

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 22nd March 2006 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

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

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

POLICE SESSION

The meeting received apologies from PC Vicky Wade. PC Wade had notified Council that a new beat officer would shortly be in place from 1st April - PC Clair Walker-Shale.

05/148 APOLOGIES

Apologies along with the reason for absence were received from Cllr. Mrs D. Chetwood, Cllr. D. Gibson and Cllr. R. Pritchard.

05/149 Minutes of the previous meeting

The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd February 2006** were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

05/150 Notification of two vacancies due to resignation of Members

The Chairman informed the meeting that due to the resignations of Cllr. Lucinda Robinson and Cllr. John Lees two casual vacancies had occurred in the office of Councillor for the Aqueduct Parish Ward. Members were reminded that the vacancies would be filled by election if, within fourteen days of the date of notice, any ten local government electors for the said parish/ward of the parish submit a written request to the Returning Officer and that if no written request for an election is received by the Returning Officer within the time specified, the vacancies will be filled by co-option by the Parish Council.

The Clerk was asked to publish the relevant notices.

05/151 Possible provision of Christmas Party for the elderly of the Parish

The Chairman informed the meeting that an estimated cost of providing a meal at a Christmas Party would be £5 - £7 per head. Members discussed the possibility of providing a Christmas party for the elderly of the Parish and it was agreed that an advertisement should be placed in the Parish magazine to ascertain the level of support within the Parish. Members felt that less than thirty expressions of interest would make any project not viable. It was agreed that there would be no transport provided.

Members discussed the likely cost of renting facilities at the Village Hall and it was agreed that the normal fees were acceptable. Cllr. Onions was asked to ascertain room availability.

The Clerk agreed to ascertain the viability of such a project via the Parish Magazine.

05/152 Liaison with Bournville Trust and the Lightmoor Project

It was agreed Mr. Bob Gibbons of BVT should be invited to a meeting of Council to provide an update on the project.

05/153 Emergency Procedures within the Parish

The Clerk informed the meeting that Cllr. Pritchard had asked that this item be placed on the agenda. Cllr. Pritchard not being present it was agreed to defer the matter to a subsequent meeting.

05/154 Planning & Environmental Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th February 2006 were received.

Members discussed recent newspaper reports which gave the impression that an extra 37 acres of land were to be added to the Town Park. Members felt that this may be simply a reclassification of land that is already available to the public. The Clerk was asked to contact Becky Eade for clarification.

05/156 Accounts

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

STATEMENT 168 was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

The Clerk informed the meeting that interest in the sum of £4840.29 had been received from the Halifax BOS and that all interest was now received gross of tax.

PENSION PROVISION

Members were appraised of the Consultation on Statement of Investment Principles and Governance Policy Statement.

GRANTS

Members considered the following Grant:

Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership. Proposed by Cllr. Haire that a grant the requested sum of £50 be made. Seconded by Cllr. Hickie it was **RESOLVED**.

05/157 Correspondence

BT&W

Walkabout Wrekin Leaflet - distributed.

