

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,
Held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 4th September 2014
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

Present: Councillors, B Tylee, Miss K Battye, J Kerr and R Popplewell. Three members of the public in attendance.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs K Austin

2 Declarations of interest from Councillors

There were none

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2014 were confirmed

4 Matters arising from these minutes

There were none

5 Parish DVD

Councillor Popplewell reported that work was still in progress. He would report back at the next meeting

6 Parish plan

Councillor Popplewell reported that he had started to enter the data into the database and he outlined some of the findings and conclusions shown therein. It was agreed that all members would report to Councillor Popplewell the locations for which returns had not been made

7 Reports from the Clerk

The following reports were accepted

SCC Consultation on Charging Schedule	Noted
Countryside Voice	Circulated
Peak and Northern FS Appeal for Chairman	Noted
National Hedgelaying Society Bulletin	Noted
Clerks and Councils Direct	Noted

8 Planning Applications

a. Wind Turbine Dyson Cote 2014/1017

Agreed to object on the visual intrusion and the proximity to habitation

b. Cricket pitch

No application had been received

c Hillcrest Chapel Lane. 2014/2019

It was noted that the changes made to the application were very minor and the council re-iterated its objections

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d Wind Turbine 2013/0747 and 0784 Appeal

It was noted that this was an appeal. It was agreed to re-state the original objections

9 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters

There were none

10 Provision of high speed broadband in Hunshelf

BMBC Councillor R Barnard reported that there should be an improvement by the end of the year in broadband speed in those parts of Hunshelf that received telephone land line through a box on Finkle Street Lane. Identifying this box proved difficult and members agreed to search it out when they next passed the area. The improvement would be when the "fibre optic to cabinet" was implemented. Parishioners affected might receive as much as twice the speed presently available. This news was greeted with relief by some and enthusiasm by others.

11 Registering the land at Pea Royd

BMBC Councillor Barnard and the Clerk reported on progress with registering this piece of land. Councillor Barnard had elicited a response from the Land Registry which the Clerk had followed up. What was required now was a "Statement of Truth" from the Clerk with full supporting evidence. Part of the evidence would be a copy of the original *1812-1814 Inclosure Award for Hunshelf*. This document is held securely in the Barnsley MBC Archives and must therefore be copied by the archival staff. It was entirely possible that there would be a fee for this service. Councillor Barnard said that he would pressurise the Borough Solicitor and Secretary, Mr A Frosdick to supply a letter stating the link between the Surveyors of the Parish of Hunshelf in 1814, and the present parish council. The Clerk in particular thanked Councillor Barnard for his help

12 Verges on Well Hill.

It was reported that funds had arrived from the Ward Alliance and that an order had been placed with Barnsley MBC to undertake the laying of approx. 100 metres of kerbs on Well Hill starting from Rock Cottage and going towards the bus stop.

13 Maintenance plans for (a) The Delf field, (b) The Delf heathland, and (c) The Isle of Skye

It was noted that a volunteer party had met to cut back vegetation on the Delf. It was agreed that a further working party would meet on 25th October at the telephone box. The Clerk agreed to try to source some refreshments for this event

A letter was circulated from a Mr J Atkinson asking if the parish council had any land which he could use to graze sheep. These sheep are Hebridean, a conservation breed, and totalled 35 in number at present. Members considered allowing Mr Atkinson to use the paddock at the Isle of Skye with the intention of grazing down the overgrown areas. The Chairman and the Clerk were asked to meet with Mr Atkinson on site and discuss

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the matter with the intention that their recommendations would be circulated to all members afterwards.

14 Archaeological investigations at Tin Mill

Councillor Tylee reported that the archaeological dig would take place from the 6th to the 17th of October and that all volunteers were welcome. It was noted that Thurgoland School would be involved. An article would be written for the Chat, but further publicity was sought and a leaflet drop agreed.

15 Ward Alliance funding in 2014/15

It was agreed that the Clerk would approach the Ward Alliance officer, Mr John Openshaw to discuss the possibility of a further grant application for kerbs on Well Hill. The Clerk was also to consider making an application for a grant towards the purchase of tools for the conservation groups in the parish and to submit that grant application if appropriate.

16 Farm Watch/Neighbourhood Watch in the parish and surrounding area

It was reported that this system has now gone live and that the Clerk was to meet with Mr J Hallows of Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch to be briefed on how to use it. It was noted that this system could be used as often as required to notify parishioners of forthcoming events as well as crime warnings. There is a total of 53 homes linked to this system in Hunshelf and area, and members are asked to encourage others to join.

17 Registration of community assets of Value to the Community

The Clerk reported that he had written to Barnsley MBC to have four assets registered. The assets listed are

- a. The Providence Room, Green Moor Church, Chapel Lane, Green Moor
- b. The Methodist Church building, Chapel Lane, Green Moor
- c. The Green Moor Sports Club facilities, Hill Top Lane, Green Moor
- d. Boys Brigade building, Chapel Lane, Green Moor

It was noted that this registration would have no effect on the present owners to these facilities, until there was a decision by the owners to sell. At this point, the "Community", most likely through the parish council, would be given notice and allowed time to make a bid.

18 Wortley Top Forge water supply to the machinery

Councillor Tylee reported that the work had now been completed and the new sluice gate fitted

19 "Local Works" to petition the government for parish councils to be allowed to sell electricity

A request for the parish council to support a political move to allow parish councils to sell electricity was considered. It was agreed not to support this move

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20 Complaints procedure.

This item, together with items 21, 22 and 23 was considered as one item. It was agreed that the Clerk should prepare for the annual meeting in May 2015 a complete new standing orders which would include all four headings as well as a "Child Protection Policy" statement. The standing orders would therefore include

- a Child Protection
- b Complaints Procedures
- c Transparency of Meetings
- d Transparency of Councils
- e Standing orders of meetings

21 Public have the right to record meetings of parish councils

As in 20 above

22 "Transparency in Parish Councils" legislation

As in 20 above

23 New Model Standing

As in 20 above

24 Orders for payment

The following orders were authorised for payment

Amazon (D B Horsfall) strimmer spares	£ 13.30 inc VAT
strimmer spares	£ 11.26 inc VAT

25 Bank statements for July and August 2014

Bank Statement for July and August 2014 were received by members

26 Receipt of Income

The following income was noted

Ward Alliance Grant for Kerbs	£ 3,000.00
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27 Repairs to the K6 telephone box

It was noted that sourcing a person capable of repairing the box has proved more difficult than expected. Councillors Kerr and Tylee were to continue seeking a capable person to effect the repairs

28 Christmas Entertainment and Tea

Members received a list of suggested invitees to the Christmas Entertainment and Tea with the request that they check the list for errors of omission and commission in time for the next meeting. The Clerk suggested that members might wish to consider adding Mr John Openshaw the Ward Alliance officer for Penistone.

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29 Any other minor items, or, items for the next agenda

29,1 National Hill Climb

Members noted that the National Hill Climb for cyclists was to be held on Don Hill on 26th October 2014 and therefore the road would be closed. An article was proposed for the Chat

29.2 Chat

Councillor Kerr reported that the next issue of the Chat would be started soon and asked for articles

30 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 16th October 2014