

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

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

**1 To receive apologies for absence**

Councillor Popplewell left the meeting after item 12 and returned for item 20

**2 Declarations of interest from Councillors**

There were none

**3 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September were approved

**4 Matters arising from these minutes**

There were none

**5 Planning applications**

**5.1 Application Conversion Plashwood**

No comment

**5.2 Application Stable block at Quarry Cottage**

No comment

**5.3 5.3 Wind Turbine at Hollin Busk**

It was reported that several organisations, groups and individuals had objected to this application (In Sheffield) and that the officers of Sheffield City Council had recommended a refusal. The planning meeting was to be held on Tuesday coming and anyone able to attend was asked to do so.

**6 Other items from BMBC concerning Planning**

There were none

**7 Parish DVD**

It was agreed in principle that the parish council would produce a DVD of the parish. Councillor Popplewell agreed to co-ordinate the task, but other members were to do the necessary research. The overall cost was estimated at some £2,000 and the Clerk was asked to source some funding from Awards for All.

**8 Parish Plan**

It was reported that the parish plan, after several drafts, was being piloted by three households. It was anticipated that there would be a further revision before the plan goes public. The cost of the printing was estimated at £600 and the Clerk was asked to try to source some funds for this.

**9 Reports from the Clerk**

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| British Red Cross          | Noted        |
| Countryside Voice          | To circulate |
| Clerks and Councils Direct | Noted        |

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| Logic Equipment  | Noted  |
| Items from the circular dated 11 October                                   | Noted  |
| Electoral roll update  | Noted  |
| Letter from Mr Heseltine re land transfer                                  | Noted  |
| Letter from Wharnccliffe Estates agreeing<br>to a hydro scheme at Tin Mill | Noted  |
| Invitation to the Civic Carol Service<br>Mr and Mrs D Horsfall to attend   | Agreed |

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

There were none

**11 Parking problem on Well Hill**

Two residents asked to speak on this item. The residents complained that they had been embarrassed by the visit of a police officer who claimed that he had “been sent” by the parish council to ask them about parking on Well Hill. The residents stated that there was a problem with vehicles travelling at too high a speed though the village, and that this was a more serious concern than the parking. They stated that when alterations to the pavement and kerbs were being discussed with them by BMBC, the officer concerned had stated quite unequivocally that the parish council was aware of the meetings and never attended them. The residents went on to say that a minute of a previous meeting had named them, albeit in connection with the RIGS Site on the old quarry face. They complained that the meeting referred to had not taken place.

The parish council explained to the residents that comments had been received (particularly from drivers of large vehicles) about cars parked on the road outside Stoneway Mews obstructing the highway. However these should have been brought to the attention of all the households, and as a body we apologised to the two residents for the fact that the meeting had not taken place and that the residents had been embarrassed by the action of a police officer.

It was reported that circumstances had changed shortly after the meeting was proposed and thus the need for this meeting had evaporated. The Clerk vehemently objected to the suggestion that the parish council had been approached to be involved with the changes to the pavement layout. This should be taken in context that BMBC had recently apologised to the parish council for not involving them in discussions on this very subject.

As regards speeding, the meeting was informed that the surveillance cameras had been deployed in the village on at least two occasions and had provided evidence that speeding was not a problem at that time. The Clerk was asked to request a further session.

The Chairman pointed out that the police officer was acting unprofessionally in communicating to the residents that the parish council had told him to attend. While parish councils would appreciate the power to direct police officers, this power does not

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exist. It was incorrect that the parish council had instructed him. The complaint was made in the name of an individual.

**12 Farm Watch/Neighbourhood Watch**

Councillor Austin outlined the arrangements for an email and telephone warning system for the parish and surrounding areas. At this time, discussions were being held with Mr Jon Hallows of Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch concerning the legal aspects of the new system. Mr Hallows was to meet with Mr and Mrs Horsfall and Councillor Mrs Austin at 10:30 a.m. on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2013

**13 Environment work at Dean Head and Well Hill**

The Clerk apologised that this work not yet taken place. It was agreed that the Clerk would now approach the two residents at Dean Head most affected to explain what is to happen and to organise a working party in the next two weeks

**14 Orders for payment**

The following orders were authorised for payment

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| C Derrick              | Chat publication                | £ 87.50  |
| Hunshelf Singers       | repayment of funds              | £ 50.00  |
| Peak and Northern Subs |                                 | £ 22.50  |
| K Austin               | walling talk refreshment        | £ 79.78  |
| St Luke's Hospice      | balance of talk income          | £ 120.43 |
| D Horsfall             | wreaths for Remembrance Service | £ 34.50  |

**15 Change in the bank account to a Community Account**

Members noted that the name of the parish council bank account had changed to a Community Account. This change would see an end to the bank charges previously levied on the account.

**16 Bank balances**

Members noted the bank balances in the accounts as

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| Community Account | £ 6,923.38 |
| 14 Day Account    | £ 157.14   |

Members also scrutinised the bank statements for September and October 2013

**17 Receipt of Income**

The following income was noted

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| Wayleave                     | £ 48.59  |
| Charity Bonanza (W Horsfall) | £ 8.00   |
| Income from talk             | £ 220.43 |

**18 Repair to the Playground.**

Mr Johnson, a resident, reported that he had been in contact with the Kompan sales staff and the spare parts were due shortly. Members also received a copy of the safety report for the playground and Mr Johnson agreed to consult the Kompan staff concerning the items raised in this report

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**19 Christmas Entertainment and Tea**

Members noted that the arrangements were now in hand. Councillors Popplewell and Tylee and the Clerk were to source a tree from those in the Delf that need thinning. The three would then erect the tree in the church grounds.

**20 Paths in the Delf**

Members expressed their gratitude for the offers of help to maintain the paths in the Delf. However, it was felt that it was now necessary to undertake more radical clearing of paths. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr N Haselwood to arrange for him to trim and clear bushes etc. At the same time Mr Haselwood was to be asked if he could use some help from one of our younger parishioners who has recently achieved a Hedgelaying qualification. The Clerk was also to ascertain if the path surfaces could be cleared by machine, i.e. a mini bulldozer

**21 “You’ve got the power” Dept. of Communities and Local Government**

Members received copies of the letter from the Dept. of Communities and Local Government and were asked to follow the internet link shown before the next meeting

**22 The process of standing for election.**

Members noted that the YLCA was in the process of consulting with central government over the process of standing for election. The Clerk reported that he had written to ask for consideration of a much cheaper alternative to an election held under the auspices of the borough council as the present system is not democratic in that parish councils, not able to afford the cost of elections, arrange matters so there is never an election.

**23 Repairs to the K6 telephone box**

It was agreed that the Clerk should approach X2 Connect to ascertain the probable cost of servicing the historic KI telephone box in Green Moor

**24 Dates for meetings in 2014**

The following dates were agreed for meetings in 2014

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| Thursday | 16 <sup>th</sup> January                                 |
| Thursday | 20 <sup>th</sup> February                                |
| Thursday | 20 <sup>th</sup> March                                   |
| Thursday | 17 <sup>th</sup> April                                   |
| Thursday | 15 <sup>th</sup> May                                     |
| Thursday | 17 <sup>th</sup> July                                    |
| Thursday | 18 <sup>th</sup> September                               |
| Thursday | 16 <sup>th</sup> October                                 |
| Thursday | 20 <sup>th</sup> November                                |
| Sunday   | 9 <sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday              |
| Saturday | 6 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Entertainment and Tea |

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All meetings to commence at 7:45 p.m. unless other activities presently using the Providence Room ceased to take place. No meetings in June, August or December

**25 Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2014