

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the above committee held on Monday 4th November 2002
at Horsehay Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr. A. Jeffs (Chairman)

Cllrs. A. Chetwood, R. Haire, A. Hickie, G. Onions
and R. Pritchard.

Mr M. Goldstraw (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

02/124 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. Sue Woodvine, Chairman of Council and
Cllr. Gibson.

02/125 STROWP

Cllr. Jeffs gave a report on the current activities of STROWP including plans to
link a number of existing rights of way into a large route to be known as the
South Telford Way. Members approved the proposed design for way markers
on the route.

Members discussed the unauthorised use of some rights of way by motorcycles.
It was felt that barriers could not be placed in situ as this would create
problems of access for users of wheelchairs and pushchairs.

Members heard that T&WC had responded to the proposed STROWP
constitution with some reservations. The matter would be discussed at the next
STROWP meeting.

02/126 The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2002 were approved as
a true record and signed by the Chairman.

02/127 Items Pending

Wild Flower Meadow

The meeting was informed that the contract gardener had promised to weed
the shrubs on the border of the war memorial in good time for the
Remembrance Day service. Cllr. Jeffs stated that by the look of the site, the
work had in fact been carried out already.

Memorial Plaques

The Clerk informed the meeting that the a replica of the St. Paul's War
Memorial Plaque had been ordered.

02/128 Lightmoor Development

The Clerk informed the meeting that although the matter had been determined (approved) by T&WC, it would now firstly be referred to the T&WC Policy Committee and would then be presented to the Secretary of State for final approval. The Council had not yet received any official notification of the determination and so had no details as to the substance of the permission. Members expressed some disquiet over press reports that approval had been given to 1000 houses on the site. the Clerk reassured members that the application had not been for such a large number and any permission would be based upon the application. It was accepted that the press report was little more than “headline grabbing” and had no substance in fact.

02/129 Village Improvements

a) Grounds maintenance within the parish

Cllr. Hickie raised concern over fallen leaves on footpaths and verges in the parish. Members discussed the possibility of hiring a leaf sweeper at appropriate times during the year.

Cllr. Chetwood asked members to be aware that if some central areas of the parish were cleared, there would be an expectation from residents of other areas that theirs should also be swept. Cllr. Hickie stated that he would like to see the whole parish attended to.

Cllr. Chetwood was concerned that any such action by the parish would be double taxation.

The Clerk reminded members that the council had in the past explored the possibility of hiring a rubbish sweeper from Great Dawley Parish Council to clear rubbish from the main centres of the parish but had decided that it was too expensive.

The Clerk was asked to look into the costs of such an exercise.

02/130 Traffic Matters

Cllr. Haire reported that a resident had written some time ago to T&WC requesting a pedestrian refuge on Castlefields Way at the particularly difficult junction with Southall Road but had not yet received a definitive answer on the matter. The reply had stated that the matter would be investigated.

The Clerk was asked to see if any investigation had taken place and if so, what any conclusion had been.

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The meeting was informed that T&WC had been made aware of the councils choice of calming. There had as yet been no further contact on the matter.

02/131 Bus Shelters

Cllr. Jeffs asked if members would give consideration to the replacement of the old wooden shelter on Horsehay Flats with a brick built one.

Cllr. Chetwood asked if it could first be checked out whether or not the bus route would be affected by the now approved Lightmoor development. Members agreed that subject to there being no plans to alter the bus route, the shelter should be replaced. The Clerk agreed to check any proposed changes of bus route and report back to council prior to instructing the builder.

02/132 Correspondence

- a) CPRE Voice.
- b) CPRE Landscapes magazine.
- c) T&WC - response to the STROWP Constitution.
- d) Ramblers Association Minutes and Agenda.
- e) Gorge PC - copy of letter to T&WC asking for an update on progress.

02/133 Planning Applications

The following applications were received:

W02/1153 Erection of conservatory to rear of existing property 6 Foel Aqueduct. There were no objections.

W02/1148 Demolition of existing 2 storey side extension, conservatory, outbuilding and chimney breast and erection of 2 storey and single storey side extension with conservatory and replacement of existing lounge patio door with new. 1 New Row, Horsehay. Members were concerned that there was a proposal to demolish the outbuilding at this property. The row was of historical importance and the outbuilding was an important part of that history. The building is in a conservation area and it was felt that rather than be demolished for no reason, the outbuilding could/should be renovated as part of the character of the property. The Clerk was asked to object to the proposed demolition of the outbuilding.

W02/1097 Proposed 2 storey side extension 56 Fellows Close. There were no objections.

W02/1086 Erection of 2 storey side extension Coniston House Farm Lane Horsehay. There were no objections.

The following permissions were noted:

W02/1074 Erection of conservatory to rear. 19 Willows Bank, Aqueduct. There were no objections.

W02/0084 Erection of 8 detached dwellings with associated garages and construction of vehicular access and estate road - land at Coalmore Road and A5223 Horsehay.

W02/1010 Erection of first floor extension 62 Gittens Drive Aqueduct.
There were no objections.

W02/0869 Erection of 1 pair of garages 13 and 14 Pool View Horsehay
(Listed Building Consent)

W02/0868 Erection of 1 pair of garages 13 and 14 Pool View Horsehay
(Planning Consent)
There were no refusals.

02/134 Countryside Officers Report
There was no report.

02/135 Other Items of Information
Members discussed the representation of the Parish Council at the
forthcoming Remembrance Day Service, Little Dawley Church. It was agreed
that a donation of £50 should be made to the Church.

The Clerk was asked to report to T&WC an uncut hedge at Horsehay Common
and request action be taken to replace/repair/clean many of the road signs
within the parish which required remedial attention.

02/136 Date of next meeting 2nd December 2002 at Horsehay Village Hall at
7.30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.42 p.m.

Signed..... Date.....
Chairman