

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,
held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 10th September 2015
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

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

1 Apologies for non-attendance

Apologies for non-attendance were accepted from Councillor R Popplewell

2 Declarations of interest from Councillors

Councillor J Kerr declared a prejudicial interest in one of the items in Item 7 concerning a possible fund raising event and left the building while this was discussed

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16th July 2015 were confirmed

4 Matters arising from these minutes

It was reported that the footpath in Tin Mill had now been opened after representations by the parish council

5 Parish DVD

Councillor Popplewell sent a report that he was still working on this project and would report again at a later stage

6 Parish plan

Councillor Popplewell sent a report stating that he was making progress towards organising and analysing the responses to the questionnaire and that he would make a further report at a later stage

7 Reports from the Clerk

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| 7.1 | One Family Foundation grant application | Noted |
| 7.2 | Letter from Mrs K Goddard concerning the celebration of 50 years since the parish won the "Best Kept Village Competition" It was agreed that the parish council would place an item on the agenda concerning the celebration of 50 years since the village of Green Moor gained the "Best Kept Village" award. Mrs Goddard who was present, was asked to speak to another proposal that an event be organised in the parish to raise funds for one of the young people to go on a visit to Ecuador. At this point Councillor Kerr left the meeting and Councillor Miss K Battye took the chair. It was agreed that this was not a suitable project for the parish council, but members encouraged Mrs Goddard to pursue the initiative | |
| 7.3 | Poem concerning the tank on the Isle of Skye | Noted and circulated |
| 7.4 | Register of Electors update | Noted |
| 7.5 | Invitation to Wortley Top Forge Sunday 20 th September 2015 to celebrate the work by Ken Hawley MBE. | Members to attend if possible |
| 7.6 | To note the excellent display of wild flowers on the adopted verge in Green Moor. It was agreed that the verge should be strimmed later in the year and a supply of seeds purchased | |
| 7.7 | Barnsley Chronicle article on The Wagon Way | Noted |

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8 Planning Applications

9.1 2015/0942 Plashwood, Conversion of Stable

It was confirmed that the parish council had no comments on this application

9.2 2015/0980 Office Fold Farm, conversion of barn

It was confirmed that the parish council had no comments on this application

9 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters

Mrs Austin mentioned the application in Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth parish for three giant wind turbines.

10 Land at Pea Royd

The Clerk reported that he had followed up his email to Mr Frosdick at Barnsley MBC with a request to BMBC Councillor Robert Barnard. Councillor Barnard was presently out of the country but he had promised to approach Mr Frosdick on his return

11 Parish Community Event

Councillor Austin reported that a meeting was to be held on 14th September to consider further progress. The Clerk reported that he had obtained a grant to pay for the hire of the hall and the Christmas tree. Members noted that the parish council had set a budget of £500 for this event

12 Penistone Wards Clean and Green Initiative

Members received a paper from Barnsley MBC concerning the above initiative. It was agreed that The Clerk and Councillor Austin would meet with John Openshaw of Barnsley MBC Penistone Area Wards to submit an application as appropriate

13 “Penistone Working Together”

It was noted that funds were available if projects were envisaged. Members agreed that the Wagon Way preservation would be a suitable project for applying for grant funds.

14 “Superfast Broadband” in Hunshelf

It was noted that “Superfast Broadband” was due to be installed in Hunshelf in Tranche 8, July to September 2017

15 Transparency Code requirements for audit

It was agreed that the parish council would apply for grant aid to enable the parish council to comply with the new Transparency Code regulations. This could involve a new computer to replace the old parish council owned one, a new scanner and web site design and training

16 Parish, Church and Community Noticeboard

Members were complimentary about the new noticeboard and asked that all the volunteers be thanked for their efforts

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17 Oxspring Parish Neighbourhood Plan

No further information had been received

18 Report on the safety of the Playground.

It was noted that as the Playground had been closed for the last month due to work on the rear wall, no safety check had been feasible

19 K6 Telephone box in Green Moor.

Members were very complimentary about the refurbished telephone box and asked that all volunteers be thanked appropriately. It was agreed that the Clerk and the Vice Chairman would negotiate a price for the painting as decoration of the shelves and noticeboard

20 Claimed Public Footpath, Windy Bank Hall to Holly Hall

Councillor Kerr reported that he had received some more declarations of usage of this path and as and when he had sufficient responses to stand a chance of getting the footpath recognised, he would take the matter up with Sheffield City Council.

Members noted that Penistone FM had broadcast an interview with Councillor Kerr on this matter

21 Section 31 of the Highways Act

Members noted that this section of the Highways Act allowed landowners to register a lack of footpath on their land, thus preventing any new paths being claimed

22 Heritage Project in Tin Mill

Councillor Tylee reported that he was almost ready to sign off the project. Some funds needed to be paid, viz., £25 for the hire of a room in the Green Moor Church, £205 for the printing of leaflets and £40 for designing and proofreading the leaflet. This expenditure was agreed

Members noted also that the Hydro Project had not proceeded to a third stage and some funds would have to be returned after the acceptance of the final report. This report was presently in its third stage of revision. The sum involved is £ 7,440 and permission was given to repay this from council finds

23 Orders for payment

The following invoices were authorised for payment

C Derrick Chat publication	82	£ 95.00
W Horsfall	Noticeboard	£ 81.00
Graeme Johnson	Strimmer repair	£ 7.40
S Telford	Telephone Box	£ 325.00

24 Bank statements for July and August 2015

Members note the bank statements for July and August 2015 which had been circulated

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25 Receipt of Income

(Appendix)

The following income was noted

BMBC Grant Christmas Community Event	£ 450.00
Donation Green Moor Church	£ 80.00

26 Playground walls.

It was reported that the wall at the rear of the Playground was more dilapidated than first thought and had needed much more repair than first budgeted for. The Clerk has authorised the further repair as it was a matter of safety.

27 Securing the boundaries of the Isle of Skye

It was noted that cattle had strayed onto the Isle of Skye and thence onto the cricket pitch. The Clerk had arranged to have the fence secured and a wall repaired. He now asked permission to have the same fence replaced with a dry-stone wall at a cost estimated at around £200. He and his wife had sourced and transported some two tonnes of stone for this project. He asked one of the parishioners present if some members of the cricket club would help in transferring the stone across the Isle of Skye as this would save us a considerable sum in labour costs. The Clerk also suggested that a stout post be placed in the entrance to the stile to prevent cattle from gaining access to the stile at all. This was also agreed.

28 “Public Contracts Regulations 2015”

Members agreed to the policy outlined in the above document and the Clerk was to add a copy to the list of parish council policies

29 Rural Action Yorkshire “Good Neighbours”

It was agreed that members would study the document supplied and the Clerk would place an item on the agenda for the October meeting

30 Issue 82 of the Hunshelf Chat

Members noted with pleasure the latest issue of the Hunshelf Chat and asked that thanks be passed to the editor Claire Derrick

31 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 15th October 2015

32 Minor Items and Items for the Next Agenda

32.1 Traffic on Don Hill/Pea Royd

It was agreed that this item should be discussed at the next agenda

32.2 Talk on Quarries and Environmental Projects

It was noted that this would take place on 2nd November with a pie and pea supper

32.3 Carol Singers

It was noted that a meeting concerning the carol singing had been held and dates for practices arranged.

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32.4 Carol Singers Bank Account

It was agreed that the parish council would hold income from the Carol Singers and thus provide a safeguard and audit trail.

32.5 RNLI Fish Supper

It was noted that this event would take place on 9th October in Wharncliffe Side

32.6 Overhanging vegetation

It was reported that a resident had had his vehicle damaged by overhanging vegetation on Chapel Lane. It was agreed that the resident should be advised to approach the new owners of the property and ask for the trees to be cut back. Should this not be effected, the resident was to be advised to contact Barnsley MBC Highways for them to enforce the regulations concerning the overhead clearance of highways