

**DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL**  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

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

Also Present: Ellie Gormely Traffic Management Officer T&WBC  
Cllr. Dixon Borough member

**PUBLIC SESSION**

There were no members of the public present.

**POLICE SESSION**

There was no police officer present.

**05/114 APOLOGIES**

Apologies along with the reason for absence were received from Cllr. Mrs D. Chetwood.

**05/115 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2005** were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**05/116 Traffic Management**

Ms. Gormely presented the Borough traffic strategy to members.  
Members presented a number of concerns to Ms. Gormely.

*7.44 p.m. after being thanked by the Chairman Ms. Gormely left the meeting.*

**05/117 Request for Financial Assistance with Doseley Church Yard**

The Clerk reported that Council had received notification from the PCC that it intended to close St. Luke's Churchyard. The Clerk informed the meeting that the notification had been incorrectly served as it had referred to the Borough as the Local Authority whereas under the provisions of section 215 of the 1972 Act, the term Local Authority refers to a Parish Council where one exists. Therefore the notice should have been served on the Parish Council in the first instance and not the Borough. The Clerk informed the meeting that the Parish could, if it wished, take on the responsibility (not ownership) for a closed burial ground but could refuse. Should the Parish refuse, the Borough had to take on the responsibility.

The Chairman suggested that Members give themselves time to consider

whether they wished to take on the responsibility of maintaining a closed burial ground and then discuss their views at the next meeting. The suggestion was accepted and it was **RESOLVED** to place the notice of closure on the next agenda for discussion.

#### **05/118 Planning & Environmental Committee**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2005 were received.

#### **05/119 Accounts**

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

**STATEMENT 164** was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved.

#### **05/120 Correspondence**

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| T&WBC           | Warrant for Parish Precept - Council signed the warrant to request a NIL precept.   |
| STROWP          | Heritage Project - request for support in application for grant funding. Council resolved to support the initiative and STROWPS application for grant funding.  |
| T&WBC           | Derek Owen Outdoor Recreations Officer - confirmation of receipt of quote in the sum of £708 plus VAT for a local contractor to construct and install two long arm basket ball posts at Aqueduct Ball Court. Having already approved an expenditure of up to £1000, it was resolved to accept the quote and authorise the work. |
| Mrs. V. J. Dunn | Letter asking the Parish Council to support the appointment of Mrs. Bev Walker to the Borough Committee to review telecommunications masts - resolved to support the appointment.   |
| Regional Gvt.   | Black Country report - Cllr. Lees   |
| Madeley PC      | Invitation to attend the switching on of Madeley Christmas Lights - Cllr. Onions kindly volunteered to represent Council.   |

#### **05/121 Newsletter**

The Clerk produced a draft copy of the newsletter; it was felt that owing to difficulties in obtaining a suitable delivery agent it would be impossible to meet a deadline for a Christmas edition and therefore it would be more sensible to aim for a new year edition.

The Chairman informed the meeting that through a casual conversation with a resident within the Parish of Great Dawley it had become apparent that the reason why parishioners of Dawley Hamlets had not received the newsletter was because they had been delivered to the Great Dawley area!  
The Clerk agreed to inform the distribution manager of Shropshire Newspapers.

The Clerk was thanked for producing the draft newsletter - members agreed to investigate methods of distribution.

**05/122 Date of next meeting Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2005 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7. 15 p.m.**

Cllr. Hickie thanked all those who met with the Borough Lighting Officer at the Aqueduct at a recent site meeting and informed members that he wished to discuss the STROWP funding at the next Planning Meeting.

Cllr. Dixon informed the meeting that the ownership (lease) of Pool at Spring Village was now with Telford Angling Association and he agreed to speak to the association about the upkeep of the pool. Cllr. Dixon was thanked for his assistance.

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.22 p.m.**

Signed.....

**Chairman**

Date.....