

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 21st July 2004 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr. A. Chetwood (Chairman)
Cllrs. G. Onions, R. Haire, A. Hickie, J. Lees, R. Pritchard
and Mrs. D. Wallis.
Mr M. Goldstraw (Clerk)

In attendance.

David Wall (Borough CSO Manager)
Inspector Keith Howes (West Mercia Constabulary)
There were no members of the public present.

PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public were present.

POLICE SESSION

Apologies were received from PC Nicholls

Presentation - Community Safety Officers

The Chairman introduced Mr. David Wall and Inspector Keith Howes who gave a presentation on the use and successes of Community Safety Officers. Members were informed that there are currently 26 Officers within the Borough and details of their work along with the costs of the project were given. The meeting was informed that the project was to be extended and individual parishes would be offered the opportunity to fund their own exclusive CSO at an approximate cost of £21'000 (plus a one off training cost of £1'300). The meeting further heard that it would be possible for parishes to share the costs and services of an officer.

Mr. Wall and Inspector Howes answered questions from members and then having been thanked by the Chairman, on behalf of Council, left the meeting at 8.34 p.m.

04/91 APOLOGIES

Apologies along with the reason for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Gibson.

04/92 Minutes of the previous meeting

The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd June 2004** were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman informed Members that owing to time constraints he would make changes to the agenda and bring the item which was to be dealt with last to this point on the agenda.

SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business which is confidential and may disclose exempt information.

[There were no members of the public present.]

04/93 Land at The Mount

Possible provision of fencing

Cllr. Chetwood outlined possible proposals to fence land at the mount (by the Borough). Members discussed the possibility of part funding the project as a catalyst to ensure the project took place. Members **RESOLVED** to write to the Borough to suggest that the Parish may consider a contribution to the project subject to reasonable cost and also subject to formal approval by Council. The resolution was passed without committing Council to any action other than exploring possibilities.

RESOLVED that the press and public be readmitted to the meeting.

[There were no press or members of the public present.]

The Chairman reported that he had spoken to Sue Skwerblies (Borough Youth Services Officer) about Youth Provision and had been informed that Dawley Youth Club was open two nights a week and the cost of one extra night a week would be approximately £3'500 for 12 months of the year. The Chairman suggested to members that if it could be ascertained that GDPC might be willing to contribute £1'500 a year then DHPC may wish to contribute £1'500 and the Borough may contribute £500.

Members agreed to place the matter on the agenda to allow a correct proposal to be put.

04/94 Parking Chapel Lane

Cllr. Hickie outlined the difficulties residents of Chapel Lane were having since the demolition of garages and development of the site. Due to the lateness of the meeting, Members agreed to place the matter on the Planning & Environmental Committee agenda for more detailed discussion.

04/95 Street Signs

Members agreed that street signs were the responsibility of the Borough. **RESOLVED** to order a NO THROUGH ROAD sign for Chapel Lane.

04/96 Community Projects

Children's Slide - Aqueduct Play Area

The Clerk reported that the Borough Officer had given an approximate cost of £3'500 for a children's slide and had stated that he would need to investigate the safety aspects of the site prior to moving the proposal forward.

Resolved to await the report of the Borough Officer.

04/97 Planning & Environmental Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th June 2004 were received.

04/98 Countryside Officer's Report

Cllr. Hickie reported that he was pleased to see an increasing use by dog owners of both leads on their dogs and doggy bags by their dogs.

04/99 Accounts

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

STATEMENT 147 was tabled along with the reconciliation's and was approved.

Audit Report

The Clerk presented the report of the Internal Auditor. Members thanked the Clerk for guiding Council through the Audit.

Grants

The following Grants were considered:

Britannia Historical Society

Cllr. Lees proposed that a grant of £200 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Pritchard. **RESOLVED** that a grant of £200 be made. [Cllrs. Haire, Hickie and Mrs. Wallis took no part in the debate and did not vote]

Young Peoples Support Scheme

Proposed by Cllr. Chetwood that a grant of £50 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Onions. It was **RESOLVED** that a grant of £50 be made.

Horsehay Horticultural Society

RESOLVED to grant £750 to Horsehay Horticultural Society. [Cllr. Onions took no part in the debate and did not vote]

Shropshire & Mid Wales Hospice

RESOLVED to grant £200 to the Shropshire & Mid Wales Hospice.

04/100 Any Other Items of Information

Cllr. Lees asked about progress on the Newsletter.

Cllr. Onions reported that the traffic sign at the top of Woodhouse Lane pointing to Doseley Industrial Estate was not helping the traffic problems.

Cllr. Pritchard reported concerns over noise pollution from Johnstone's Pipes.

04/101 Date of next meeting Wednesday 21st July 2004 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7. 15 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.

**Signed.....
Chairman**

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