

22 May 2022

Response to CGR Recommendation 14 + new proposal by CPC

Dear Resident

On Friday evening, Colehill Parish Council (CPC) held a last minute Extraordinary Council Meeting to decide on the response to Draft Recommendation 14 it would submit to the Dorset Community Governance Review (CGR), following its request for residents to give feedback on this matter on its website form. In this process it then accepted posts on a private Colehill Facebook group which we feel is not democratic.

Despite its survey yielding a two thirds majority (including Facebook opinions) in favour of Recommendation 14, as supported by the overwhelming majority in Furzehill, CPC voted unanimously to oppose it and submit a new proposal that has not previously been submitted to public opinion.

This concedes acceptance that the bulk of Furzehill should be united within a single parish (Holt) but retains within Colehill Parish an area between the south-eastern end of Smugglers Lane and Dogdean.

The new proposal was opposed strongly by those members of the public who spoke in the limited time allowed at the start of the meeting only and no vote of the public attendees was taken. We have set out our reasons for opposing it as an additional comment to the [FRA Committee's response to Recommendation 14](#), which you can find at the link.

If you have not already submitted your views to Dorset Council's [second and final CGR consultation](#), you still have time to do so as it closes at midnight on Monday 23 May.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

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Secretary  
Furzehill Residents Association