

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Hunshelf Parish Council,
held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 9th June 2016
in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church**

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

1 Apologies for non-attendance

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillor R Popplewell and for late arrival from Councillor Mrs K Austin

2 Declarations of interest from Councillors

Councillor Mrs K Austin declared a personal interest in item 21 concerning the gate access from Hill Top Lane to the Isle of Skye due to the proximity of her home

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the parish council held at 7:45 p.m. on Thursday 12th May 2016 were confirmed

4 Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish held on Thursday 12th May 2016 were noted

5 Matters arising from these minutes

There were none

6 Reports from the Clerk

Planning Regulatory Board Agenda		Noted
Barnsley Chronicle re development funds use		Noted
Isle of Skye Friends balance as at 21 April 2016	£ 405.15	Noted
White Rose Update concerning the future role of parish councils		Noted

7 Planning Applications

There were none

8 Communications from any member of the public on Planning Matters

There were none

9 Oxspring Parish Neighbourhood Plan

No further information on the Oxspring Neighbourhood Plan had been received. However it was noted that a local developer had stated his interest in developing the old Conoco fuel depot at the foot of Thurgoland Bank. It was further noted that this site would be expensive to make suitable for any development, and that grants for cleaning "brown field" sites had been drastically cut by central government. It was noted again that Barnsley MBC has stated that this piece of land was not in the local development plan at the moment.

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10 Safety of the Playground.

Members received a report on the playground inspection carried out by Councillor Tylee and noted that there were no hazards.

11 Parish council web site

The Clerk reported that he had very recently received the operating instructions for updating the web site and he would place various items on the site as soon as possible. Further work on obtaining data would then begin in earnest

12 Orders for payment

The following invoices were authorised for payment

Penistone Fish Bar (YIB Quiz evening)	£ 89.00
Green Moor Sports Club (Beacon lighting)	£ 24.00
S C Derrick, Chat printing	£ 95.00
W M Horsfall payment to J Goddard Chat delivery	£ 10.00

13 Bank statements for May 2016

Members received copies of the bank statements for May 2016

14 Receipt of Income

The following income was reported

Donation from the YIB Quiz evening	£ 150.00
Donation from W Horsfall re telephone box spares	£ 50.00

15 Community events arranged by the Yorkshire in Bloom committee

It was noted that the sub-committee had arranged two social events already, a Call my Bluff and a Quiz night. Both were well attended and successful community events. The third social evening is planned for early September as a War Years social evening.

Four members of the sub-committee cleaned a section of the pavement outside Castle View; there was discussion as on how best to encourage residents to prune back their overhanging shrubbery. It was agreed that a request should be made in the first instance to the home owner.

16 Christmas Entertainment and Tea for December 2016.

Councillor Austin reported that she and Councillor Popplewell had spoken to the sub-committee and had agreed to a revised format for the forthcoming event. Some concern had been expressed about the need for Hygiene Certification for the providers of various foods and it had been agreed to order such items from a commercial source rather than donations from the parishioners.

The "Decibels" had agreed to attend again, the Carol Singers were to be invited and the Children's entertainer had been booked. There would be less emphasis on the entertainment and more time to talk round the tables. Invitations would be only to

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members of the parish and selected guests due to the need to limit numbers and to reflect that the precept paid for the large part of the event.

17 Repair of the dry-stone wall opposite Castle View

This item was left to the next meeting

18 Installation of a section of kerbing from the bus stop to the village boundary

This item was left to the next meeting

19 Green Moor Sports Club

No comments or requests were received from the Green Moor Sports Club

20 Isle of Skye Quarry to the Imperial Wharf in Southwark London

Councillor Tylee reported that Southwark Council was being very supportive and that he and Mrs Tylee would be travelling to Southwark to investigate the proposed site and the costs of placing the stone flag in place. It would be necessary to agree a form of words for the stone in due course.

Councillor Mrs K Austin reported that she had contacted a Historical Archaeology landscape person with a view to getting advice on how best to conserve the section of Hill Top Lane from the Wagon Way access gate to the Isle of Skye to Chapel Lane. She agreed to follow up her earlier contact with this person.

21 Wagon Way access track to the Isle of Skye

It was agreed that any councillor using the Wagon Way access gate to the Isle of Skye with a wheeled vehicle should record the time and date of such use and report the matter to the next meeting of the parish council

Councillor Tylee agreed to investigate with Peak and Northern Footpath Society the possibilities of providing access through the gate that allowed persons with disabilities to visit the Isle of Skye.

22 The grassed area of Pickford's Gap

Members received a copy of an email asking if the parish council would sell to two parishioners the grassed area of Pickford's Gap. Members discussed the request and agreed to consider the matter further,

23 Annual Governance statement

The risk assessment prepared by the Clerk was noted and the Chairman mandated to sign the Annual Governance Statement for the audit. Councillor Tylee offered to update the risk assessment statement and present it at a later date

24 Damage to walls on the Isle of Skye

The damage to some of the walls on the Isle of Skye was noted. The Clerk was to contact Mr D Wadsworth to firstly request a quotation, and then, subject to a successful

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insurance claim, employ him to repair the walls. It was unclear at this time if the wall stone had been stolen or vandalised by being pushed down the slope towards Stocksbridge

25 Repairing the gate to the Isle of Skye

Councillors Tylee and Kerr agreed to effect the repairs to the Isle of Skye access gate that had been removed to allow access to the beacon. The Clerk supplied the councillors with a lock and two keys

26 Delf Field

After some discussion it was agreed that the Delf Field should remain as a general recreational area only with no fixed items such as goal posts. Councillor Austin agreed to contact the Church and the Boys Brigade to see if they had any specific requirements for the field. It was further agreed that the Clerk should source funds to have the field drained and levelled on the basis that

Drainage costs	£ 4,500.00
Volunteers labour	£ 1,500.00

This should be funded by a grant application to the Ward Alliance for £ 3,000.00 and a cash contribution from the parish council of £ 1,500.00.

The Clerk was to proceed on this basis and make a schedule of the work needed to make the access better, but at the same time to block un-authorized vehicles from the field

27 Beacon height

The Clerk reported that he had contacted Ridgeway Forge to request a quotation to lower the height of the beacon. A lively discussion followed concerning the correct height the beacon should be to retain its impact on the scenery and yet allow the basket to be filled safely. It was agreed that the contact at Ridgeway Forge should be asked for his advice

28 Clearing of brashings on the Delf

Councillor Tylee reported that much of the brashings had now been cleared and the Clerk reported that he would try and clear the remainder in the next two weeks. Ms S Ford of Barnsley MBC had arranged with the Clerk to organise a heather cutting day sometime in October. Ms Ford had taken advice from the Peak Parks authority on the best time to cut back the heather.

29 Cutting of the grass on the Delf field for hay.

Councillor Tylee reported that he had sourced a local person who would probably cut the grass for hay and he was in negotiation with him as to cost

30 Grass cutting schedule for Ivy Millennium Green

The Clerk reported that Barnsley MBC volunteers had the cutting of the grass on the Ivy Millennium Green on their schedule and it should be cut shortly

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31 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed for 7:45 on Thursday 21st July 2016 in the Providence Room, Green Moor

32 Minor Matter and Items for the next agenda

32.1 Ward Alliance meeting

Councillor Battye reported on the recent meeting of the Area Ward Alliance which she has attended. It was noted that various grants had been awarded.

32.1 Hunshelf Chat

The latest issue (no 85) of the Hunshelf Chat was noted. The parish council wished to thank Ms Derrick and all the contributors for their efforts