

**DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024 at Horsehay Village Hall**  
**at 7.00pm**

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**PRESENT:** Cllrs. K Barnes (arrived 7.18pm), S Heighway, I Preece, R Mehta and S Wennington

**Also Present:** Two members of the public  
K Ewence (Clerk)

**23/127 Welcome and Introductions**

The Clerk informed the meeting that both the Chair and Vice-Chair were absent from the meeting and invited nominations for a Chair from the floor. Cllr. Heighway nominated Cllr. Mehta and Cllr. Mehta was unanimously elected. The elected Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed them of the lovely news of the arrival of Cllr. Parkers baby daughter Rose, it was agreed that the Clerk would arrange a bouquet of flowers to be sent to Cllr. Parker on behalf of the Parish Council.

**23/128 Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs. L Parker, Z Hannington, M Rogers and B Wennington

**23/129 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests**

Cllr. S Heighway – GDTC and Madeley TC

Cllr. R Mehta - GDTC

Cllr. I Preece – GDTC

**23/130 Public Session**

There were no matters raised at this session.

**23/131 Minutes of the Previous Council Meeting**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 as a true record.

**23/132 Councillors Reports**

**Cllr. Preece:**

- Cllrs Mehta and Preece and the local residents group working with T&WC to improve safety on Lightmoor Road
- Avon Close, Little Dawley, drains are now unblocked
- Horsehay & Lightmoor Borough Councillors Pride Fund money has been allocated for pot hole repairs in Spring Village
- Idverde have commenced their Spring maintenance programme cutting hedges and bushes in the Parish
- Police working with T&WC to combat speeding on Wellington Road and the surrounding Horsehay roads

**Cllr. Mehta:**

- T&WC are taking a tougher stance on prosecuting fly-tippers

**23/133 Community Action Team (CAT)**

- a) The updated action plan for January 2024 and a new action plan for February 2024 were circulated to Councillors in advance of the meeting and the contents were noted. The Clerk informed the meeting that patrols of Bloomfield Crescent,

Doseley, had been added to the action plan in response to recent reports of ASB advised by PC Sam Bertie.

b) Engagement sessions planned for 2024:

- The Neighbourhood Enforcement Engagement Van will be parked on the Little Dawley Pools car park at 11am on Wednesday 28th February for 1 hour.
- This year's CAT walkabout (aka Day of Action) will take place on Wednesday 19th June 10am – 12 noon starting off from the Little Dawley Pools car park.
- PC Brittain had emailed the Parish Council to ask if we would like the police to hold a 'pop in' surgery in the Parish. Councillors were keen and had suggested two locations, Horsehay Village Hall car park and the pharmacy car park on Majestic Way in Aqueduct at the end of the school day, we have asked for surgeries at both locations and we are waiting further information

**23/134 Updates From Local Nature Reserve Friends Groups in the Parish**

Cllr, B Wennington issued a report for Dawley Hamlets LNR in advance of the meeting which was circulated to Councillors and presented at the meeting by Cllr. S Wennington, it included:

- A lot of falling trees over the winter which have been dealt with by T&WC
- Plants and trees starting to grow and there are grebes on both the Furnace and the Sump pools
- The walkway is still too flooded to use
- The Wednesday group has returned to help keep the woods tidy but are now the Tuesday group, funding from the Friends Group has enabled the project to keep going
- Soon there will be some more new fishing pegs on the Wide Waters

There were no further reports.

**23/135 2024 Gardening Scheme**

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

**23/136 DHPC Benches**

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

**23/137 Newsletter SS2024**

This newsletter was discussed and it was **RESOLVED** that arrangements will remain the same as for the last newsletter, SJF Print & Design will produce the newsletter and D Shinton will distribute it. The Clerk will circulate a list of newsletter contents to Councillors for approval.

**23/138 Planning Applications:**

a) **The meeting considered the following applications:**

Application or enforcement number	Appeal number	Site Address	Description of proposal	▲ Date consultation received	▲ Reply by date
TWC/2024/0135	N/A	5 Frame Lane, Doseley, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 3BQ	Erection of a single storey rear extension	20/02/2024	12/03/2024
TWC/2023/0797	N/A	Aqueduct Surgery, Majestic Way, Aqueduct, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 3RB	Change of use from doctors surgery (Use Class E) to supported accommodation consisting of 5 no. self-contained flats (Sui Generis) together with associated internal and external alterations (Part-Retrospective) *****amended planning statement received*****	15/02/2024	07/03/2024
TWC/2024/0099	N/A	Gable House, Pool View, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2ND	Reduction of lower limb on South and East side by up to 4m to 1no. Oak tree (T1) and Crown reduction by up to 3.5m to 1no. Birch tree (T2)	08/02/2024	29/02/2024
TWC/2023/0714	N/A	Land off, Buildwas Bank (North of Silvertrees, Jiggers Bank), Coalbrookdale, Telford, Shropshire	Erection of a battery energy storage system including access track, CCTV and light poles, car parking spaces, perimeter fencing and gates, and associated infrastructure ***Amended Plans Received***	07/02/2024	21/02/2024
TWC/2024/0082	N/A	11 William Ball Drive, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2SQ	Crown reduction by up to 4m to 2no. Beech trees (T1 & T2) and 1no. Maple tree (T3)	01/02/2024	22/02/2024

#### **TWC/2023/0797:**

The Parish Council had previously objected to this application and called it in to be heard at the LPA planning meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that Councillors would study the new application and decide whether they still had objections and would like to call it in, if they do the Clerk will make these arrangements.

#### **ENF/2023/0352:**

The Parish Council had received an enforcement appeal notice for 113 Holly Road, Little Dawley. It was **RESOLVED** that Councillors would study the appeal notice and forward comments to the Clerk who will formulate a response if one is required.

#### **Cllr. Barnes arrived at 7.18pm**

##### **b) The following permission was noted:**

##### Tree in Conservation Area Granted:

TWC/2024/0043 - 4 Spring Village, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2LY  
Felling of 1no. Willow tree (T2)

#### **23/139 Finance & Administration:**

##### **a) Budget Monitoring Report & Bank Reconciliation Statement**

The Parish Council was asked to consider the latest budget monitoring report

and bank reconciliation statement together with the latest bank statements which were circulated to all Councillors in advance of the meeting.

**RESOLVED** – to approve the budget monitoring report and bank reconciliation statement.

**b) List of Payments Presented for Approval:**

The Parish Council was asked to consider the following on-line payments presented for approval and payment including payments approved in advance for December:

Payee/Reason	Payt Method	Date	Net	VAT	Total
Staff Costs - Feb 2024	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	1,393.83	0.00	1,393.83
HMRC Tax & NI - Feb 2024	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	262.18	0.00	262.18
SCC Pension Fund - Feb 2024	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	407.55	0.00	407.55
Web Orchard - Website Hosting	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	250.00	50.00	300.00
Election Costs May 2023 (Aqueduct and Little Dawley Wards)	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	7,137.00	0.00	7,137.00
JD Magic - Summer event entertainment deposit	Bank Transfer	21 February 2024	50.00	0.00	50.00
			<b>9,500.56</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>9,550.56</b>

**RESOLVED** - to approve these payments.

**23/140 Correspondence**  
None

**23/141 Items for the Next Agenda**

- Senior Residents gardening scheme 2024
- DHPC benches

**23/142 Date of the next meeting – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7pm at Aqueduct Primary School.**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.22pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman