

**DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL**  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.15 p.m.

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**PRESENT** Cllr. A. Chetwood (Chairman)  
Cllrs. Linda Gough, R. Haire, Geraldine King, J. Lovett, G. Onions,  
Beryl Onions and Tansy Swain.

Mr M. Goldstraw (Clerk)

**Also Present:** Kath Hughes (BVT)  
1 member of the public

**09/74 Apologies**

No apologies were received.

**09/75 Public Session**

At the Chairman's invitation Mrs Hughes, Resident Development Officer, Bournville Trust, gave a report on the Lightmoor development including the building of the new school and the provisional appointment of governors. Mrs. Hughes stated that The Trust had been pleased to support the sponsorship of the police vehicle.

The meeting heard that Bournville had allocated land on its development for the provision of allotments and that Woodlands Park was now open to the public.

Following the conclusion of the presentation Mrs. Hughes was thanked by the Chairman, on behalf of council, for the contribution Bournville had provided towards the sponsorship of a police vehicle.

***7:20 p.m. Mrs Hughes and the member of the public left the meeting.***

**09/76 Police Session**

The meeting received apologies from PC Emily Atkinson who was on operational duties.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the parish had a second beat officer, PC Rebecca Dunn, who covered the area on Sundays and Mondays.

Cllr. Linda Gough gave a PACT report. The Chairman spoke a need for the police to understand that they needed to respond to calls and not just log them.

The meeting discussed a general lack of youth provision in the area. It was agreed to invite an officer of the Borough to attend a future meeting.

It was reported that the police had publicised the fact that they checking for instances of the sale of alcohol and fireworks to underage purchasers.

**09/77 Minutes of the previous meeting**

**The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2009** were approved as

a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**09/78 Audit Report**

The Clerk confirmed that the annual audit had been completed and that the external auditor had reported no matters giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements had not been met.

In other matters not affecting the opinion of the external auditors a recommendation had been made that community assets could be recorded at a nominal value of one pound rather than being given a nil value. Having considered this recommendation, and being mindful of the fact that in previous years the opposite opinion had been received by council, it was resolved to take no action on this minor point which did not affect the conclusion of the audit.

The Clerk was thanked for his work in completing the audit.

**09/79 Possible land for allotments – Spring Village**

The meeting discussed the suitability of a possible use for land adjacent to the Playground at Spring Village as allotments. The Clerk was asked to attempt to ascertain the ownership of the land so that enquiries could be made.

**09/80 Aqueduct – former community centre building**

The meeting heard that the former community centre building at Aqueduct was no longer in use. Following discussion it was resolved that a request should be put to the Borough that the building should be used as a youth club.

**09/81 Newsletter and distribution**

The Clerk reported that the newsletter was in the process of being printed. Following discussion it was agreed that, in addition to the voluntary distribution of the newsletter in the parish, two local distributors could be paid £20 each to supplement the delivery areas not covered by volunteers.

**09/82 Parish activities**

**Aqueduct Youth Group**

The meeting received a written report from PCSO Sarah Robinson on the activities provided at the opening of the newly refurbished play area at Aqueduct. The Chairman reported that he had presented 15 children with book tokens to the value of £5 each (from his Chairman's Allowance) as a reward for their enthusiasm and hard work in supporting PCSO Sarah Robinson in parish youth work.

**Senior Citizens Christmas Party**

The meeting discussed the organisation of the day.

**09/83 Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Committee meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 were received.

**09/84 Accounts**

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

**STATEMENT 209 (Yorkshire Bank)** was tabled along with the reconciliation and was approved – closing statement.

**STATEMENTS 1, 2, 3 & 4 ( Royal Bank of Scotland)** along with reconciliations were tabled and approved.

**National Pay and Allowance Award 2009**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the National Pay and Allowance Award for 2009.

**09/85 Correspondence**

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Letter of thanks for sponsorship of Horsehay Flower, Vegitable and Craft Show which was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August. The letter reported that the show continues to grow year upon year.

SALC

Annual General Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> December – noted.

T&WC

Motion regarding services at princess Royal Hospital – Resolved to support the motion.

**09/86 Date of next meeting to be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7. 15 p.m.**

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:07 p.m.**

**Signed.....**  
**Chairman**

**Date.....**