

**DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2003 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. G. Onions, R. Haire, A. Hickie, J. Lees, Mrs. L. Robinson and Mrs D. Wallis.  
Clerk - Mr. M.S.J. Goldstraw.

**In attendance**

There was one member of the public present

*In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr. Raymond Haire (Chairman of the Planning & Environmental Committee) was asked by the meeting to take the Chair.*

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Concerns were raised over some overgrown hedges (private houses) within areas of the parish.

**POLICE SESSION**

WPC Nicholls had forwarded apologies in advance.

**03/83 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr. A. Chetwood who gave an acceptable reason.  
The apology was therefore accepted by the meeting.

**03/84 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2003**

**The Minutes were confirmed and signed as a true record.**

*[A typing error was corrected 03/78 "refuge" should be "refuse"]*

**03/85 Clerks report on items pending**

Maintenance Doseley Church Yard

Members discussed the maintenance of the Church yard and the Clerk was asked to investigate the value for money the council was receiving for the work.

Bus Shelter (proposed) Little Dawley

The Clerk informed the meeting that he was to meet on site with Kevin Price of the Borough Council to ascertain the viability of the site.

**03/86 Vacancy in the Office of Parish Councillor**

The Chairman formally announced that owing to the resignation of Cllr. Jeffs a vacancy had occurred.  
The Clerk confirmed that he would post the necessary notices and inform the Returning Officer of the vacancy.

**03/87 Parish Boundary**

The Clerk informed the meeting that Cllr. Chetwood had requested that the matter be placed on the agenda and it was understood that he wished to ensure that all members were appraise of the actual physical boundaries of the parish and desired that they be walked. Members agreed to leave the matter on the agenda for Cllr. Chetwood to put forward when he is present. The Clerk agreed to obtain copies

of maps showing the parish boundaries.

**03/88 Lightmoor Development**

Cllr. Haire presented a report on behalf of Cllr. Chetwood giving details of his attendance at the launch of the project at the Botanical Gardens in Birmingham.

The Clerk was asked to invite officers of BVT and English Partnerships to present a report to Council at a meeting.

**03/89 Footway Lighting within the Parish**

Members discussed the adequacy of the lighting provision in Malory Drive. It was resolved to take no action.

**03/90 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

To receive the minutes of the meetings held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2003 and 4<sup>th</sup> August 2003, previously circulated. The minutes were received.

**03/91 Countryside Officers Report**

There was no Countryside Officers Report.

**03/92 RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS-** It was **RESOLVED:** that these be approved and paid as tabled.

**STATEMENT 136** was tabled along with the reconciliations and was approved.

**03/93 CORRESPONDENCE**

BT&W Revised Parish Charter - Members considered the Charter and it was agreed that they would study it in greater detail and forward comments to the Clerk.

BT&W Application to divert footpath FP247 (The Unicorn Inn) Little Dawley  
Members considered the application and it was resolved to support the applicant.

EP & BVT Design Guidance and Illustrative Master Plan for Lightmoor - received.  
Electoral Com Pilot evaluation of The Borough Postal elections - the meeting heard that the trials had been an unqualified success.

Standards Board Guidance - received.  
Home Office Bogus Callers Guidance Leaflet - circulated.

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Regional Assembly Planning for the future newsletter - Members were puzzled that a document purporting to come from the Regional Assembly could be circulated when there had been no legislation as yet to institute such an authority !

BT&W Annual Progress Report - received.

SALC Report of Policy Meeting

T&W Com Trust Thanks for grant letter.

**03/94 ANY OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

- Cllr. Hickie - Referred to Cllr. Jeffs comments on Parish Office at the last Planning meeting and requested that the matter of consideration for the provision of a Parish Office be placed on the next agenda.
- Cllr. Lees - Requested that in consideration for the sterling service given to the community by Cllr. Jeffs, a street be named after him. Members were delighted with the proposition and it was unanimously agreed that a request should be placed before the Borough council at the first opportunity to name a road or street after Cllr. Jeffs. Given Cllr. Jeffs fondness for the countryside, trees and woodlands, members felt that “Alan Jeffs Coppice” would be most appropriate.
- Reported that a bollard on the corner of Southall Road and Castlefields Road had been knocked down. Reported a damaged manhole cover adjacent to post box at Southfield. Reported litter around the trees at back of Malory Drive.
- Cllr. Mrs. Robinson - Requested that the Parish Council asks the Borough to relocate the grit bin on Chapel Lane to a more appropriate location.
- Cllr. Mrs. Wallis - Reported that the paint was peeling from the railings on the aqueduct.
- Cllr. Onions - Reported ongoing concerns over speeding within the parish.

**03/95 Date of next meeting Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2003 at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Date