

## PARISH OF DAWLEY HAMLETS

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**Held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

**7.00 p.m. at Horsehay Village Hall**

In the Chair: - Cllr. Andy Chetwood ( Chairman of the Parish Council)

Present: Cllrs. R. Haire, G. Onions and R. Pritchard.  
Cllr. J. A. Dixon (Borough Councillor)  
Four Borough Youth Workers and six young residents of the Parish.  
Three members of the Britannia Historical Society.  
Mr. M. Goldstraw - Clerk to the meeting.

#### **7.00 p.m.**

##### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Gibson and Mrs D. Chetwood.  
Apologies were also received from Borough Councillors Cllr. P. Davis, Cllr. Mrs S Davis, Cllr. T. Hope and Cllr. R. Sloan .  
Apologies were received from the Beat Manager PC Claire Walker-Shale.

##### **2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2005 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

##### **3. Presentation of the Annual Report of the Parish Council**

Cllr. Chetwood reported a successful year stating that Council had taken on a number of successful projects which included the installation of a quite splendid Lych Gate at the entrance to the Parish War Memorial site, publication of a number of Newsletters to keep the Parish informed of the activities of Council and the replacement of another rather tired wooden bus shelter with a brick built one.

The Chairman reported that he was saddened by the Borough Councils response to various problems the people of the parish had; he outlined the feelings residents of the parish had over plans for the development of the Town Park and he asked for transparency in any public consultations; it was felt that if the Borough were open and let the people of the Borough know their intentions they would have less difficulty.

##### **4. Report from the Governor of Aqueduct Primary School**

Cllr. Chetwood was pleased to report that the school had had a successful year and had the league tables produced by the Local Education Authority had

shown this to be so.

Cllr. Chetwood reported that the long serving Head Teacher of the school, Miss Beryl Mound, had left to take early retirement. Miss Mound had been a very successful and popular Head Teacher and Cllr. Chetwood stated that he had been pleased to have been able to make a presentation to her, from the Parish Council, during the year. The meeting heard that the school was for the time being under the direction of the Deputy Head Teacher until the new Head, Mr. Mark Waddams, took the reins in the new term.

5. **Presentation of the findings of the Parish Sponsored Youth Provision survey**

Four Borough Council Youth Workers and six young residents of the Parish presented to the meeting the findings of a Parish wide Youth Survey. The presentation was made by way of a DVD filmed and directed by the youth of the parish.

The Chairman of the Meeting asked those present if they could have any youth facility in the area of Horsehay what would they like and the unanimous answer was a youth shelter which they could and would use to meet and shelter from the rain and snow.

The Chairman of the Meeting promised to put their request before the Parish Council.

The young residents of the parish also expressed concern, and brought to the attention of the meeting, that the last bus returning to the area from the Town Centre was 3:30 p.m., a time which was no use to those who wanted an evening out at the skating rink or bowling.

The meeting was informed that during the weeks following the meeting, the Borough Council would be providing a youth bus which would continue to be made available once every three weeks or so during the summer months.

***7:34 p.m. the youth workers and the young residents of the parish left the meeting.***

6. **Borough Cllrs Report**

Cllr. Dixon stated that he had been impressed and heartened by the presentation given by the young people.

Cllr. Dixon reported on the Lightmoor development, possible improvements to the facilities provided by the Golf Club, proposed development at Doseley by Enstone Johnstone and the implications of that development on jobs in the area, possible development at the old concrete works Lightmoor and the possible impact on traffic following a recent application to develop the old brick works site.

Cllr. Dixon informed the meeting that he had “called in” the Town Park matter and the Borough would have to justify their position.

Cllr. Haire raised concerns over the impact of the proposals on the historical features of the town park. He requested that the sites have their integrity protected.

Cllr. Dixon was pleased to report that the street names for the Lightmoor development would be of a more local nature than had originally been proposed.

The Chairman of the meeting thanked Cllr. Dixon for his report and also thanked Cllrs Dixon and Hope for their regular attendance at parish Council meetings.

7. **Report from Local Organisations**

There were no reports.

8. **Local Policing Report**

There was no report.

9. **Resolutions**

There were no resolutions.

10. **Questions**

There being no questions on matters of importance to the Parish Meeting, the Chairman called upon Cllr. Raymond Haire to present, on behalf of the Parish Council, a Community Award to Mr. Peter Walker for his work on behalf of the Community.

Cllr. Haire presented Mr Walker with a sterling silver presentation Millennium medal.

There being no further business the meeting was formally closed at 7.58 p.m.

**Signed.....**  
**Chairman of the Parish Meeting**

**Date.....**