

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 25th June 2003 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. A. Chetwood - Chairman
Cllrs. G. Onions, R. Haire, A. Hickie, and A. Jeffs.
Clerk - Mr. M.S.J. Goldstraw.

In attendance

WPC Vicky Nicholls

There were no members of the public present

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present

POLICE SESSION

WPC Nicholls apologised for being unable to attend the previous meeting of Council owing to operational duties.

A report was given on her attending to matters relating to complaints in the area covered by the Beth Johnson Housing Association. A police surgery was to be set up in the area and details would be advertised in the Shropshire Star.

Members discussed the problems of motor cycle scramblers in the vicinity of Fylingdales Drive. Cllr. Jeffs reported use of a quad bike in Frame Lane. The Chairman pointed out that wherever such a vehicle was used "off road" either on a school field (without permission) or other land, the user must have travelled unlawfully between the field and his home. WPC Nicholls reassured the meeting that should anyone be caught using a vehicle unlawfully they would be reported for prosecution.

WPC Nicholls gave a report on the latest crime statistics in the area.

Cllr. Haire asked for clarification as to what type of crime would illicit a police response and what crime was merely counted as a statistic without any effort to investigate or respond. WPC Nicholls stated that to the best of her knowledge, burglary and break ins to domestic property including garages attached to houses would always be investigated. Break ins to garages and outbuildings which were not attached to a house would not bring an officer out to investigate. Members were of the view that a car break in would also not raise a response from an officer.

Cllr. Onions requested that the police continue with their regime of speed checks in the parish. WPC Nicholls gave a report on a recent police initiative to crack down on unlawful vehicles which involved all agencies including the police, DVLA and T&WC. A number of illegal vehicles had been confiscated and crushed.

Members discussed the noise nuisance on the Doseley industrial estate along with the criteria for the issuance of HGV Operating Licences.

7.55 p.m. The Chairman thanked WPC Nicholls for her attendance and she left the meeting.

03/60 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. D. Gibson and Cllr. Mrs. D. Wallis.

03/61 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12th May 2003
The Minutes were confirmed and signed as a true record.

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03/62 Clerks report on items pending
Wild Flower Meadow

Cllr. Jeffs requested that a gate be put onto the side entrance of the meadow to prevent access from vehicles. Members agreed to fund a gate out of the Village improvement fund.
The Clerk was asked to instruct the gardener/handyman to weed the memorial.

03/63 Co-option of Members to the Parish Council

The Clerk reported that there had been one applicant for co-option to Council. The applicant being Mr. John R. Lees of Malory Drive Aqueduct.
The Clerk advised that as the deadline had been passed with only one applicant, there being two vacancies, then the applicant was deemed to be co-opted (by way of being the unopposed).

Members discussed the need for one more co-opted Member and resolved to endeavour to fill the outstanding office by the next meeting.

The Clerk stated that he would be pleased to inform Cllr. Lees of his appointment and forward the necessary declaration forms along with minutes and agenda etc. for the next meeting.

03/64 To appoint a governor to Aqueduct County Primary School

Members heard that the Chairman of Governors of the School had written to request that Cllr. Chetwood be considered to fill the position as his past work as a governor of the school had been most appreciated by all.
Cllr. Hickie proposed that Cllr. Chetwood be approved as governor of Aqueduct School. Seconded by Cllr. Jeffs, it was **resolved that Cllr. Chetwood be appointed as governor of Aqueduct School.**

03/65 Request for a Street Light in Broadstone Mews Aqueduct

Members were informed that Council had received a request for assistance in obtaining a street light in Broadstone Mews. Members were unclear as to the status of the road (it was felt that it could be an unadopted road) and also had no indication as to the views of the residents as a whole. The Clerk was asked to write to all residents of the Mews to ascertain their views prior to any further action.

03/66 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meetings held on 3rd April 2003 and 21st May 2003, previously circulated. The minutes were received.

03/67 Countryside Officers Report

There was no report.

03/68 RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS- It was **RESOLVED:** that these be approved and paid as tabled.

Members approved the payment of Hall Rental of Seventy Two Pounds to Horsehay Village Hall.

STATEMENT 134 was tabled along with the reconciliations and was approved.

03/69 CORRESPONDENCE

Horsehay Hort Soc.	The Secretary of the Society, Mrs. Glen Jeffs wrote to thank Council for the sponsorship without which the society could not survive. The letter informed Members of the success of the previous years show and the secretary hoped that Members would be able to attend this years show which would be held on Saturday 30 th August at 3 p.m.
T&WC	Invitation to seminar Sat 21 st June - noted. Drugs Awareness Day Tuesday 1 st July - noted.
DEFRA	Quality Parish Council Scheme - The Chairman noted the report and asked the Clerk to maintain it on file for such time as Council enjoyed full Membership.
SALC	Training for new Councillors Thursday 19 th June. - noted.

03/70 ANY OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Cllr. Hickie reminded the Clerk that Members had not yet received details of the contact details for T&WC.

Members discussed an out of parish traffic matter.

Members discussed the difficulties arising from traffic building up at peak times from Woodside. The Clerk was asked to contact WPC Micky Riggs over the matter.

Cllr. Haire asked if weeds and shrubs growing on the Tub Boat Bridge could be attended to before they damage the structure. The Clerk agreed to instruct the gardener/handyman to attend to it along with the work required at the war memorial site.

Cllr. Onions asked if T&WC could be reminded that they have yet to attend to the broken and damaged sign at Foresters Close.

03/71 Date of next meeting Wednesday 16th July 2003 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8. 39 p.m.

Signed _____

Date