

PARISH OF DAWLEY HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Held on Wednesday 18th April 2018
7.00 p.m. at Horsehay Village Hall

In the Chair: - Cllr. A. Burford (Chairman of the Parish Meeting)

PRESENT Cllrs. B. Cooke, D. Hopkins, B Onions, J Pinter, A. Scott, and B. Wennington.

Also Present: Mrs K Ewence (Clerk)
One member of the public.

7.00 p.m.

1. The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and explained the reason for and format of the Annual Parish Meeting.
2. **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Cllr. C Tranter and Borough Councillors J Greenaway and R Mehta.
3. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19th April 2017**
Cllr. Onions proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th April 2017 as a true record, this was seconded by Cllr. Pinter and **RESOLVED** by the Meeting. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.
4. **Chairman and Parish Councillors Reports**
The Chairman explained that in advance of the meeting Councillors were asked to prepare a short verbal or written report covering what they as parish councillors considered to be the most significant achievements of the parish council over the last 12 months and the most important current and/or future issues facing the Parish Council, the presentations should last six minutes maximum in total.

The Chairman began with a brief summary of all the main issues by saying that Dawley Hamlets is a small Parish Council which he considers to be 'punching above its weight'.

Achievements: PET, Horsehay Pool/Bridge Road Development and £70,000 grant funding, PCSO, Gardening Scheme, Telford@50 Picture Gallery, Blue Plaques, Summer and Christmas Events. Addressing issues e.g. Rights of Way, Farm Lane, traffic calming, un-adopted road in Spring Village. Aqueduct parking, Corbet Close, War Memorial maintenance. Grants to support groups and the Horsehay Horticultural

Club sponsorship. The website, Facebook and notice boards.
Current/Future Issues: Horsehay Pool/Bridge Road Development, children's activities and the proposed local nature reserves.

Cllr. Cooke:

Significant Achievements: significant uptake of social media.

Current/Future Issues: monitoring and developing social media.

Cllr. Pinter:

Significant Achievements: introduction of speed humps on Holly Road, PET.

Current/Future Issues: rapid housing development.

Cllr. Scott:

Cllr. Scott agreed with the achievements and issues raised and said that it was a pleasure to be associated with the Council and all its achievements.

Cllr. Onions:

Significant Achievements: PET.

Current/Future Issues: speeding particularly in Horsehay and Lightmoor and the future of the PET team.

Cllr. Hopkins:

Cllr. Hopkins said he found the Council to be well run, it did good work for the Parish and engaged well with the community. It was financially sound, had a successful audit and a hard-working Clerk.

Significant Achievements: Blue plaques. PET, Horsehay Pool/Bridge Road development, DMMO Right of Way, un-adopted road in Spring Village and local nature reserves.

Current/Future Issues: Horsehay Pool/Bridge Road development, DMMO Right of Way, un-adopted road in Spring Village. The PET, gardening scheme, parish survey questionnaire, new website and engaging with new developments and managing their impact e.g. Doseley. Cllr. Hopkins also provided a brief update at the meeting regarding the DMMO and the planning application for the gate.

Cllr. Wennington:

Significant Achievements: The newsletter which he said had improved in quality and now reaches more residents, PET, parking at Chapel Lane, new noticeboards.

Current/Future Issues: local nature reserves, interaction with local schools.

5. **Borough Cllrs Report:**

Cllr. Mehta:

The Chairman reported that Cllr. Mehta had been particularly impressed with the responsiveness of T&W Council snow clearing this Winter and the Horsehay Pool/Bridge Road development.

Cllr. Greenaway:

Cllr. Greenaway submitted her report in advance of the meeting and this was circulated (Annex A).

6. Reports from Local Organisations

Cllr. Mrs. Onions gave a report on the activities of Horsehay Horticultural Society and the success of the Annual Show (Annex B).

7. Local Policing Report

There was no report but the ICM/PCSO will be a standing item on the Parish Council meeting agenda from May 2018 onwards.

8. Resolutions

There were no resolutions. At this point the Chairman asked the member of the public if he had anything he wanted to raise or add. The member of the public stated his current concerns were the site of the now closed All Labour in Vain Public House, traffic calming and the pressure the area was under due to development especially in Doseley and Lightmoor.

There being no further business the meeting was formally closed at 7:40 p.m.

**Signed.....
Chairman of the Parish Meeting**

Date.....

Annex A

Cllr. J Greenaway - Annual Parish Report Wednesday 18th April 2018

Borough Councillors Report to Dawley Hamlets Parish Council.

- This year has been a busy one with many contentious issues within the parish. The ongoing development at Farm Lane has resulted in many hundreds of complaints about enforcement, on issues such as drainage, boundaries, and planning conditions. Working more closely with parish councillors we have held a substantial number of site and formal meetings with planners, and compliance officers.
- Throughout the year there has been ongoing local concern regarding the rights of way and the retrospective planning permission at Adamson House which we fought and overturned. Followed by the publication of the DMMO and recent full planning application in relation to Horsehay Court.

We may not have achieved what we had hoped but have strengthened a closer working relationship to better represent residents.

The PET have been very active, and I would like to thank them. It has been commented on by residents who have seen a vast improvement in environmental maintenance.

The formation of The Friends of Horsehay Pool and Environs and future improvements and funding for The Old Road area, together with the recently adopted Horsehay and Spring Village Conservation Area Management Plan should ensure that we see continued improvements and benefit in the parish. I look forward to the year ahead with the many projects which are beginning to take shape.

- In the coming months we will see the outcome of the DMMO and we will need to work together to ensure best outcomes on this application.
- The future of PETs is unsure with the new Grounds and Cleansing contracts up for review which may affect many parishes.
- The Doseley Pipework's site (DWH), variation of conditions, which is still outstanding will be coming forward. I believe that this could have a major impact on highways, affecting residents in St Luke's, Frame Lane and Woodhouse Lane. Currently there is a great deal of uncertainty as what the outcome may be.

Farm Lane Update. Recent work has taken place to directional drill the new sewer for Farm Lane Development. This work began ahead of the LA notice and without notification to residents. Concerns were raised about the manner in which this work was progressing. Holes were dug without the required shoring leaving it unsafe for pedestrians, attempts were made to 'find' major

services without required mapping. No road closure notices were applied for although some residents were not able to access property. A last-minute Emergency Road Closure Notice was issued by LA and the work was not completed in time. There were three breaches of conditions, together with unsafe working, and damage. I have discussed with Highways officers about my concerns on reinstatement of the road surface and that the developer should be held to account for the breaches and have contacted the LA solicitor to take steps against them, as all evidence has been provided by residents and photographs taken by TWC officers.

Cllr Jayne Greenaway
Ward Member for Horsehay & Lightmoor

Annex B

Issued separately.