

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,  
Held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2013  
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs K Austin (Vice Chairman), Councillors Miss K Battye, J Kerr and B Tylee. Three members of the public in attendance

**1 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillor R Popplewell

**2 Declarations of interest from Councillors**

There were none

**3 Minutes of the previous meeting**

With the substitution of the word Heritage instead of Nature in item 5.3 the minutes were confirmed

**4 Matters arising from these minutes**

There were none

**5 Items from BMBC concerning Planning**

**5.1 2012/1124 Decision by BMBC Wind Turbine, Dyson Cote Farm**

The Clerk reported that as yet he had not been informed of any decision on this item

**5.2 2013/0039 Decision by BMBC Wind Turbine, Pond Farm**

The Clerk reported that as yet he had not been informed of any decision on this item

**5.3 2013/0093 Decision by BMBC Extension, Forge House, Forge Lane, S35 7DN**

The Clerk reported that as yet he had not been informed of any decision on this item

**5.4 Stoneway Mews dry-stone walls, to report on progress with BMBC**

It was noted that some improvements had been made to the walls, but members still considered them to be unsatisfactory

**5.5 2013/0233 Application, Old Saw Mill, Forge Lane, to make two doors from windows**

Members confirmed that the parish council had no comments on this application

**5.6 Stables at Holly Hall**

Councillor Tylee reported that the stables presently placed on the projected site of a barn at Holly Hall, were there only temporarily and would be moved when weather conditions allowed

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**5.7 Fox Valley Road Junction**

Members received a survey form from the developers of the old Stocksbridge Works site. It was agreed that this would be circulated and then forwarded to the developers by members

**6 Reports from the Clerk**

The following reports were received

Plantscape News	Noted	
Clerks and Councils Direct	Noted	
Online Playgrounds	Noted	
CPRE, to consider retaining membership		Agreed to continue membership
Peak and Northern change of constitution	Noted	
Audit Briefing Report	Noted	

**7 Transfer of land from Shepherd Homes to the parish council**

Councillor Tylee reported that he had spoken to the parish council solicitor stating that the parish council would not accept responsibility for any dry-stone walls that were not built to an acceptable standard.

It was noted that the wire cage protecting the pump house had been removed by Shepherd Homes despite categorical statements that this work would not be undertaken by them, and some damage has been noted. Specifically two stone slates and a section of wall. The Clerk was to request the parish council solicitor, Mr A Heseltine, to inform Shepherd Homes of this, to point out that redress would be sought and to point out again that the standard of the dry-stone walls was not acceptable. It was agreed that an independent adjudicator, such as the chairman of the local dry stone walling section of the national walling association would be acceptable.

**8 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters**

In response to a point raised by a resident, the Clerk was to contact BMBC Highways and request that they enforce the re-instatement of the grass verges damaged by Shepherd Homes

**9 To authorise the signing of orders for payment**

The following payments were authorised

HSBC Bank	Charges	£ 4.05
D Horsfall printer cartridges from Dell		£ 90.60 inc VAT £ 14.60
D Horsfall printer cartridges from Dell		£ 294.00 inc VAT £ 49.00
CPRE Membership		£ 29.00

**10 To note the receipt of Income**

The receipt of £17.00 from the Samuel Wordsworth Trust was noted

**11 Bank statements for February 2013**

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**12 Talk on Dry-stone Walling by Mr P McLeod**

It was agreed to re-schedule this talk to October 2013. Councillor Austin, Mrs B Mangham, the Clerk and Mr McLeod to sort out a suitable date

**13 Parish Plan**

In response to a question from the residents in attendance, it was explained that Councillor Popplewell was in the throes of dealing with this matter. Mr Johnston, a resident offered his services to help and this was gratefully received. The Clerk agreed to circulate a letter from Oxspring PC concerning the establishment of a parish plan in that parish. Members expressed interest in attending.

**14 Christmas Entertainment and Tea 2013**

After some discussion it was agreed that the event would be organised in 2013 as in previous years. It was noted that carers, i.e. those persons whose patients depended on them, would be eligible for an invitation. Casual visitors would be asked to contribute £5

**15 Damage to the playground equipment**

The Clerk reported that he was waiting for a response from the company that installed the playground. Mrs Bates had written to them with details. Mr Johnson reported that he had found some of the missing parts and replaced them. It was agreed that the Clerk would order the necessary parts as and when a reply was forthcoming from the company.

**16 Isle of Skye for flying model gliders**

The Clerk reported that Mr Allen had now received permission from Mr Clancy to retrieve model planes from the bank below the rampart wall. It was noted that the summer would be a trial period to see if the site was suitable, after that a formal agreement would be drawn up.

**17 Environmental Work, Well Hill and in the Delf.**

It was noted that Councillors Popplewell and Tylee and the Clerk and volunteers had undertaken the removal of sycamore saplings on Well Hill and in the Delf.

**18 Archaeological work at Tin Mill**

Councillor Tylee presented a report on the Tin Mill site. He reported that the site was indeed that of a tin mill, possibly the earliest in the country and so was of high regional importance. It was agreed that the parish council should apply for funding for the next stage of this survey, and Councillor Tylee agreed to undertake this. It was noted that there would be an opportunity for volunteers to help at various stages.

**19 Fibre optic broadband in the parish**

The Clerk reported that Stocksbridge exchange would be having fibre-optic cables fitted shortly. Hunshelf was not on the list at this time.

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**20 Hill Top Lane**

A lively discussion took place concerning the potholes on Hill Top Lane. A resident of the lane was present and suggested that the major problem was that of cars passing on the lane.

It was agreed to collate a full list of potholes in the parish after the next meeting and present them to BMBC Highways in bulk.

**21 Hunshelf Chat**

It was noted that the next issue was in preparation

**22 Minutes of committees**

There were none

**23 Questions to the Chairman or Clerk**

There were none

**24 An open session for members of the public to speak**

No person present wished to speak at this time

**25 Any minor items or items for the next agenda**

**25.1 Neville Roebuck's Archives**

Councillor Tylee reported that some of the archived material was to be held in Room B in the St John's Community Centre in Penistone. Access would be on Thursdays from 10:30 to 12:30. It was noted that it was intended to digitise the documents and then make them available on a wider basis.

**25.2 Road Closure**

Members noted that the roads round Snowden Hill would be closed for a short period to allow a road race to take place in safety.

**26 Date and time of the next Meeting**

The next meeting was confirmed for Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 7:45 p.m.

It was further agreed that the May meeting would be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May