

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 23rd March 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

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

PUBLIC SESSION

There were seven members of the public present.

The Chairman introduced members of Council to the public and was informed that those present were residents of Brick Kiln Lane who wished to make representations to Council about the proposed development of the old brickworks. The main concern being the proposed access and egress via Brick Kiln Lane and the environmental impact of the scale of the development.

7.38 p.m. Cllr. Hickie joined the meeting.

Having listened to the representations made by the public and following a discussion by Members it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should make the following representation to the Borough:

Planning application W2005/0226 Proposed residential development including formation of access and associated engineering works (outline). Former Ibstock Brickworks off Brick Kiln Bank Park Lane Lightmoor.

“Dawley Hamlets Parish Council has a number of concerns over the above application which seeks to provide 97 residential dwellings. Our main concern is the opening up of Brick Kiln Lane to the traffic of the development. This is a quiet lane and in our view entirely unsuitable to such an increase in traffic.

We would see this application as an opportunity to acquire developer funding to solve the problems we have previously highlighted to Mr. Neal Roderick traffic engineer with vehicles attempting to turn right, in the face of oncoming traffic, from the Ironbridge bypass into Lightmoor Road. If the entrance and exit from this site could be by way of a traffic island at or near the original brickworks entrance on the bypass with the island also serving as an access point to Lightmoor Road it would serve to slow down the fast moving traffic on the by pass, make the otherwise unsafe right turn into Lightmoor Road safe, allay the fears of the residents of Brick Kiln Bank about their own safety and peaceful way of life and provide the necessary developer funding which would otherwise be unavailable. It is essential in our view that this matter is discussed with Traffic Management Officers with a view to assisting in the resolution of the wider traffic problems in the area.

We also have concerns over the surrounding designated wildlife sites and it is our view that insufficient heed has been taken of the environmental impact of such a dense development on these sites. We would ask that you require a more in-depth study in co-operation with The Shropshire Wildlife Trust and that the developer be

required to enter into a section 106 agreement to compensate for any possible disruption to wildlife highlighted by such a study.

Planning application W2005/0222 Erection of a care home, including formation of access and associated engineering works (outline). Former Ibstock Brickworks off Brick Kiln Bank Park Lane Lightmoor.

Our concerns for this development are identical to those highlighted above in relation to the wild life survey and in this matter also we feel that not enough heed has been taken of the environmental impact. Part of this development is within a designated wildlife site and we ask that a more in-depth study is undertaken in co-operation with The Shropshire Wildlife Trust and if necessary a suitable section 106 agreement entered into to compensate for any loss.”

8.07 p.m. the public left the meeting having been first thanked by the Chairman for their attendance. Cllr. Chetwood made it clear that they would also need to lobby their Borough Councillors with their concerns.

POLICE SESSION

No police officers were present.

05/027 APOLOGIES

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

05/028 Minutes of the previous meeting

The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd February 2005** were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

05/029 Risk Assessment

The Clerk agreed to do a draft risk assessment for approval by Council.

05/030 Grants

Members gave consideration to the following Grant Applications:

Wrekin Star Judo Club

Proposed by Cllr. Pritchard that a grant of £200 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Onions. It was RESOLVED.

T&W Senior Citizens Forum

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

Horsehay Amateur Dramatics Society

Proposed by Cllr. Haire that a grant of £200 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Gibson. It was RESOLVED.

Wrekin Special Swimming Club

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

05/031 Quality Parish Council and Parish Plan

Members felt that they would like to hear of the experiences on other councils who had already taken the step and the Clerk was asked to attempt to arrange for a talk from the Clerk or Member of another Council who had attained quality status.

05/032 Community Projects

Aqueduct Play Area

There was nothing to report.

Youth Provision

There was nothing to report.

Lych Gate

The Clerk reported that there had been some “to-ing and fro-ing” between himself and planning officers to clarify some points but it was hoped that the application was now proceeding.

05/033 Annual Parish Meeting

The Clerk confirmed that notices were in hand.

05/034 Planning & Environmental Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2005 were received.

05/035 Countryside Officer’s Report

Cllr. Hickie informed the meeting that the Clerk had delivered to him the replacement “Bridgnorth Road” sign and that it would be installed at the weekend.

Cllr. Hickie gave a progress report on the development of Chapel Lane.

05/036 Accounts

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

STATEMENT 154 was tabled along with the reconciliation’s and was approved.

05/037 Correspondence

STROWP

Parish Pump

Home Office

Agenda and Minutes - noted.

Circulated.

Burial Ground Survey - Resolved to take no action.

BT&W	Off Road Parking Chapel Lane - copy of letter to Mr. Wallis - Noted.
BT&W	Ethical Standards Issues - noted.
BT&W	Local Transport Plan - Cllr. Pritchard.
BT&W	Local Transport Plan Workshop 12 th May - Cllr. Pritchard agreed to attend.
CPRE	Fieldwork Magazine - Cllr. Hickie.

05/038 Any Other Items of Information

Cllr. Chetwood presented a report forwarded to him by Dave Wall on the activities of the area CSO's (Community Support Officers). Cllr. Pritchard agreed to study the document.

Cllr. Haire reported on the activities of the Britannia Historical Society.

Cllr. Pritchard reported mud on the road at Spring Village.

Cllr. Onions asked for (and received) a list of the dates for forthcoming meetings.

05/039 Date of next meeting Wednesday 23rd March 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7. 15 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.36 p.m.

**Signed.....
Chairman**

Date.....