work on the Council's behalf.

92 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the accounts listed at Appendix 1 be passed for payment and cheques drawn therefor.

93 **JUBILEE TREE PLANTING**
POST OFFICE CROSSROADS

The Chairman reported that, together with the Clerk, he had met Alan Turner of EDDC and Nigel Hamer of DCC to agree the appropriate species of tree to plant on The Triangle side of Post Office Crossroads.

A *Prunus Avium* was recommended and a 2-year maintenance contract would be required.

RESOLVED that :-

- (a) Approval be given to the planting of a *Prunus Avium* at this location.
- (b) The Clerk be requested to obtain two quotations for supply, planting and maintenance from suitable suppliers.
- (c) The Chairman and Clerk be authorised to accept the lowest or most suitable quotation not exceeding £350.

94 **THE TRIANGLE**

(a) **VILLAGE GREEN REGISTRATION**

Further to Minute 320, DCC had advised that no objection had been raised to this Council's application to register The Triangle as a Village Green. The application would now proceed to DCC Rights of Way Committee for approval.

(b) **CONSERVATION WORKDAY 15 JUNE**

The morning had been devoted largely to clearing litter and cutting back bushes along the pavement in Wimborne Road. The Dorset YOTs group had attended. There were tentative plans to work for a full day on Sat 15 October to clear and burn laurel and rhododendron bushes on the Triangle.

NOTED

95 **WOODLAND OFF SMUGGLERS LANE**

The Clerk had submitted the following progress report on matters relating to the BMX track:-

(a) **LITTER BIN**

EDDC depot had promised to deliver a litter bin for use at the site. In the meantime black sacks had been provided.

(b) **SIGNS**

Three signs had been erected by Dorset Works Organisation on 19 June.

(c) **PERMITS**

Approximately 25 permits had been distributed to date.

(d) **TREE WORK**

The Clerk had discussed with ED Countryside Management Team the tree work recommended in the ROSPA report. It was hoped that the Team could undertake the work without assistance from an outside contractor and confirmation was awaited.

NOTED

96 TRANSFER OF LICENCE - ALLDAYS STORE

Notification has been received of an application to Transfer the Licence in respect of Alldays Stores now held by Stuart Powell, Keith Lawrence and Elizabeth Mann to Stuart Powell, John Blomfield and Keith Lawrence.

NOTED

**97 RACE RELATIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2000
DAPTC CIRCULAR 22/02**

The County Secretary DAPTC had drawn the attention of Local Council's to legislation on this subject. It was recommended that a formal Resolution be adopted declaring the Council's intention to acknowledge and adopt the aims of this legislation.

RESOLVED that a Recommendation be made to Council that the following Resolution be adopted:-

“Colehill Parish Council acknowledges the general duty placed upon it by the Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000. The Council will continue within its functions and policies to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, promote equality of opportunity and promote racial equality between people of different racial groups.”

98 KYRCHIL CORNER - ACCESS LICENCES

Further to Minute 67, a discussion ensued on the action to be taken regarding the licences. It was RESOLVED that no further action be taken by the Council pending a response to the Solicitor's letter.

The Meeting ended at 21.00hrs

CHAIRMAN