

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY, 1ST JUNE 2015 IN ST. JOHNS CHURCH, UPPER DENBY

PRESENT: Councillors Batley, Coupe (Chair), Edmondson,  
Hallos, Whitbread and J. Methley (Clerk)

(1) APOLOGIES: None received.

(2) DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None made

(3) NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN: Proposed Councillor Whitbread  
sec. Councillor Hallos that Councillor Coupe be Chairman.

He accepted this nomination and duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

(4) NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIRMAN: Proposed Councillor Hallos,  
sec. Councillor Batley that Councillor Edmondson be Vice Chair.  
He accepted.

(4a) The Clerk confirmed that the following persons were validly nominated to serve for four years  
following an uncontested election on Thursday, 7th May 2015.

Keith Batley  
Charles Coupe  
David Edmondson  
George Hallos  
Anthony Whitbread.

All validly nominated councillors signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office form which were  
passed to the Clerk for signature and filing.

(5) SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE: Councillor Batley reported that  
information received from the Crime and Safety meeting states no crimes had been committed in  
Gunthwaite. No figures are available for Ingbirchworth as this area comes under Penistone  
West. Nuisance calls are still taking place and this matter is ongoing.

(7) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Proposed Councillor  
Edmondson, sec. Councillor Whitbread that the previous minutes be signed as a correct record.

(8) ANY MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Councillor Edmondson  
again raised the problem of Service 24 run by Tates. Services for missing buses are increasing on a  
daily basis. He stated that SYPTE have a web page where concerns can be raised. On  
two consecutive days he posted his concerns but received no comments at all. As the bus failed to  
turn up he walked into Penistone and met two ladies walking back towards Ing. having been waiting  
an hour for the bus. It was agreed, that despite many assurances from SYPTE this problem is not  
getting any better and it was agreed to write again, copying in Angela Smith MP.

Councillor Hallos raised the matter of collections of mail from the box outside the village shop. The collection from this box is to be altered from 4.0 p.m. to a morning collection and the evening collection is being picked up from the box at the bottom end of the village. It was agreed to write to Royal Mail and ask for the evening collection to be reinstated to the box outside the shop on Wellthorne Lane.

(9) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

(a) Highway Matters - Proposed War Memorial. No further written information has been received. The Clerk eventually spoke to Nick Jones this morning who stated that the Heads of Terms have been drafted and will be sent out this week. If the Parish Councillors agree with this it will then be put before Cabinet for approval. If this is given the Lease will be prepared and issued. It was agreed that when this document is received the Clerk will post it to the Chairman for the councillors to look at and approve.

Any information regarding overhanging branches at Wellthorne Avenue. A letter has been received from Eric Steer which states that this tree was inspected in January by the Council's arboriculture officer. He noted that there was little wrong with the tree other than it was a bit untidy. An order was placed to prune the tree. However the residents concerns were not with the pruning but with the height of the tree.

Cable laying up New Row Lane. No information has been received by Barnsley, but from comments received from residents nearby it would appear that this work is to lay the overhead cables underground.

Water problems at the junction of New Row Lane/Mill Lane.  
No response has been received.

(b) Neighbourhood Services -The black bags requested have been provided and passed to Councillor Batley.

(c) Grit/Saltspreaders/litter bin. Councillor Edmondson reported he has spoken to John Openshaw about this matter and the application should include the number of hours which will be put in by volunteers.

Councillor Edmondson also reported on the Green and Clean Initiative following a meeting he recently attended with the Ward Alliance. He stated he had itemised bramble/bracken clearance and Gunthwaite Spa.

(d) Cardiac Machine — A recent training evening on how to use the machine was held in the Function Room at the Fountain Inn when 70 residents attended. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Dobson and also Mr. Holmes for allowing this machine and cabinet to be erected on his premises. It was suggested that we perhaps try and have two more indepth sessions for no more than 15 people in each group, with one being aimed at 12 to 18 year olds. There would be a cost of £5 per head (as a donation). Councillor Coupe is to canvas this to see if any interest would be shown. Councillor Coupe has received a report from the Ing. Community Group which states that they would

like to provide funds for another machine for the bottom end of the village. At the moment they have approx £500, are aiming at fund raising to raise the rest. If the cabinet can be provided free then they may reach the target they need.

(10) PLANNING APPLICATIONS — No applications have been received since the last meeting.

Councillor Edmondson asked if, when an application fails at the appeal stage, is the Parish Council made aware of the decision. The Clerk said no but she would contact Planning and request clarification.

(11) YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASS. - Copy of Clerks and Councils Direct and White Rose Update received and noted.

(12) CORRESPONDENCE — Notification has been received from Came & Co. that the insurance premium for the year would be £622.54 including 6% insurance premium tax. However if the Parish Council would like to take advantage of a three year term this would reduce to £591.41p. It was agreed to take the three year option.

(13) PARTH PATHS - Councillor Batley reported he has painted benches and the picnic table on Summer Ford and done some strimming. He has also cleaned out and painted the bus shelter.

Councillor Edmondson stated he has walked some of the paths and not a lot requires to be done. It was agreed to write to Sarah Ford and request the rangers look at Path 3/3C to 3/15A, Gunthwaite to Huddersfield Road (behind Rose Mead). The hawthorne hedge is growing and needs to be cut back so walkers do not injure themselves walking too near the wire fence.

(14) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - Three accounts were put forward for payment and the necessary cheques drawn and signed;

359	K. Batley	Paint and fuel for strimmer	£17.00
360	Broker Network	Insurance premium	£591.41
361	Insurance		
	D. Edmondson	Tree ties for football field	£7.80

(15) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on the 6TH JULY and not the 6<sup>th</sup> as originally agreed, at 7.30 p.m. in St. Johns Church, Upper Denbt Denby.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35 pm

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_