

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,  
held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015  
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

**Present:** Councillors, J Kerr (Chairman), Councillor Mrs K Austin, B Tylee, and R Popplewell. Four members of the public in attendance as was BMBC Councillor R Barnard.

Prior to the meeting the Chairman asked that it be noted in the minutes that the Clerk to the Parish Council, David Horsfall, had been awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for Services to the Community in Hunshelf. Mr Horsfall was congratulated by all present.

**1 Apologies for non-attendance**

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillor Miss K Battye

**2 "Management of Recording at Parish Council Meetings"**

Members received copies of this document and resolved to accept the policy therein stated

**3 Declarations of interest from Councillors**

There were none

**4 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

The minutes of the meeting held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May were confirmed

**5 Matters arising from these minutes**

There were none

**6 Parish DVD**

This item was held over to a later meeting

**7 Parish plan**

Councillor Popplewell reported that progress was being made and that he intended to produce a document for the next meeting in September

**8 Reports from the Clerk**

Hunshelf Chat no 81	Noted
Electoral roll update	Noted
BMBC Civic Service	Noted
Clerks and Councils Direct	Noted
Look Local	Noted
Silkstone Parish Newsletter	Noted
BMBC Planning Report précis	Noted
Lubbe and Sons (Bulb catalogue)	Noted
Parkers Bulbs	Noted

The Clerk asked for guidance concerning a consultative process by BMBC on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The Clerk was asked to respond to the consultation

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document saying that the parish council noted with approval the intention to grant 15% of levies raised in the parish to the parish council (25% in parishes with a Neighbourhood Plan) based on £100 per metre square of any development over 100 square metres. However, he was asked to state that the rest of the levy should be retained for the part of Barnsley where the development took place.

**9 Planning Applications**

**9.1 I New Houses**

It was noted that BMBC had decided that no breach of planning had taken place

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

There were none

**11 Land at Pea Royd**

The Clerk reported that he had not received a reply from Mr A Frosdick, Borough Solicitor concerning the ownership of the land at Pea Royd. The Clerk explained that in his opinion the land was owned by Sheffield City Council and that he had requested Mr Frosdick to contact Sheffield and ask if that council would grant the land to Hunshelf. Councillor Bernard offered to approach Mr Frosdick on behalf of the parish council to see if the matter could be resolved

**12 Licence to maintain the verge in Green Moor.**

Members noted that BMBC had granted a licence to the parish council to maintain the verge from Rock Cottage to the bus stop in Green Moor. This section of verge was seeded with a wild flower mix, but the grass had proved too strong and there had been only limited success. It was agreed that the Clerk should source some *Rhinanthus minor* seeds (Yellowrattle) with the intent of weakening the grass roots and hopefully allowing the flower seeds to flourish next year. It was noted that the grass should be strimmed back severely in the autumn and the cut grass removed.

**13 Asset of Community Value: Green Moor Church Providence Room**

Members noted that the Providence Room, Green Moor Church is now officially listed with Barnsley MBC as an asset of Community Value under the Right to Bid Legislation

**14 Parish Community Event in December**

A meeting of a working group recommended that the parish hold a community event in December to replace the Christmas Entertainment and Tea. The format was such as to appeal to all ages. Entertainment had been arranged, a preliminary costing for refreshments found and the room was booked. The parish council agreed that this function should go ahead on the basis of the arrangements suggested and set a budget of £500. It was noted that Father Christmas and Mother Christmas were to attend and that some modest present for young people would therefore be required

Councillor Austin asked that it be recorded how refreshing it was that the community had rallied round for this event.

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Grant aid was to be applied for to cover, if possible, the cost of the room hire, Christmas tree, and entertainment.

**15 Wagon Way on Hill Top Lane**

Councillor Austin reported that a preliminary geophysical report had agreed that the Wagon Way on Hill Top Lane and in the Cricket Field was worthy of a more detailed investigation. Mrs Austin stated that she would be approaching various bodies to seek grant aid with the intention of preserving this heritage item. Specifically it was necessary to ascertain how best to maintain Hill Top Lane and yet preserve this asset. It was noted that BMBC had registered this asset as a heritage item

**16 Penistone Wards Clean and Green Initiative**

Councillor Austin reported that in consultation with other members of the parish council, she had written to the Penistone Area officers suggesting activities within the parish that could be included in a contract for maintenance. BMBC Councillor Barnard reported that the contract was now out to tender.

**17 “Penistone Working Together Team”**

Members received a paper from Penistone Working Together which asked if the parish council could be involved. It was agreed to discuss this item in detail at the next meeting in September

**18 Superfast Broadband in South Yorkshire**

Members received a copy of the roll out map of Superfast Broadband which indicated that the earliest we could expect this long awaited development would be by the end of 2017. Members noted that the Clerk had written to Ofcom asking for details of when we could expect to get a satisfactory level of service from Broadband, but that the response was disappointing.

**19 Transparency Code for Smaller Parishes**

The Clerk reported that the parish council should be placing all its documents on a web site as from the end of July 2015. A promise had been made by central government of help to set up a web site for small parishes and for training. Despite his best endeavours, including writing to the Dept. of Communities and Local Government, nothing had been forthcoming. The parish council would therefore miss the deadline for compliance.

**20 Parish, church and community noticeboard**

Councillor Austin promised to approach a local tradesman to ascertain if he could install the board which is stored in the Green Moor Church building

**21 Oxspring Parish Neighbourhood Plan**

It was noted that BMBC had now agreed that the Oxspring Neighbourhood Plan area would not include the third field on Sheffield Road Oxspring. It was noted that Mrs Angela Smith MP had met with the various parties.

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**22 Monthly report on the safety of the Playground.**

Members noted that the latest safety report had been placed with the minutes. Members also expressed their thanks to Councillor Tylee for removing all the encroaching grass and cleaning all the equipment

**23 K6 Telephone box in Green Moor.**

It was noted that the volunteers had stripped out most of the telephone box and that repairs were under way. It was agreed that the Clerk should order spares to the value of £ 1,085.88 from X2 Connect. It was noted that the Area Forum had donated £ 1,070.15 towards the costs

**24 Claimed Public Footpath, Windy Bank Hall to Holly Hall**

Councillor Kerr reported on his efforts to get the footpath registered as a public right of way. The situation was complicated by the route that moved from Sheffield to Barnsley, and by the apparent loss of the original documents. Barnsley Footpath Officers had been extremely helpful and Councillor Kerr was collecting, again, declarations from users of this path for the past 20 years.

**25 Change to conditions over land previously owned by the parish council**

The Clerk reported that the parish council solicitor had undertaken all the paper work concerned with amending an easement of land to the rear of Delf Mews for the benefit of the householder. The costs of the transaction were born by the householder

**26 Heritage Project in Tin Mill**

Councillor Tylee reported that the project was now winding to a close and that the final event would be a talk with refreshments on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 in the Providence Room, Green Moor.

**27 Orders for payment**

The following orders were authorised for payment

CPRE Subscription	££36.00
BDO Audit	£ 240.00
AVG (Driver updaters)	£ 24.99 inc VAT £4.16
Chat Delivery costs,	£ 30.00
December 2014, March 2015 and June 2015 at £10.00 @	
YLCA Training Course	£ 55.00
B Tylee Weed Killer	£ 7.99 inc VAT £ 1.33
Green Moor Church (Lottery Funding)	£ 25.00
X2 Connect Phone Box Spares	£ 1,085.88 inc VAT £ 180.98

**28 Annual Audit 2015**

The Clerk reported that the Audit had been returned with a small concern in that the support grant portion of the precept income should have been stated as "other income" and not as "precept". This sum amounted to £4.00

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**29 Bank statements for May and June 2015**

Members received copies of the bank statements for May and June 2015

**30 Receipt of Income**

The following income was reported

BMBC Grant telephone box refit	£ 1,070.15
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**31 Playground walls repairs**

It was reported that the dry stone waller was now recovered from his injuries and would be commencing to rebuild the wall in mid-August

**32 Date of the next meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015

**33 Minor Items**

**33.1 Tin Mill Wood**

The Clerk was to report to BMBC and other bodies that the footpath in Tin Mill Wood had been blocked by barbed wire and an enclosure for rearing pheasants

**33.2 Footpath Stile**

The Clerk was to report to BMBC Footpaths Officer the state of a stile near to the Delf

**33.3 Dry-stone Wall**

Members were recommended to view the dry-stone wall on Dean Head Lane as it was a fine example of the art

**33.4 Power Cuts in Hunshelf**

It was noted that there had been a number of power cuts in Hunshelf over the past few days. It was reported that a concerted effort by a number of householders had persuaded YEDL that the problem was with the power company and not with individual homes.