

DAWLEY HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 16th April 2025 at Horsehay Village Hall
at 7.44pm (after the Annual Parish Meeting)

PRESENT: Cllr. B Wennington (Chair)
Cllrs. Z Hannington, R Mehta, M Rogers and S Wennington
Also Present: Frank Curry – Friends of Dawley Hamlets LNR
Graham Bould – Friends of Dawley Park
Dawley Community Allotments - Sally Warville & Liz Pinfield-Wells
K Ewence (Clerk)

24/162 Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

24/163 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. K Barnes and I Preece

24/164 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

Cllr. Hannington - GDTC, L&OPC, T&W Borough Cllr for Lawley, Cabinet Member for Finance, Governance & Customer Services

Cllr. Mehta - GDTC, T&W Interfaith Council, T&W Borough Cllr for Horsehay & Lightmoor

Chair – Friends of DHLNR

24/165 Public Session

Mr Curry enquired on the progress of his request for T&WC to move the speed indicator sign on Castlefields Way, Aqueduct, further up the road by the pedestrian crossing. The Clerk will follow this up.

Mr Curry enquired about the new bus stop which was promised by T&WC on Castlefields Way in the direction of Dawley. The Chair said that Dylan Lawson, T&WC Public Transport Officer, had confirmed that funding is available and they are waiting on the Highways Team.

Mr Bould highlighted his concern over the anticipated noise from off-road bikes near to Mendip Close, Little Dawley, which occurs over the summer months. The matter was discussed and Mr Bould said that Sunday afternoons were a popular time, the Chair said that the Parish Council neighbourhood enforcement officers patrol the relevant areas in the Parish but not at weekends, Mr Bould was advised to keep a diary of occurrences and inform the local police.

24/166 Minutes of the Previous Council Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th March 2025 as a true record.

24/167 Councillors Reports

Most Councillors referred to the reports given at the APM meeting which was held immediately before this meeting.

Cllr. Rogers:

- reported that a resident in the Nightingale Walk ward had concerns about trees overhanging her property, the Clerk will follow this up

- reported concerns of litter in the Nightingale Walk ward, the Chair said that these should be reported on the MyTelford app and that the new maintenance operative will also carry out regular litter picks
- requested an id badge, the Clerk said that she is in the process of acquiring some

24/168 Community Action Team (CAT)

The neighbourhood enforcement updated action plan for March 2025 and a new action plan for April 2025 were circulated to Councillors in advance of the meeting and the contents were noted.

The Clerk explained that there would not be a similar monthly report from the new public realm maintenance operative, however, all councillors have been sent a copy of his work plan and if Councillors would like any tasks added to please contact her.

24/169 Telford & Wrekin Local Plan

The Chair explained that residents and stakeholders have been invited to respond to the final review of the Local Plan before it is submitted for independent examination on the 5th May 2025. The matter was discussed and it was **RESOLVED** to resubmit the Parish Council's original response.

24/170 Grant Awarding and Crucial Crew Funding

The details of three grant applications were circulated in advance of the meeting. Graham Bould from the Friends of Dawley Park and Sally Warville & Liz Pinfield-Wells from the Dawley Community Allotments were present at the meeting and all three applications were discussed. It was **RESOLVED** to award the following:

- Friends of Dawley Park £300 for running costs of the group and herb seeds/plants
- Dawley Community Allotments £300 for a picnic bench and compost bin for a new community garden at Pool Hill House
- Telford Steam Railway £300 towards the cost of the windows and the roof of the signal box (this grant is subject to submission of a copy of the latest bank statement and audited accounts)

It was also **RESOLVED** to support the Crucial Crew multi-agency partnership event aimed at Year 6 students designed to provide them with life skills and knowledge that will help to keep themselves and others safe, both now and in the future. The cost for this is £4 per student that goes towards the cost of the transport and it was agreed that we would support the 40 children in Year 6 at Aqueduct primary School at a total cost for them to take part of £160.

At 8.07pm Cllr. Harrington, Cllr. Mehta (Cllr. Mehta rejoined the meeting at 8.14pm), Mr. Curry, Mr. Bould, Ms. Warville & Ms. Pinfield-Wells all left the meeting.

24/171 Planning

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/2025/0237	N/A	2 St Johns Walk, Lawley Village, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2FT	Installation and replacement of all existing timber windows and doors with UPVC windows and doors	31/03/2025	23/04/2025

b) The following permissions were noted:

Full Granted:

Application number	TWC/2025/0063
Site address	Spring House, 17 Spring Village, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2LU
Description of proposal	Conversion of existing garage to 1no. annexe for ancillary use
Application number	TWC/2025/0080
Site address	4 Clydesdale Drive, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 3UB
Description of proposal	Erection of a two storey side extension
Application number	TWC/2024/0697
Site address	Barns rear of 28 Woodhouse Lane, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire
Description of proposal	Conversion of 2no. barns to 2no. dwellings ****AMENDED RED LINE BOUNDARY**** ****AMENDED PLANS RECEIVED****

Listed Building Granted:

Application number	TWC/2025/0103
Site address	24 Pool View, Horsehay, Telford, Shropshire, TF4 2ND
Description of proposal	Repair and rebuild of 1no. chimney on the side elevation

The Chair informed the meeting that although he was pleased to hear that planning application TWC/2025/0136 52 dwellings on site of former Metal & Waste Recycling, The Old Smithy, Lightmoor Road, had been withdrawn he was displeased that the development further down the road at Chapel Green had been allowed to go ahead considering it suffers from the same lack of facilities, accessibility and road safety issues. It was **RESOLVED** that the Chair would write to the planning authority on behalf of the Parish Council regarding this matter.

24/172 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 which was circulated in advance of the meeting.

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

b) List of Payments Presented for Approval:

The Council was asked to consider the following on-line payments presented for approval in advance of the meeting:

Payee/Reason	Payt Method	Date	Net	VAT	Total
Staff Costs	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	1,438.56	0.00	1,438.56
HMRC Tax & NI	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	331.87	0.00	331.87
SCC Pension Fund	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	493.50	0.00	493.50
Reimbursement Cllr B Wennington for Easter Eggs	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	220.83	44.17	265.00
SJF Design & Print - S/S 2025 Newsletter design and print	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	308.00	0.00	308.00
SALC - Affiliation Fees	Bank Transfer	16 April 2025	2,451.17	0.00	2,451.17
			5,243.93	44.17	5,288.10

RESOLVED - to approve these payments.

- 24/173** The Parish Council has received a request from Adrian Corney, T&WC Environment & Neighbourhood Team Leader, to cover the shortfall for funding the cost of the floating eco-Island which will shortly be installed in Horsehay Pool, it was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would fund the shortfall of £335 from the reserves set aside for Horsehay Pool and Simpsons Pool LNR.

The Parish Council has received a request from Severn Hospice to advertise for donations in our newsletter. Councillors discussed the request and agreed that the Parish Council does not wish to carry adverts requesting residents to give money in the newsletter.

- 24/174** **Items for the next agenda** - none

- 24/175** **Date of the next meeting** – the next meeting is the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and will be held on Wednesday the 21st May 2025 at Aqueduct Primary School

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.23pm.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Chairman