

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 20th July 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

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

Also Present: Cllr. J.A. Dixon and Cllr. T. J. Hope (Borough Cllrs)

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Mrs. Chetwood to the Parish Council. Cllr. Mrs. Chetwood, who had signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the commencement of the meeting, took her seat at Council.

PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman invited the two Borough Members to speak.

Cllr. Dixon informed members that he had made representation to the Borough in the matter of the consultation over the naming of streets for the Lightmoor development [it was noted by the meeting that the Parish Council had not been consulted by the Borough]. Cllr. Dixon gave a detailed account of the proposals which included each phase of the development and proposed that the streets be named after the worlds tree population. Cllr. Dixon stated that whilst he was content with the proposals in phase one to use the names of British trees he was uncomfortable with many of the unpronounceable names of “foreign” trees proposed for the remaining phases. He was disappointed that there had been no consideration for any possible names taken from the history of the area itself.

Cllr. Lees requested that consideration be given to one of the new streets being named after a recently retired Parish Councillor ; former Councillor Alan Jeffs who had been a parish councillor since the formation of the Council (and had been the driving force behind its formation) and had devoted his entire tenure of over ten years to the protection of the environment and the encouragement of sympathetic growth. Members agreed that this suggestion should be put forward if the Parish is given a say in the naming of streets on the new development.

Cllr. Dixon then gave details of the Telford & Wrekin Senior Citizens Forum.

Cllr. Hope spoke of the reinstatement of the road markings in Bridge Road.

Cllrs. Dixon and Hope were thanked by the meeting for their liaison with Council.

POLICE SESSION

No Police Officer was present.

The Clerk reported that he had sent a letter of appreciation of the services of PC Taylor to her supervising officer and an acknowledgement had been received.

05/083 APOLOGIES

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

05/084 Minutes of the previous meeting

The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th June 2005** were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

05/085 Grants

Cllr. Onions declared a personal interest in Horsehay Methodist Church and elected to take no part in the grant consideration for the Church.

Horsehay Methodist Church

Proposed by Cllr. Haire that a grant of £200 be made to Horsehay Methodist Church; seconded by Cllr. Pritchard, it was RESOLVED that a grant of £200 be made.

Doseley Fun Day

Proposed by Cllr. Hickie that a grant of £100 be made to Doseley Fun Day; seconded by Cllr. Chetwood, it was RESOLVED that a grant of £100 be made.

05/086 Illegal and inconsiderate parking in the Parish

Members discussed the feedback received from residents of Foresters Close presented by Cllrs. Onions and Pritchard. There being no apparent will from the residents to back any enforcement of illegal parking in the area it was RESOLVED to take no action.

05/087 Quality Parish Council and Parish Plan

Members discussed the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and it was agreed to discuss the matter at the September meeting when Mr. Kinnell was to attend to answer any questions members had on the quest to attain quality status and the benefits thereof.

05/088 Community Projects

Youth provision in the parish

The meeting was informed that Alistair James had met with Andy Brown and Mark Davis to discuss the proposals and it was suggested that the actual face to face youth sessions start on September 14th and go right through to November 30th with a total of 12 detached youth sessions. This work would identify “hot spots” for young people and initially target Little Dawley, Horsehay and aqueduct. There would then be a report given to Council. The estimated cost of this fact finding project was thought to be in the region of £700.

Cllr. Lees proposed that the funding for this project be approved by Council;

seconded by Cllr. Haire, it was RESOLVED that funding be approved.

05/089 Planning & Environmental Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th June 2005 were received.

05/090 Countryside Officer's Report

a) Wild Flower Meadow

There was no progress to report: Members heard that arrangements had been made to grass the meadow but the work would not take place until the cooler weather of the autumn to avoid the necessity to continually water during the summer heat.

b) Doseley Church Yard

The Clerk reported that a reply had been received from the Diocese and Council was now awaiting details of any request for assistance from the local parish committee.

Cllr. Hickie reported continuing concerns over the neglect of the pools by the Borough. Concern was also expressed over the condition of the area at old Southall Road under the aqueduct where the banks were overgrown and unsafe. The Clerk was asked to get the parish handyman to have a look at the area to see if it could be easily tidied up.

The meeting heard that there was a perceived problem with youths gathering at the site of a bench in Aqueduct Village and a request was made to inform the Beat manager. The Clerk stated that it was hoped that the research which would be undertaken by the youth outreach workers would highlight any such problems and provide possible solutions.

7.59 p.m. The two Borough Councillors left the meeting.

05/091 Accounts

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

STATEMENT 159 was tabled along with the reconciliation's and was approved.

Budget Meeting

Members agreed to hold a budget meeting on Monday 10th October.

Members approved the Audit and agreed the asset register.

Payment of a further £5.00 was approved to T&WBC as additional payment for the planning application (lych gate).

Members discussed the response received from Shropshire Newspapers which maintained that the newsletters had been delivered. It was RESOLVED to pay the outstanding invoice but inform Shropshire Newspapers that Council were no longer confident with their services and would in future be seeking alternative delivery arrangements for the newsletter.

05/092 Correspondence

BT&W	Local Development Plan - Cllr. Lees.
BT&W	Code of Conduct Register - Members agreed to provide updated information to the Clerk.
Crimestoppers	Information bulletin - noted.
Bournville Trust	Newsletter summer 2005 - circulated.
H/Hay Horti Soc	Thanks for Grant.

05/093 Any Other Items of Information

Cllr. Lees asked if any members of Council were intending to attend the NALC Conference - no members were able to attend.

Members discussed the current road works on Bridge Road.
Members discussed the threats of telephone masts currently before the Borough and their lack of a policy at present.

The Chairman reported concerns over a resident who was suffering vandalism to her vehicle. It was agreed that the matter should be reported to the beat manager.

05/094 Date of next meeting Wednesday 28th September 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7. 15 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.32 p.m.

**Signed.....
Chairman**

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