

At the Wimborne Cemetery Joint Management Committee Meeting held at COLEHILL VILLAGE HALL on **26th April 2023**, at **7.15pm**.

PRESENT

Cllr Nigel Bridle (Colehill), Chair

Cllrs Louise Hinks (Wimborne) Carol Chedgy (Wimborne) Johnny Purchase (Pamphill & Shapwick) and Emma Urquhart (Colehill)

APOLOGIES

No Apologies.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Z Caddy – Colehill Parish Council Clerk.

2 Members of the public.

WCJMC/2023/093 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

It was AGREED that Cllr Chedgy could participate and vote despite the agenda going to the previous WMTTC JMC member, who has subsequently resigned without the Colehill Clerk's knowledge. Cllr Chedgy had been appointed to the JMC at Wimborne Minster's meeting the previous evening.

WCJMC/2023/094 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17th April were submitted. Cllr Davison resignation and date to be inserted in place of the 'refusal to attend'.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed subject to the amendment.

WCJMC/2023/095 MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

WCJMC/2023/096 CEMETERY OPERATIONS – ITEMS 6 & 7 WERE AMALGAMATED

It was RESOLVED to suspend the pre-purchasing of plots for three months and that a statement will be uploaded on website and that the local funeral directors will be informed.

It was RESOLVED that a Wimborne Minster Town Councillor will continue answering the telephone and monitoring email enquiries.

It was RESOLVED that Wimborne Minster Town Council Officers be allowed to continue carrying out burials in the interim following their kind offer on an ad hoc basis depending on their capacity.

It was RESOLVED that a locum will be sought in the interim. The Colehill Clerk will enquire with DAPTC, SLCC and LGRC.

It was RESOLVED that ideally a locum that can use Edge would be the most beneficial. If that is not possible this could be outsourced to a firm of accountants and if necessary an alternative accounts package may need to be used for the financial year 2023/2024.

WCJMC/2023/097 PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

It was RESOLVED that the statement to be put on the website will read – ‘Please be advised we are not currently taking new pre-purchased plot enquiries due to operational issues. This will be reviewed at the end of July’.

WCJMC/2023/098 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING AGENDA

Next agenda needs to list the concerns with the lodge and the tenants requests.

Pamphill & Shapwick – exit terms including a date and proposals in connection with this to go back to the other Councils.

Appointing an independent auditor.

Light a touch – Tim Light.

Policies and risk assessments.

Potentially 24th May for next meeting.

The Meeting ended at 8:59 pm.

CHAIR