

COLEHILL PARISH COUNCIL

RESPONSE TO DORSET COUNCIL COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OCTOBER 2021 – Part 2

Colehill Parish Council resolved on 30th September 2021 to submit the following submission to the Dorset Council Community Governance Review...

2 - To combine the existing three Colehill wards as soon as the parliamentary constituencies allow

- Colehill currently has three parish wards, Colehill West, Colehill East & Colehill Hayes.
- The Colehill Hayes ward is currently a legal necessity as the area lies in a different parliamentary constituency to the rest of the parish.
- The <u>boundary commission proposals for 2023</u> are to move all of Colehill into a single constituency. If these proposals are implemented there will be no legal requirement to maintain wards.
- The three existing wards do not align with different community identities, and for all practical purposes, other than elections, we currently operate as if the wards didn't exist.
- It is suggested that the three wards be combined into one as soon as possible after the boundary changes, preferably prior to the parish council elections due in 2024.

