



**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Unstone Parish Council
held at Moorland View, Apperknowle on Thursday 20 November
2025**

PRESENT Councillors Smith (in the Chair), Booth, Dale,
Hubbard, Land, Lilleyman, Perkins and Rogers

IN ATTENDANCE E Smith (Parish Clerk)
4 members of the public

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- 284/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Cllr Dalby
Cllr Hopkinson
- 285/25 VARIATION TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS**
No variations to the order of business
- 286/25 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTEREST**
No declarations of members interests
- 287/25 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**
No confidential matters
- 288/25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
A member of the public stated that the surveys carried out on Alice Way was a Topographical survey associated with the planning application. Member of the public wants the Council to strongly contest the application.
A member of the public spoke about the Peak resort stating there was a heap of soil on site, approx. a 100 lorry loads per day. Cllr Smith stated some of the site needs raising in height by up to 4m.
A member of the public spoke about the dangers of the cycle track at the top of their drive.
A member of the public stated the speed limits in West Handley are too fast and there isn't enough lighting when walking. People are parking on the few footpaths in the area meaning walkers are having to walk on the road. There are no horse signs in this area even though riders do use this road.
Cllr Booth stated that the 15mph stickers put on the 30mph speed signs had been removed. Ideally if the speed limit could be reduced to 20mph in this area it would make it safer for users.
- 289/25 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING 16 October 2025**
RESOLVED approved the Full Council meeting minutes, Chair signed the minutes.
- 290/25 POLICE REPORT**
October 2025
5 x Violent crime against a person
1 x Public order
RESOLVED noted.
- 291/25 DCC AND NEDDC REPORT – Cllr Dale report**
Cycle Path – Cllr Dale will chase DCC regarding the dangerous part of the cycle track when they are due to come back to site.
Speed limit – Cllr Dale will request a 20mph speed limit in West Handley. 20mph speed limits are not enforceable by the Police. Cllr

Dale have asked residents of West Handley to put a petition together to send to DCC. Cllr Dale will put a request in for street lights in this area with DCC near the CCTV mast.

Local Government Reform – Majority of Councils have opted for a North and South split. No Council can decide where to put Amber Valley, so there have been varying submissions on this. DCC have opted for a whole County including City (no North/South split). The statutory consultation will be held next Spring.

Local Plan – Loundes Road, Developers are building a case for it to be included in the new Local Plan.

DCC – two residential roads for resurfacing have been submitted. Cheetham/ Loundes Road and Hallows Lane at Dronfield.

Dronfield TC – Barclays local (weekly banking facility) in the library has been withdrawn. Town Council have asked for a banking hub through the post office, these are staffed by different banks on different days.

RESOLVED noted.

292/25 CHAIRS REPORT

Chair had nothing to report.

293/25 CONNECT FIBRE

Carolyn Renwick – Delivery Community Engagement Officer attended the meeting and spoke about Project Gigabit. Government is funding this project to bring fast fibre to rural areas. Connect Fibre started in Staffordshire and are now moving into Derbyshire. In the next few weeks Connect fibre will contact residents in Unstone who are eligible. Grants for upgrades to buildings in connection with net zero are available. There will be a roadshow, Carolyn will contact the Clerk with further details. Carolyn Renwick and Cllr Dale will hold a teams meeting regarding further information on the exact areas proposed for fast fibre installation. Clerk to send Carolyn Renwick Councillor emails for a newsletter for Connect Fibre.

294/25 DALC NEWSLETTER

Clerk circulated the October and November 2025 newsletter.

RESOLVED noted.

295/25 DCC CYCLE PATH

Clerk reported there was no further updates on the cycle path.

RESOLVED noted.

296/25 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE DATA COLLECTED

Clerk will circulate the latest data and send to DCC.

RESOLVED noted.

- 297/25 OCHRE LADEN STREAM**
Clerk circulated correspondence from a resident regarding the stream.
RESOLVED Clerk to contact NEDDC and DCC regarding this issue.
Cllr Dale to chase this matter up with County Council. Cllr Dale will send contact details for the Coal Authority to the Clerk to pursue.
- 298/25 DECIMATED BENCH NEAR GARDEN CENTRE**
RESOLVED Clerk to pursue a claim through the Councils insurance policy for a new bench.
- 299/25 WEST HANDLEY SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION REQUEST**
Clerk circulated correspondence regarding a speed limit reduction in West Handley.
RESOLVED This is not a Parish Council matter but Cllr Dale will speak with DCC.
- 300/25 NEDDC PARISH COUNCIL FOCUS GROUPS – LOCAL PLAN**
Cllr Dale attending the Focus Group on 27 November 2025
RESOLVED noted.
- 301/25 NEDDC LOCAL PLAN MEETING NOTES – 17 NOVEMBER 2025**
Clerk circulated the meeting notes.
RESOLVED noted.
- 302/25 CHARITIES REPORTS**
Cllr Rogers - Henry Fanshaw Charity has held no meetings.
Cllr Smith - Dronfield Relief in Need, meeting held last Tuesday Cllr Smith could not attend.
Cllr Hubbard - Staveley Parochial Charity meeting has been held nothing further to report.
Cllr Hubbard - Woodthorpe Relief in Need Charity meeting has been held nothing further to report.
- 303/25 CARETAKERS REPORT**
Community Hall -
1. All the emergency lighting has now been replaced, as recommended on Chubb fire inspection report.
2. Two exterior lights in the car park need replacing, Requested electrician to order lights and install when possible.
Warden/grounds -
1. Routine checks on all bins, dog, bins, grit bins, bus stops and benches around the parish.
2. Routine play area inspections and litter picks.
3. Routine maintenance to flower/shrub beds.
4. Routine weed control around the parish.
5. Routine maintenance to UPC responsible footpaths
6. Poppies and figures were placed around the parish for Remembrance day.

7. Winter plants planted in the wooden planters and wall boxes at the Community hall.
8. Struggling to get turf to repair ground at Brierly play area, Caretaker will monitor the situation and repair area in Spring. Requirement - 4 or 5 sqm and turf suppliers are 10 sqm min order.

RESOLVED noted report.

304/25 PAYMENT LIST FOR NOVEMBER 2025

RFO circulated the payment list for November 2025 totalling £16,044.69

RESOLVED approved the payment list circulated (Appendix 1)

305/25 BANK RECONCILIATION FOR OCTOBER 2025

RFO circulated the bank reconciliation for October 2025

RESOLVED approved the bank reconciliation circulated (Appendix 2)

306/25 STAFF SCP LEVELS

RESOLVED approved Clerks report.

307/25 BUDGET/PRECEPT FOR 2026/27

RESOLVED approved budget and precept at 2.5% increase £94,461.00

308/25 COMMUNITY HALL FEES 2026/27

Clerk circulated the proposed increase in hall booking fees for 2026/27.

RESOLVED approved Clerks report.

309/25 LAND SURROUNDING COMMUNITY HALL

Clerk has received no further correspondence since meeting with NEDDC.

RESOLVED noted.

310/25 CHRISTMAS FAYRE – 29 NOVEMBER 2025

Santa to attend between 12pm – 3pm. Charge per child £1.50.

RESOLVED approved.

311/25 SCUPPERED – 18 OCTOBER 2025

Ticket sales £180.00 payment to band £150.00 surplus of £30.00.

RESOLVED noted.

312/25 HOW THE BEATLES GOT ME A JOB WITH ELO – 15 NOVEMBER

Ticket sales £276.00, band cost £400.00, Raffle profit £40.00 total loss of £84.00.

RESOLVED noted

- 313/25 FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT**
Clerk circulated quotations for the Fire Risk Assessment.
RESOLVED approved Fire Risk Consulting at £350.00.
- 314/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
No planning applications received.
- 315/25 PLANNING DECISIONS**
No planning decisions received.
- 316/25 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**
No other planning matters.
- 317/25 PLANNING MATTERS AFTER THE AGENDA WAS CIRCULATED**
25/00780/FL – Single storey extensions to the side and rear of the existing cricket pavilion at The Derek Oldman Memorial Ground, Windmill Lane, Hundall, Apperknowle
RESOLVED no comments
25/00843/FLH – Replacement of all windows and doors, from timber to black/dark grey aluminium, on main dwelling and car barn (Conservation Area) (Affecting the Setting of a Listed Building) at Elm Tree Stables, Summerley Road, Summerley, Apperknowle
RESOLVED no comments
- 318/25 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**
RESOLVED approved Full Council meeting 15 January 2026 at 7pm.
- 319/25 ITEMS TO NOTE FOR THE JANUARY 2026 AGENDA**
Christmas Fayre review

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed

Chairperson

Date 15 January 2026

Appendix 1

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Cheque Requests

	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vat Rec</u>	<u>Total</u>
D/D	British Gas	Electric Bill 26/08 to 24/09/2025	£26.49	£1.32	£27.81
D/D	YU Energy	Gas Bill 01/09 to 30/09/2025	£66.67	£3.33	£70.00
D/D	YU Energy	Electric Bill 01/09 to 30/09/2025	£51.41	£2.57	£53.98
S/O	Wish Computers	Web site management	£35.00	£0.00	£35.00
S/O	Blueflame	Annual Service Plan	£34.17	£6.83	£41.00
D/D	Waterplus	Water Charges	£24.64	£0.00	£24.64
D/D	NEDDC	Trade Waste Collections	£48.66	£0.00	£48.66
D/D	O2	CCTV at Whittington Lane	£18.70	£3.74	£22.44
D/D	Unity Trust	Fuel, Jerry Can, Paper	£286.59	£55.13	£341.72
D/D	Nest	Pension Contributions Oct2025	£141.63	£0.00	£141.63
D/D	Nest	Pension Contributions November	£141.63	£0.00	£141.63
D/D	Unity Trust	Bank Charges	£11.85	£0.00	£11.85
BACS	E D Steel	Packers, Brushes & Cable Ties	£23.24	£4.66	£27.90
BACS	NEDDC	Dog Bins	£4,277.88	£855.58	£5,133.46
BACS	J R Byard	Tank Cleaning	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
BACS	ASI Security	4G Router Whittington Lane	£33.00	£6.60	£39.60
BACS	Com Cleaning	Floor Cleaner	£1,600.00	£320.00	£1,920.00
BACS	Zurich Insurance	Insurance Renewal	£1,658.26	£0.00	£1,658.26
BACS	Zurich Insurance	Vehicle Insurance	£551.85	£0.00	£551.85
BACS	DCS Cleaning	Cleaning Hall	£344.00	£68.80	£412.80
BACS	E D Steel	Staple Gun, Staples, Stixall, Litter	£45.27	£9.03	£54.30
BACS	Miscellaneous	Payroll October 2025	£3,385.33	£0.00	£3,385.33
BACS	HMRC	Payroll October 2025	£1,390.83	£0.00	£1,390.83
BACS	Scuppered	Folk Band - 18/10/2025	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00
		November 2025 Payments Total	<u>£14,647.10</u>	<u>£1,397.59</u>	<u>£16,044.69</u>

Appendix 2

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	OPENING BALANCE	£ 30,688.07		
	PLUS INCOME SHEET	£101,911.33		
		£132,599.40		
	PLUS UNPRESENTED PAYMENTS		CHQS	£0.00
		£132,599.40		
			UNITY	£ 14,853.12
	MINUS EXPENDITURE	<u>£ 66,761.70</u>	SAVINGS	<u>£ 50,984.58</u>
		<u>£ 65,837.70</u>		<u>£ 65,837.70</u>