

PARISH OF DAWLEY HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Held on Wednesday 22nd April 2009
7.00 p.m. at Horsehay Village Hall

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

Present: Cllrs. R. Haire, L. Gough, B. Onions, G. Onions and T. Swain.
Mr M. Goldstraw (Clerk)

7.00 p.m.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr. G. King (who had informed the Clerk that she may be delayed but would attend as soon as possible) and PC Claire Walker-Shale.

2. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 23rd April 2008 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

7:02p.m. Cllr. Mollett joined the meeting.

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

Cllr. Chetwood presented the annual report of the Council and reported that plans for the senior citizens summer picnic were well underway and that there had been a positive response. The Clerk confirmed that there had been 51 guest applications.

Cllr Chetwood felt that the Parish Council had had a busy and successful year; he thanked the Clerk and Members of Council for their assistance during the year.

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

Cllr. Chetwood was pleased to report that the school had once again had a successful year but stated that due to pressures of work and other commitments he wished to stand down as school governor; he asked if there was anyone present who would like to take on the roll (subject to approval by the governing body). Cllr. Linda Gough expressed an interest.

7:04p.m. Cllr. J. Lovett joined the meeting.

7:05p.m. Cllr. Geraldine King joined the meeting.

7:06p.m. Cllr. Tracy Hope joined the meeting.

5. **Borough Cllrs Report**

Cllr. Mollett gave a general summary of Borough Council activities and answered a number of questions.

7:09p.m. Cllr. Hickie joined the meeting.

Cllr. Mollett responded to a number of questions relating to the Parish Charter and its conditions with particular reference to a lack of response to requests to repair the Aqueduct.

A number of Borough matters were discussed.

7:17p.m. Cllrs Hope and Mollett left the meeting after being thanked by the Chairman.

6. Report from Local Organisations

Horsehay Horticultural Society

Cllr. Beryl Onions presented a report on the activities of Horsehay Horticultural Society and took the opportunity to thank the Parish Council, on behalf of the Committee, for the regular sponsorship of the annual show. The meeting heard that the last show had been an outstanding success with more entrants including younger people with some entries coming from as far away as Wolverhampton. The show had been well attended and had been an excellent day.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Beryl Onions for her report.

Horsehay Village Hall

Cllr. Tansy Swain gave a report on the activities of the Village Hall Committee and reported that the committee were still looking for a bookings secretary.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Tansy Swain for her report.

Aqueduct Historical Society

Cllr. R. Haire reported that the society's book on the Church of St. James had been accepted by The Churches Trust and that a draft of "The Aqueduct Leaflet" had been produced.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Haire for his report.

7. Local Policing Report

There was no police report.

8. Resolutions

There were no resolutions.

9. Questions

There were no questions as the Chairman had allowed questions at relevant points during the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was formally closed at 7.22 p.m.

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

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