

**Minutes of a Meeting of Unstone Parish Council
Held at Moorland View Elderly People's Club, Apperknowle
Thursday 17th October 2019.**

- Present:** Cllrs: Cllrs S Hopkinson (Chair), A Dale (DCC), J Elliott, J Hill, M Lilleyman, K Perkins T Rogers R Smith & V Tebbs
- In attendance:** J Clayton (Clerk) E Smith (RFO) and M Brown (Caretaker/Warden) and 21 members of the public.
- 84/19 **Apologies** –no apologies were received
- 85/19 **Public participation.** The Chair stated public participation would take place at the end of the meeting, with the exception to 94.1/19 (Peace Funerals)
- 86/19 There were no confidential items on the Agenda
- 87/19 **Declared Interests** - Cllrs Lilleyman & Dale declared an interest in 94.5/19 (JBC). Cllr Hill declared an interest in 64.6/19 (PTA request) & 97.1 (Planning).and would not take part any discussion regarding these matters.
- 88/19 **Minutes** of the UPC meeting on Thursday 19th September 2019 were accepted by all and signed by the Chair.
RESOLVED
- 89/19 **Police report:**
The following crimes have been recorded within the Parish in September.
1 Criminal damage - Mill Lane
1 Assault – Miner's Arm's. *Clerks Note this crime has been reassigned to Chesterfield area.*
RESOLVED TO NOTE
- 90/19 **DCC & NEDDC Report from Cllr Dale.**
- .1 Cllr Dale attended the CBC Planning Committee Meeting on 14th October and spoke on behalf of the Parish Council regarding the Peak Development, the application was approved.
 - .2 Flooding on Sheffield Road. Cllr Dale has reported the issue to both DCC and the Water Company to resolve the problem.
 - .3 Stagecoach was holding a consultation regarding the No 43 service.
 - .4 Rykneld had confirmed works on the flats damaged by fire at Unstone would commence shortly.
RESOLVED TO NOTE
- 91/19 **Chair's Report** - The Chair had nothing to report. **RESOLVED**
- 92/19 **Clerk's Report**
- .1 DCC have confirmed the OITH application for the bench on the triangle at West Handley has been approved. UPC are now responsible for checking and maintenance the bench. **RESOLVED**
 - .2 NEDCC District and Parish Business meeting 25th November 5pm, Cllrs wishing to attend should inform the Clerk. **RESOLVED**
 - .3 DALC Essential HR training, Cllr Rogers and the Clerk attended actions will be brought to the November meeting. **RESOLVED**
 - .4 NEDDC Dog Order the proposed report will recommend:
 - dogs excluded from areas with play equipment
 - dogs on a lead can enter the grassed area
 - an individual should have no more than 6 dogs on a lead at one time
 - owners are responsible for picking up after their dog.There may be an opportunity to link in with Street scene to share the costs of new signage.
RESOLVED TO NOTE

93/19 It was noted that DALC Circular No 11 and all relevant correspondence had been circulated, copies were available from the Clerk. RESOLVED

94/19 **Items Raised by Councillors.**

- .1 Peace Funerals Presentation - Representatives from Peace Funerals gave a presentation, regarding their land at Apperknowle. Car parking would now be for 25 cars with 2 disabled bays, pavement is in place from the near-by bus stops. York stone grave markers will be in place, with no other grave personalisation. Peace Funerals employ a maintenance crew to deal with issues on site. No lighting will be on site and no public toilets. The site would have capacity for 600 burials. Cllr. Dale reported that he had visited the peace funerals site at Ulley and found a lot of litter around the parking area. Cllr Perkins felt that the lack of toilet facilities on site may prove problematic. Members of the public raised questions regarding potential water & land contamination, the gradient of the site and rules and regulations on the site. RESOLVED TO NOTE
- .2 Speed watch update – PCSO Flowers had liaised with Cllr Dale and Cllrs Smith regarding the current provisions of the scheme and had received details of the volunteers and was hopeful that training would be arranged shortly. RESOLVED
- .3 Independent Park Inspection – the report had been circulated to all Cllrs and the following actions were agreed by all Cllrs: Sharman Park – quotations should be requested for fencing to secure the play equipment area. Brierley Park the Caretaker/Warden will ensure a bolt is fitted to the Cross Bar as soon as possible. Whittington Park – the Caretaker/Warden will address the issue with the flooring and bench. St John’s Park, the RFO will contact Kompan to request the highlighted areas on the new equipment are capped off. The Caretaker/Warden would also paint the swing frame at Sharman Park, following the recent works. RESOLVED
- .4 Neighbourhood plan - NEDDC is working with councils who wish to complete a neighbourhood plan. NEDDC will hold an initial meeting with a working group of Cllrs, to discuss which funding options were available for external agents complete the plan on the behalf of the council. A working party of Cllrs Dale, Perkins, Rogers and Smith was created, the Clerk was asked to set up an initial meeting and Cllrs would report their findings at the next UPC meeting for consideration. RESOLVED
- .5 Joint Burial Committee – Cllr Lilleyman reported that the JBC meeting scheduled for 16th September had been cancelled. Cllrs asked that the Clerk contact DTC to ascertain if a decision had been made regarding the proposal raised in June. RESOLVED
- .6 Unstone PTA – A request had been made for funding assistance to purchase new paly equipment. Cllrs agreed by majority decision to donate £500 to the scheme. RESOLVED
- .7 Summerley dog bin had been sited on the triangle area but unfortunately had been damaged. Cllrs agreed a new location for the bin. The Clerk would liaise with NEDDC and ask for the bin to be resited. RESOLVED
- .8 Apperknowle Footpath – Cllr Smith asked if DCC had provided an update on this matter, 400 local residents had signed a petition on the matter. The Clerk would contact DCC for an update. RESOLVED
- .9 *Clerk’s Note: Cllrs Hill & Lilleyman left the meeting.*

95/19 **The Caretaker/Warden’s Report:**

- .1 Routine checks on all bins, grit bins, dog bins, benches, bus stops etc around parish, park inspections and litter picking, grass cutting and weed control etc on all parish grounds. RESOLVED TO NOTE
- .2 Dog bin on Unstone green has a broken lid and won’t close correctly. Cllrs asked the Clerk to obtain a quotation from NEDDC for a new bin. RESOLVED
- .3 Two issues at Whittington play area. Someone has been riding a motorbike on the grass field and someone has hacksawed through the handrail on the children’s climbing frame/slide. The rail has been safe temporarily and will carry out a repair ASAP. The police have been informed of both issues. RESOLVED
- .4 The entrance way to Brierley play area is becoming almost unpassable due to overgrown hedge. Cllrs asked the Clerk to contact Rykneld for advice on the matter. RESOLVED. *Clerk’s Note the hedge has now been cut.*
- .5 Poppies will be put up over the next few days. RESOLVED
- .6 Our commemorative plaque for the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI has now been put up in the church and will be officially unveiled at this year’s remembrance service. RESOLVED

- .7 Summer bedding at Apperknowle/Unstone Green and the wall boxes at the hall will be cleared, in the next couple of weeks and replaced with winter plants. RESOLVED
- .8 The doors between bar and main hall replaced with a fireproof shutter. Cllrs asked quotation for the works to be sourced. RESOLVED
- .9 Works on the Community Hall Main door and the Fire doors are now required. Cllrs asked that quotations be sourced ASAP. RESOLVED
- .10 The 6 monthly Chubb fire inspection has been completed and have had 1 emergency light has failed. Quotations have been sourced and works have been carried out by the cheapest contractor for £70, this has been carried out immediately as it is a H&S matter. RESOLVED

96/19 **RFO's Report.**

- .1 The RFO's report had been circulated and was approved. RESOLVED
- .2 The Cheque /BAC's request for October £4,949.81, was unanimously approved along with the current income sheet and bank reconciliation. RESOLVED
- .3 Three quotations for bench at Brierley Park had been received the cheapest being £360, Cllrs agreed the purchase of the bench as per the lowest quote and to purchase materials to ensure a secure fit at an additional £50. RESOLVED
- .4 Three quotations for pothole repair Barrack Road had been received, ranging from £1,350 - £860. The Clerk added that NEDDC had confirmed that they do own a piece of land at that location and had asked for a copy of the relevant plan. Cllrs asked the Clerk to contact the Council and ask if they would consider making a contribution to the remedial works. RESOLVED

97/19 **Planning Applications.**

- .1 19/00902/FL | Application for change of use of land for purposes of dog breeding and construction of dog breeding kennels | Unstone House Whittington Lane Unstone Dronfield S18 4DQ. A representative was in attendance and confirmed that the property owner would be changing the set up and type of kennels in order to minimise noise.
- .2 19/00978/DISCON | Application to discharge condition 3 (Boundary Treatment) and 4 (ground levels) of planning application 18/01167/FL | Stonedge Westfield Lane Middle Handley Sheffield
- .3 19/00979/FLH | Construction of two-storey side extension and Juliet balcony to existing front bedroom | 3 Quarry Road Apperknowle Dronfield S18 4AW
- .4 19/00982/FL | Demolition of outbuildings and construction of 3 bed bungalow on land adjacent | 1 Barrack Road Apperknowle Dronfield S18 4AU. Cllrs asked that consideration be given to visibility at the access of the site
- .5 19/00995/FLH | Application for single storey rear extension | Stonedge Westfield Lane Middle Handley Sheffield S21 5RY

98/19 No objections were raised regarding the above Planning Applications but UPC made the comments as above.

99/19 **Public Participation**

- .1 Members of the public reported several shortcomings in the handling of the Peak Planning Committee and consultation process. Cllrs thanked the members of the public for bringing this matter to the attention of the parish council were very concerned about this and asked that the matter be raised with Chesterfield Borough Council. RESOLVED
- .2 A member of the public asked if the Clerk could contact the CREST team could be contacted to establish their plans for traffic enforcement within the parish. Cllrs agreed. RESOLVED
- .3 A member of the public thanked the council for inviting representatives from Peace Funerals to the meeting to address concerns and also stated that in the event of approval of the application it would be key for the company to link in with the local community moving forwards. RESOLVED

100/19 The next meeting was confirmed at Thursday 21st November 2019.

101/19 The meeting closed at 9.22pm

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