

Minutes of a Meeting of Unstone Parish Council  
Held at Moorland View Elderly People's Club, Apperknowle  
On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

**Present:** Cllrs J. Elliott; M. Lilleyman; T. Rogers; and R. Smith:

- In attendance:** A. P. Jones (Clerk); E Smith (RFO); M. Brown (Hall Caretaker); PC Sally Horner and 11 members of the public; Cllrs S. Hopkinson, K. Fisher, K. Perkins and V. Tebbs and D C Cllr J. Hill gave apologies for absence.
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- a) PC Sally Horner reported regarding the graffiti vandals court cases. There will be a new hearing on 1<sup>st</sup> April. The Community Speed Watch will be launched in March with a training session for public. There are ongoing Speed checks on Sheffield Road. Councillors reported regular fly tipping on an industrial scale on Morton Lane. Sally agreed to notify the mobile officers the details of the times of fly-tipping.
- 131/15 b) There was no District Councillors Report
- 132/15 c) Cllr M. Lilleyman gave a report on behalf of County Councillor Janet Hill. The key issue is spending cuts and a public consultation on which services to cut.
- 133/15 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016 had been circulated. It was resolved that they be approved, and they were signed by the meeting Chair.
- 134/15 Matters Arising - The Clerk received Cllr Rogers Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.
- 135/15 There were no confidential items.
- 136/15 There were no Chair's announcements.
- 137/15 Clerk's Report/Correspondence
- 137/15 .1 Casual Vacancies. The notices are on notice boards and on the website. The deadline for electors to request that the vacancies be filled by election is 25<sup>th</sup> February. If there are less than 10 requests the Clerk will post notices inviting expressions of interest.
- 137/15 .2 NEDDC advises that for "*where a manufacturer has gone out of business, all you can do is inspect the equipment on a regular basis to ensure that it is in a safe and usable condition. Should any item be unsafe i.e. due to wear and tear etc. then the item should immobilised until either repaired or removed.*" The Caretaker will act on this advice.
- 137/15 .3 A public meeting with Alan Charles Police and Crime Commissioner, to discuss the closure of Dronfield Police Station has been arranged by the Clerk in liaison with Natascha Engel's office. The meeting will be at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at Gosforth Lodge, Cliffe Park. There will be more publicity for this event nearer the date. Councillors and members of the public are encouraged to attend.
- 137/15 .4 Highways Infrastructure Asset Management Strategy – consultation. This was noted. Councillors and members of the public are encouraged to respond individually.
- 138/15 Items raised by Councillors.
- 138/15 .1 The Clean for the Queen event was discussed. Councillors and public were made aware of clean-up venues and dates.
- 138/15 .2 Work on the first aspect of the Peak Resort Development (the bridleway) is due to start in Spring 2016.
- 138/15 .3 Reduced Hall hire fees for charity events. It was agreed that this does not arise very often and any reduced fees could be agreed on an individual event basis.
- 139/15 It was noted that DALC circulars 1 and 2 of 2016 and other relevant correspondence had been circulated. Copies available from the Clerk.
- 140/15 Parish Facilities - Caretaker's report of work done. (FHM Hall matters reported under CHMC minutes)
- 140/15 .1 Routine park inspections and Litter picks etc. have been carried out.
- 140/15 .2 Checks on Grit Bins, Dog Bins, Litter Bins and Notice Boards.  
Broken Grit Bin at bottom of Quarry Lane should last this winter but will need changing before next winter.  
Grit Bin on Whittington Lane full of water. Drain holes drilled. May need a latch to stop lid blowing up.
- 140/15 .3 Routine inspections and tidying of bus stops carried out.
- 140/15 .4 Re painting and wood replacement on benches at various locations (ongoing).
- 140/15 .5 Repainting of play equipment at Whittington Park.
- 140/15 .6 Dog fouling signs erected at Whittington Park and Unstone Line.

- 140/15 .7 Broken slide support leg at Sharman Park repaired.
- 140/15 .8 Fit new chain and combination padlock at Whittington Park.
- 140/15 .9 Two lots of fly-tipping reported to NEDDC (at Whittington Lane and Windmill Lane).
- 140/15 .10 Wind damage to roof/guttering on substation building adjacent to Sharman Play area reported to Western Power.
- 140/15 .11 Overhanging branches over the wall between Unstone Junior School and Unstone Nursery could become a problem for pedestrians.
- 140/15 .12 New machinery has arrived and all security is in place for storage.
- 140/15 .13 Flooding at Community Hall grounds to be reported to DCC (road drainage inadequate/blocked). Access becoming dangerous.
- 140/15 .14 The request to authorise Caretaker Training for new Grounds Maintenance equipment was unanimously approved. (RFO to report costs).
- 141/15 Parish Facilities – RFO’s report.
- 141/15 .1 The RFO’s report had been circulated and was approved.
- 141/15 .2 It was agreed to appoint Brian Wood as Internal Auditor for 2015/16.
- 141/15 .3 It was agreed to opt in to DALC External Audit by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- 141/15 .4 No supporting letters have so far been received for the grant application for the hall roof.
- 141/15 .5 British Gas maintenance contract for 12 months @ £558.91 + VAT was considered and approved.
- 142/15 .6 Cheque/BACs request for February a total of £4,425.60 was unanimously approved along with current income sheet and bank reconciliation.
- 142/15 .7 A donation of £100 to Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centres was approved.
- 143/15 .1 To Consider Planning Applications/ Appeals
- a) NED 16/00037/FLHPD Notification under householder neighbour consultation scheme for single storey rear extension at 24 St Johns Road Unstone Dronfield for B Layton. UPC had no objection.
- b) NED 15/01298/FL Change of use and extension to existing building to create dwelling (Revised Scheme of 13/00475/FL) at Land And Buildings On The South East Side Of 1 Spring bank Unstone for Mr Lee Gordon. UPC had no comment.
- c) Notice of withdrawn application NED 15/01264/OL was noted.
- 143/15 .2 To note Planning Decisions:  
NED15/01160/FLH Construction of single detached garage (Amended Plans) at Valley View St Johns Road Unstone Dronfield for Mr And Mrs Ian and Julia Mawbey. Conditionally Approved. Noted.
- 144/15 Public Participation
- 144/15 .1 Residents of Spring Bank reported that following the lane improvement carried out by NEDDC, further damage has been done by various heavy vehicles driving across the lane such that the lane is now worse than before the resurfacing work. Residents will write again to Mrs Cooper at NEDDC asking again for help. It was noted that now the post van refuses to deliver. The Clerk was asked to write again in support of the residents.
- 144/15 .2 A resident said that Summerley is a ‘forgotten village’ and asked if it could have its own sign. This was noted though no decision was taken.
- 144/15 .3 A member of the public commented that that the advice from NEDDC with regard to repair of playground equipment was unsatisfactory, and he offered to liaise with NEDDC to find appropriate replacement parts or companies suitable to carry out repair works. Councillors made no decision at the meeting.
- 145/15 The next meeting was confirmed as 7.30 p.m. Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016. (A week later than usual due to attendance problems.)
- 146/15 No further items were noted for the March 2016 agenda.  
The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.