

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 23rd January 2008 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr. A. Chetwood (Chairman)
Cllrs. R. Haire, A. Hickie, Mrs. B. Onions, G. Onions, Geraldine King
and Tansy Swain.

Mr M. Goldstraw (Clerk)

Also Present: Cllr. Vic Tonks (Borough Councillor)
PC Claire Walker-Shale

07/97 APOLOGIES

Apologies and reasons for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs.
Jodie Brothwood and Bev Walker.

With the consent of the meeting, the Chairman re-arranged the agenda to take the
Police Session followed by the Public Session and then the approval of the Minutes.

07/98 POLICE SESSION

PC Walker-Shale presented her police report to the meeting along with a report
of the PACT meeting recently held.

PC Walker-Shale suggested that there ought to be liaison between the Police,
the Parish Council and Bournville Trust in matters relating to Traffic and
Community Safety. It was agreed that PC Walker-Shale should contact the
Chairman to arrange a meeting.

PC Walker-Shale answered a number of questions.

The meeting was thanked by PC Walker-Shale for agreeing to sponsor a police
vehicle which was now scheduled to be delivered in March.

The Clerk informed the meeting that Council had received a £500 contribution
towards the sponsorship from The Wrekin Housing Trust and a letter of thanks
had been sent.

7.29 p.m. PC Walker-Shale left the meeting after being thanked by the Chairman.

07/99 Public Session

There being no members of the public present, the Chairman invited Cllr.
Tonks to give a Borough report. Cllr. Tonks gave a report on the proposed
regeneration of Dawley which, although outside the parish, would have an
impact upon it.

The meeting discussed the future of Horsehay Golf Club.

Cllr. Haire reported that the road at the bottom of Southall was still continually
flooded. It was accepted that the matter had been reported on a number of
previous occasions – Cllr. Tonks agreed to take the matter up with Borough

engineers.

Cllr G. Onions reported flooding at Bridge Road.

The Chairman requested that the now worn road hatching outside the golf club be reinstated as it presented a hazard to traffic attempting to turn right.

The Chairman suggested that there be an informal liaison meeting with GDPC in regard to the proposed Dawley Regeneration.

7.40 p.m. After being thanked for his attendance, Cllr. Tonks left the meeting.

07/100 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2007 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

07/101 Borough Council Budget Consultation

Members received a Borough questionnaire from the Clerk and were invited to respond.

07/102 Community Initiatives

a) Provision of youth facilities

Members agreed that they felt let down following the recent poor advice received from the Borough and that the Borough now appeared to have backed away from any responsibility towards the provision of youth facilities in the parish. It was felt that any future initiatives should be left to the Borough to bring to the Parish.

b) Land at Aqueduct School

The meeting heard that the Clerk had ordered the book "Getting Greens Registered".

07/103 Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Committee meeting

There were no minutes to receive as the December planning meeting had been part of the main Council meeting.

07/104 Accounts

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS - It was **RESOLVED** that these be approved and paid as tabled.

STATEMENT 190 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

Additional Payment of £72.00 to Horsehay Village Hall (rent) was approved.

07/105 Correspondence

Dpt. Com & Loc Gvt

Consultation on orders and regulations relating to the conduct of local authority members in England. The Clerk was asked to keep the document on file.

T&WC	Crucial Crew – grant application. The Clerk was asked to bring the application to the March meeting of Council when grants were to be considered.
BVT	Invitation to a residents drop-in day. Cllr. Tansy Swain agreed to attend to represent the Parish Council.
T&WC	Code of Conduct Training DVD – noted.
T&WC	Introducing Community Services – noted.
SALC	Dates of Training sessions – noted.
T&WC	Melvyn Humphries – Parish Boundaries.

7.55 p.m. Borough Councillor Adrian Williams joined the meeting.

The Chairman gave a report on the success of the Parish Christmas meal and complimented the Borough catering team led by Mary Davis stating that they had done a sterling job.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Adrian Williams. The meeting discussed the parish application for adjustment of its boundary. The meeting agreed to wait until the Borough had full powers under the transfer.

The meeting discussed Stoney Hill Tip and the tests carried out in regard to the application to build the school at Lightmoor.

8.06 p.m. Borough Councillor Ellen Williams joined the meeting.

07/106 Newsletter

The Clerk explained to the meeting that because it had been impossible to gain timely delivery of the Newsletter prior to Christmas a decision had been taken to cancel the printing of the Christmas newsletter. The Clerk stated that the newsletter would be changed to a New Year edition.

07/107 SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Proposed by Cllr. G. Onions; seconded by Cllr. Chetwood it was:
RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business which was confidential and may disclose exempt information.

Clerk's Salary and Travel Allowance

Proposed by Cllr. Chetwood and seconded by Cllr. Haire it was
RESOLVED that that the rates of pay and recommended car allowance from 1st April 2007 as set out in the agreement reached by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services and endorsed by both the National Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks be

formally adopted and paid to the Clerk back dated to the month of April 2007.

07/108 Date of next meeting Wednesday 20th February 2008 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.11 p.m.

**Signed.....
Chairman**

Date.....