

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,
Held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 19th February 2015
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

Present: Councillors, B Tylee, Miss K Battye, and J Kerr. One member of the public in attendance.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs K Austin who was attending a meeting of Oxspring PC and from Councillor R Poplewell

2 Declarations of interest from Councillors

There were none

3 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th January 2105

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15th January 2015 were confirmed

4 Matters arising from these minutes

There were none

5 Parish DVD

This item was held over to another meeting

6 Parish plan

This item was held over to another meeting

7 Clerk's Reports

"Door to Door" Services in BMBC noted
Electoral roll amendment noted
Registration of assets of community value noted
Bank Statement Friends of the Isle of Skye Balance of £1,205.15 noted
It was noted that this account would gift £800 towards two parish council projects
Grant applications, Clerk to advise Pilates ad the Sports Club on the process of applying for grants

8 Planning Applications

8.1 2014/1544 Old Saw Mill, Forge Lane, conversion of Office to Holiday Let

The Parish Council had no comments on this application

8.2 2015/0117 Barn Conversion Office Fold Farm

The Parish Council had no comments on this application

9 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters

There were none

10 The response by Hunshelf Parish Council to the Oxspring Neighbourhood Plan Consultation.

The meeting confirmed the response made to Oxspring Parish Council concerning the Oxspring Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that Councillor Mrs K Austin was presently attending a meeting in Oxspring on behalf of the parish council and that a report on this

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meeting would be made available at a later stage. A copy of the response was to be included in the minute book.

11 Meeting with Oxspring Parish Council

Members noted that Councillor Mrs K Austin was attending a meeting with Oxspring Parish Council to consider a possible planning application concerning both Hunshelf and Oxspring.

12 Call to meetings by email

It was agreed that councillors would be called to meetings in future by email, provided that each councillor gives specific permission. It was agreed that a hard copy of the agenda would be available at the meeting

13 Parish council elections 2015

Members noted the following dates concerning the forthcoming parish council elections

Notice of Election	30 th March
Nomination period	31 st March to 16:00 on 9 th April
Last date for withdrawal	16:00 on 9 th April
Polling Day	7 th May
Submission of Expenses sheet by	4 th June

14 Requirements of the “Transparency Code” for parish councils and of the NALC Local Councils Award Scheme

Members noted that parish councils were shortly to be required to have more information available on line. Parish Councils were also being encouraged to have their own web site and to add details of financial transactions. It was agreed that the Clerk should consider ways and means of meeting our responsibilities including, if necessary, the provision of a Hunshelf Parish web site

15 Kerbs on the verges on Well Hill

The Clerk reported that a survey had taken place and that he was awaiting further developments from BMBC. Members were asked to report to the Clerk if they saw any activity on the roadside in Green Moor so that the Clerk could liaise with the workmen

16 Dog fouling in the parish

It was reported that various signs had been erected in the village and that an article had been prepared for the next issue of the Hunshelf Chat.

17 Internet speeds in Hunshelf

The Clerk reported that he had received a response from Mr T Higgins of BT Openreach which stated that BT Openreach was spending a lot of money on providing faster internet speeds across the country and that BT Openreach should not and could not make statements that specific areas would be upgraded. The Clerk was considering the response to this email.

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It was pointed out that 95% of the whole country was to have high speed broadband (defined as 25 Mbps) by 2017. There was some scepticism at this claim which came from BT Openreach. The irony was that the cabinet over which so much fuss had been made, was unlikely to be the one serving Green Moor.

18 Parish and community notice board

It was reported that a new notice board had been ordered for delivery in the next 6 weeks. This board was to have three sections, one for each of the Green Moor Church, the Community and the Parish Council. It was to be funded by grants from the Stocksbridge Community Shop (The Community Section of the board) and the Ward Alliance with contributions from the Church and the Parish Council.

19 Monthly inspection of the playground

Members accepted the report from Councillor Tylee and this was to be placed in the minute book. Members noted that there were no safety issues at this time

20 Orders for payment

The following orders were authorised for payment

Pennystone Walling grounds maint.	£ 475.00
Greenbarnes Notice board (Grant Funded 95%)	£2,431.00 inc VAT
Archeritage (Grant Funded)	£2,587.00 plus VAT £517.40
Share Energy Colin Hughes (Grant funded)	£4,580.00 plus VAT £916.00

21 Bank statements for January 2015

Members receive copies of the bank statements for January 2015

22 Receipt of Income

The following income was noted

Repayment of invoice	£ 44.50
Grant for Noticeboard	£ 1,600.00
Grant for walls in Playground	£ 600.00

23 Archeological Dig in Tin Mill, and Hydro Scheme on the River Don

Councillor Tylee itemised the outcomes of the Archeological Dig in Tin Mill and then the meeting agreed that the project was complete and the invoice could be paid

Councillor Tylee then explained that a survey of the water sources in the Don Valley had identified some promising sites for establishing small hydro-electric power stations. The final report from the survey was due shortly, after which the project would move to more concrete aims such as finance and sites to construct the facilities

24 K6 telephone box

It was reported that Mr K Pennington had agreed to undertake the refurbishment of the telephone box. The Clerk was now to apply for a small grant for the materials.

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25 Clearance of dangerous trees on footpath Hunshelf 15

It was noted that two dangerously overhanging trees on footpath Hunshelf 15 had been removed. It was further noted that work to improve the steps on this footpath would be undertaken shortly. Members were asked to notify the Clerk if they became aware of any further work that was needed on footpaths

26 Hedgehog Survey of the parish.

It was agreed that an article should be placed in the Chat to ascertain the interest of parishioners in taking part in a national hedgehog survey. Councillor Tylee agreed to organise this

27 Footpath claim across Hunshelf Bank

It was noted that Sheffield City Council had notified Councillor Kerr that part of Hunshelf Bank was now an area of Open Access land. Councillor Kerr was to ascertain the extent of this Open Access and see if it permitted walkers to legally walk from The Isle of Skye to Holly Hall. It was suggested that the local footpath officer from Peak and Northern Footpath Society be involved.

28 Christmas Entertainment and Tea

This item was left to the next meeting

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

29.1 Toft Lane Hedgerow

After receiving a report that two shrubs at the side of Tofts Lane were now so overgrown that they needed attention, the Chairman and Clerk agreed to investigate and undertake any remedial action required

30 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 on Thursday 19th March 2015