

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,
Held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 20th February 2014
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

Present: Councillors Mrs K Austin, Miss K Battye, R Popplewell, J Kerr and B Tylee. Three members of the public in attendance. As was BMBC Councillor Paul Hand-Davis

1 Apologies for absence

There were none

2 Declarations of interest from Councillors

Councillor Miss K Battye declared a person interest in item 9.2.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16th January 2014 were confirmed

4 Matters arising from these minutes

4.1 Bee Watch, Bird Walk

Councillors Tylee and Popplewell agreed to contact various conservation groups to ascertain interest in a bee watch/bird walk in Hunshelf

5 Oxspring Parish Council and LD 10

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from the Clerk at Oxspring Parish Council stating that no further action would be taken by that council concerning the relationship of Hunshelf Parish and LD 10

6 Parish DVD

Councillor Popplewell reported that steady progress was being made on securing photographs to include in a DVD of the parish. The next step would be to select those that would fit in with the story of the parish. It was agreed that at a meeting of the parish council in the next few months, the photos would be shown and all members given the opportunity to choose the content of the disc

The Clerk was to seek funding as and when costs had been ascertained.

7 Parish plan

Councillor Popplewell reported that the plan had been finalised and was now ready to be printed. It was agreed that the Sheffield College quote of £68.25 be accepted for 195 copies. Members then organised the distribution and collection of the forms

8 Reports from the Clerk

Peakland Guardian to Cllr Tylee
Neighbourhood Watch Lottery Noted

9 Planning Applications

9.1 2014/0110, Porch on Delf Edge

The parish council had no comments on this application

9.2 2014/0086 Garage Tenter House, Snowden Hill

The parish council had no comments on this application

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9.3 2014/0111 Livestock and food-store building, Underbank Lane (part retrospective)

It was agreed to object to this application on the grounds that the area of land was not suitable for the purpose indicated in the application, nor is the land itself suitable for the keeping of animals in such numbers as to necessitate such a large structure

10 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters

A parishioner drew attention to the state of the retaining wall at the entrance to the Pump House. This person reported that a local dry-stone waller had expressed an opinion that the wall was not constructed properly, was bowing slightly and as an “attractive nuisance” could lead to children climbing and being hurt by stones becoming detached. The Clerk was asked to contact the surveyors working on the project to ascertain if any of these concerns were real.

11 Ward Alliance funding in 2013/14

It was reported that an application for funding to finish the walls round the pump house had been referred to the Ward Alliance. It was noted that the Ward Alliance had already promised funding for the cutting back of the hedges in Hunshelf. Councillor Popplewell asked if Councillor Barnard could be approached to ascertain how Hunshelf might be represented on the Ward Alliance, and the Clerk was asked to contact him.

BMC Councillor Paul Hand-Davis reported to the meeting that the concessionary pass of senior citizens would change in the near future due to continuing financial concerns. It was noted that the scheme to be adopted in South Yorkshire now was the National Scheme that had applied in most of the country for some time.

Councillor Hand-Davis then asked that the parish council consider the possible changes to the rural waste management collection rounds. Again due to financial concerns, BMBC was considering only collecting from roadsides and not collecting from such locations as Holly Hall or New Houses in Hunshelf. This news was received with alarm and Councillor Hand-Davis promised to supply a full list of the properties affected in Hunshelf. The Clerk was to scrutinise this list and then circulate to members.

12 BMBC grant aid

It was noted that further funds had been granted for the supply of extra grit bins in Hunshelf, one at the foot of Chapel Lane and one on Well Hill near to Ivy Cottages

13 Repair of the dry-stone walls and to the pump house

It was reported that Steve and Carl Fretwell had agreed to repair the damage to the pump house caused during the erection of Stoneway Mews. This cost is to be funded by Shepherd Homes. The Fretwells would then erect with local stone a wall to bridge the gap in the perimeter wall and make good and tidy the rest of the wall belonging to the parish council. This latter would cost approx. £700, of which the parish council would provide half and the Ward Alliance would be asked to contribute to the other half

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14 Letter from a parishioner concerning the dumping of household waste on the Trunce, and damage to the grass verges and supporting walls

Members considered the two problems. The Clerk reported that as the damage to the supporting walls by encroachment onto the grass verge was a possible safety matter, he had contacted BMBC Highways immediately to ask for a survey. He was presently awaiting the result of his request.

It was asked that the Clerk contact local families to ascertain who owned or leased the land on the other side of the wall opposite to Castle View and to seek their agreement as to how the matter should be tackled

15 Arrangements for Farm Watch/Neighbourhood Watch in the parish and surrounding area

Members agreed to make fresh efforts to both circulate and collect the forms for the new Neighbourhood Watch system. Forms were to be handed to the Clerk who would collate them ready for transmission to the relevant section of South Yorkshire Police

16 Invoices for payment

The following invoices were passed for payment

Storage boxes D Horsfall	£ 17.54 Inc VAT £ 2.92
Computer monitor	£299.98 Inc VAT £ 50.00
AVG Computer software anti-virus	£ 34.00 Inc VAT £ 5.67
Survey Printing	£ 68.25
Grounds Maintenance	£ 475.00
Room Hire	£ 194.00

17 Bank statements for January 2014

Members received copies of the bank statements for January 2014

18 Receipt of Income

There was none

19 Repair to the Playground.

The Clerk reported that the representative of Kompan had visited the site, but had brought the wrong pieces. His return was expected shortly

20 Repairs to the K6 telephone box

Councillor Kerr reported that the weather had been so inclement that he had not been able to find a dry enough period to attempt the repair. He would persevere hoping for an improvement in the weather soon.

21 Date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 27th March 2014