

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE SCHOOLROOM ON TUESDAY, 24TH MAY, 1949, AT 7.30 P.M.

There were present:

Messrs. C. W. Langley, D. Pearson, J. M. Plumley, S. A. Siggs and E. J. Walkling, together with the Clerk.

A Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed by each Councillor present.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. L. A. Easy.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN. Mr. E. J. Walkling was unanimously elected Chairman for the ensuing year on the proposition of Mr. D. Pearson seconded by Mr. C. W. Langley. Mr. Walkling then extended a hearty welcome to the new Councillors and expressed the hope that they would enjoy their term of office. Although our powers are limited, he said, we do provide a very valuable connecting link between the County and the Parish and so help to preserve the old democratic voluntary spirit.

RESIGNATION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR: A letter of resignation was received from Dr. R. M. Woodman. This was accepted with regret, the Clerk being instructed to thank him for his past services. The question of filling the vacancy was left over to the next meeting.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. Fen Road Ditch. The Chairman and Mr. D. Pearson had interviewed Col. E. A. Knights, Manager of The Eastern Electricity Board Fens Sub-Area, who had promised to clear the outlet from the lake in an endeavour to ensure a quicker flow. Mr. Pearson undertook to clear the ditch from the lake sufficiently to receive the outflow.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN. On the proposition of Mr. S. A. Siggs seconded by Rev. J. M. Plumley, Mr. D. Pearson was unanimously appointed Vice-Chairman.

APPOINTMENT OF CHARITY TRUSTEES. The following were unanimously appointed Representative Trustees to Milton Parochial Charities:-

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| Mr. C. W. Langley | - Proposed | Mr. D. Pearson, | seconded | S. A. Siggs |
| Mr. D. Pearson | - | " Rev. J.M.Plumely, | " | C.W.Langley. |
| Mr. S. A. Siggs | - | " Mr. E.J.Walkling, | " | D.Pearson. |
| Mr. E. J. Walkling- | " | Mr. S.A.Siggs, | " | J.M.Plumley. |

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE ON MILTON SCHOOL MANAGING BODY. Mr. S. A. Siggs was unanimously appointed on the proposition of Mr. D. Pearson seconded by Mr. C. W. Langley..

PARISH COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION - Annual Meeting. Mr. S. A. Siggs was appointed representative to attend the Cambridgeshire Parish Councils' Association Annual Meeting to be held at the Guildhall on Saturday 11th June, 1949.

National Association Conference.
This matter was adjourned to the next meeting.

PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION - Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting was arranged for 3rd June, 1949 and Mr. S. A. Siggs was appointed delegate to attend.

VILLAGE HALL SITE. Mr. S. A. Siggs as Chairman of the Planning and Building Committee reported on the negotiations for the purchase of a site for a Village Hall and Childrens' Playground. To date, Miss E. M. Robinson, the owner of the proposed site known as The Green, had flatly refused to negotiate the sale. It was felt that as the Planning and Building Committee's suggestion for the development of this particular site coincided with that of the County Planning Committee, a letter from the County Planning Officer to Miss Robinson might help persuade her to negotiate. It was therefore agreed that Mr. Siggs pursue this course.

WAR MEMORIAL. The Clerk reported that Messrs. Ivett & Reed would complete the engraving of the War Memorial in time for any unveiling ceremony which it might be desired to arrange. After discussion it was agreed that the unveiling ceremony be held on Whitsunday, 5th June, at 3.0 p.m. and that an invitation be extended to the Milton Branch British Legion for one of their members to perform the actual unveiling. Arrangements were left to Rev. J. M. Plumley and the Clerk.

The state of the footpath outside the Petrol Pumps was reported to be in a very rough condition due to cars running over it to and from the pumps. The Clerk was instructed to draw this matter to the attention of the County Surveyor and suggest that a proper kerb be laid to keep cars within bounds.

It was thought that an additional postbox was required in the vicinity of the Petrol Pumps. The Clerk was instructed to forward this suggestion to the Postmaster.

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on Tuesday, 7th June, 1949.

This concluded the business and the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

J. A. Walker

Chairman.

7th June 1949.

I, G. W. Venham of Milton, hereby declare that I accept the office of Parish Councillor for the parish of Milton.

This declaration was signed in the presence of:

J. A. Walker Chairman

Dated this 25th day of October One thousand nine hundred and forty nine.