

Minutes of a Meeting of Unstone Parish Council
Held at Moorland View Elderly People's Club, Apperknowle
On Thursday 19th January 2017.

- Present: Cllr S Hopkinson (Chair), Cllrs A Dale, J Elliott, K Fisher, J Hill, M Lilleyman, T Rogers, R L Smith
- In attendance: A P Jones (Clerk), J Clayton (Incoming Clerk), E Smith (RFO) M Brown (Caretaker) and 48 members of the public.
- 106/16 Apologies for absence were received from; Cllrs K Perkins, V Tebbs, District Cllr V R Smith (NEDDC) and PC Sally Horner.
- 107/16 Variation to order of Business. The Chair allowed some members of the public from outside the parish together with several of Unstone electorate to contribute to the meeting due to the potential cross border impact of 9.1 the INEOS application to carry out a survey for fracking between Unstone and Eckington. The item was brought forward to the commencement of the meeting. Item 10.1 Peak Resort, was also brought forward due to time constraints
- 108/16 Cllr Terry Rogers declared an interest in items; 113/16.3 Request for a Cultivation License for verges at West Handley and item 114/16.2 the unlawful scrap business allegedly being run at the Rose Nursery at West Handley. Cllr Hill declared an interest in item 109/16 a) the INEOS application, due to her position on the Planning Committee. Cllrs Rogers and Hill will not take place in discussion on these items respectively.
- 109/16 Public Participation
- 109/16 a) INEOS – Members of Eckington against Fracking, requested cross border support to oppose the INEOS application due the potential negative environmental impact posed by the proposed test drilling. An Environmental Impact assessment was requested, due to the detrimental effect on the local road network, by 26th January 2017. Cllrs agreed UPC would send a statement in support of the group. *(Clerks Note, letter sent & acknowledged 24.01.17)*
- 109/16 b) Rupert Carr informed the meeting that the Peak Resort was making good progress, local footpaths and bridleways were due to be open in May, fencing was due to be completed in July and the roundabout due for completion in September. A drilling soil assessment on the land, was due to take place, for insurance purposes. John Dunn, was now our Liaison Officer and his details would be forwarded to the UPC Peak Resort Liaison Committee to ensure UPC was kept regularly updated.
- 109/16 c) Dronfield & Unstone Cycling Infrastructure, Alan Marsden & Gary Thompson form Derbyshire County Council, presented their proposals to roll out a pedestrian and cycle route along the B6057 through Unstone to the A61. Councillors discussed concerns regarding the limited road width available, the impact of the new housing development, parking on the pathways at Unstone and ensuring a safe crossing point for children near Unstone School. Mr Marsden agreed to investigate the effect the high numbers of vehicles around Unstone School at school drop off and pick up times and assess how this would impact on the proposal. UPC were in general agreement with the proposals. Further consultation will take place on more detailed proposals in due course.
- 109/16 d) The Police Liaison Officers report had been circulated to all members, with only one incident recorded in the past month.
- 109/16 e) Report of the County Council/District Council Members, to be circulated by e mail due to time constraints.
- 110/16 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th November 2016 had been circulated. They were approved and signed by the Chair.
- 111/16 There were no confidential items.
- 112/16 Chair's announcements.
- 112/16 .1 The Chair informed the meeting that December's event was very successful and two letters of appreciation had been received, one from John & Ann Almond and one from Gill Tutt. The Chair also expressed her gratitude to Cllrs Smith, Rogers, Lilleyman and to the Caretaker Martin for invaluable assistance on the day.
- 112/16 .2 The Chair also thanked Allyson Jones for all her assistance over the past 4 + years and wished her well for the future. She was presented with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of UPC
- 113/16 Clerk's Report/Correspondence.
- 113/16 .1 The Clerk had received notice of an expected planning application for a fracking survey to be carried out by INEOS between Apperknowle and Eckington. This had been covered under item 109/16 a).
- 113/16 .2 A request for donation to DUWC had been received. It was agreed to donate £50.
- 113/16 .3 Correspondence re Cultivation Licenses – NEDDC had requested that 2 signatories from UPC be named for the license documents. The Chair and Vice Chair agreed to act as signatories for the licenses. A letter had been received requesting that an area be omitted from the West Handley verges cultivation license. The Clerk had established that this was an area not included in the original application. Cllr Rogers requested a copy of the verges cultivation license when it was received. *(Clerk's Note Cultivation Licenses for two flower beds now received)*
- 114/16 Items Raised by Councillors.
- 114/16 .1 Peak Resort Update, item 101/17 refers
- 114/16 .2 Update on West Handley Nursery planning and enforcement issues. The Planning Application has been granted so now the enforcement team will be able to deal with the owner based on him adhering to the terms of that planning application.
- 114/16 .3 Further incidents of fly tipping have been experienced within the Parish, particularly on Morton Lane. The incidents have been reported to the Police. It was agreed that this issue will be regularly reported at UPC meetings and a report sent to the Police and Environment Agency on each occasion.

- 114/16 .4 Cllr Smith expressed his concern regarding lack of a Parish Newsletter and the current issues with the website. This matter will be brought forward to the February meeting.
- 114/16 .5 Cllr Smith reminded the meeting that the Clerk had circulated notice that from 30th January 2017 DCC Highways Dept. would commence a two-month street light replacement scheme. This would involve converting the old street lights to new LED ones, as part of an invest to save scheme.
- 114/16 Cllr Smith proposed that the UPC Speed Awareness Group be linked in with the Coal Aston and Dronfield Group, this was agreed.
- 115/16 It was noted that DALC circulars up to and including 01 2017 and other relevant correspondence had been circulated. Copies are available from the Clerk.
- 116/16 Parish Facilities – Caretakers Report. This is given at Appendix 1, and had been circulated to Councillors.
- 117/16 RFO's report.
- 117/16 .1 The 2017/18 Budget and Precept were approved. Proposed by the Chair, seconded by Cllr Lilleyman and unanimously agreed.
- 117/16 .2 The RFO's financial report had been circulated and was approved. A paper copy is filed with the minutes.
- 117/16 .3 Cheque/BACs request for December - £4,134.08 & January - £4,567.39, were unanimously approved along with current income sheet and bank reconciliation.
- .4 A contribution of £100 was made to Derbyshire Unemployed Worker's Centre.
- 117/16 .5 The RFO informed the meeting that she had consulted DALC for guidance and recommended that the cost of the new roof could be met from reserves. It was agreed to proceed without applying for a PWLB loan.
- 117/16 .6 The Seniors Christmas Party had contributed £70.65 and £108 to Ashgate Hospice.
- 118/16 .1 To Consider Planning Applications/ Appeals.
- a) NED 16/01319/FLH 2 storey rear extension 7 Ramshaw Road. Cllrs had no concerns with this planning application.
- b) NED 16/01267/FLH alterations to garage Badger's Croft, Hundall Lane. (Received after agenda issued). Cllrs had no concerns with this planning application.
- c) NED 16/00902/TPO Application to crown reduce Ash tree at Park Gate Farm. (Received after agenda issued). Cllrs had no concerns with this application.
- d) NED 16/00794/FLH Extension at 1, Springbank. It was noted that this application had been withdrawn.
- 118/16 .2 Planning Decisions. None had been received prior to issuing the agenda, however subsequently the Clerk had received the following decisions -
- a) NED 16/01120/FLH 45, Barrack Road, side extension approved.
- b) NED 16/01141/FL Dwelling and garage Old Thatch, Crow Lane, approved.
- c) NED 16/01173/DISCON of 15/01134/FL, Manor Farm. Conditions were discharged.
- 118/16.2 a) b) c) and d) were noted.
- 119/17 Public Participation: no issues raised
- 120/17 The next meeting was confirmed at Thursday 16th February 2017
- 121/17 Items for the February 2017 Agenda
- INEOS application; Peak Resort Update; West Handley Nursery; Fly Tipping; The appointment of Brian Wood as Internal Auditor; Newsletter; Website.
- The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Appendix 1

Caretaker's Report.

Community hall:

1. Drains blocked before Christmas - managed to sort it myself with rods etc.
2. British gas fitted a new part to the boiler - recommended to prolong life of the boiler
3. Work under way to paint the Kitchen and toilets - this will be ongoing over the winter period.

Warden/grounds

1. Routine checks on Bus stops, bins, dog bins, grit bins etc. around parish
2. Routine park inspections and litter picks
3. Replaced broken bollard at community hall (someone had driven over it and through the old entrance)
4. Ongoing bench repairs and refurbishments
5. Work underway at Whittington and Brierley play areas to paint play equipment (weather dependent).
6. Sprayed all rubber matting with moss/algae killer - results so far are disappointing I may have to try a different approach.
7. Pruned shrubs at Ramshaw road/Main Road shrub and flower bed.
8. Minor fence repairs at Brierley play area.