MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE SCHOOLROOM ON FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1950, AT 8.0 P.M.

There were present:-

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman,
Langley D. Pearson and A. W. Wenham, together

Messrs. C. W. Langley, D. Pearson and A. W. Wenham, together with the Clerk.

APOLOGIES. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. S. A. Siggs and Rev. J. M. Plumley.

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

RECREATION GROUND. Arising from the Council's decision, taken at the previous meeting, to apply to the County Planning Officer for O.S.P. 149 to be scheduled as a Public Open Space came a letter from the County Planning Department pointing out that whereas O.S.P. 153 (Pound Piece) already scheduled as a public open space was owned by a willing seller, unless O.S.P. 149 (behind the Petrol Pumps) was also owned by a willing seller the County Council might not be in a position to exercise their compulsory powers on behalf of the Parish Council. It was resolved to reply to the County Planning Officer that after careful consideration it was the unanimous opinion of the Council that O.S.P. 153 was totally unsuitable for a recreation ground having regard to the nature of the soil and its distance from the village now that the centre of population tended to be centred round the Cambridge Road area. On the other hand it was their firm opinion that O.S.P. 149 was ideally suitable for a recreation ground having regard to its area, nature of soil and situation, and it was strongly recommended that this site be now earmarked for a recreation ground.

SUPPLY OF GAS. A letter was received from the Cambridge District of the Eastern Gas Board intimating that the laying of a gas main to the village was almost complete and this would ensure an adequate supply of gas for all who wished to take advantage of it. The Clerk was able to report that this work had been completed and a supply of gas was now available. Appreciation was expressed for this additional service and it was hoped that inhabitants would avail themselves of the facility offered.

FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN, 1951. A request had been made by Impington Village College that publicity be given to a Pageant they are presenting in connection with the Festival of Britain, 1951. It was agreed to accede to this request.

PARISH COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION. The Autumn Conference was being held in the Guildhall, Cambridge, on Saturday 28th October, 1950, to which all Councillors and the Clerk were invited.

PROVISION OF BUS SHELTERS. It was announced that as part of the plans for the Festival of Britain 1951, the Festival Office had agreed to sponsor the building of a limited number of bus shelters by Parish Councils. Applications for grants could be made to the County Council, Rural District Council and the local Education Committee. Voluntary contributions might also be forthcoming and any balance could be a charge on the rates. It was unanimously agreed to apply for a Bus Shelter.

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BILLS FOR PAYMENT. The following bills were authorised to be paid on the proposition of Mr. D. Pearson seconded by Mr. A. W. Wenham: -

County Land Agent. £7. 19s. ld. Rent of Allotments to Michaelmas. 1950.

G. Mead.

£2. 10s. Od. Memorail Caretaker's salary for

year to Michaelmas, 1950. Os. Od. Clerk's salary for half-year

£8. £2.

ending Michaelmas, 1950.

Os. Od. Waterman's salary for half-year

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L. F. Coulson.

12s. 6d. Erecting concrete cill at Bankers Ditch (entrance from river.)

£21. ls. 7d.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. The Clerk reported a request he had receifor the provision of a bus time-table at the Petrol Pumps. It The Clerk reported a request he had received was agreed to approach the Eastern Counties Omnibus Company asking that a time-table be provided at this site.

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

Chairman.

31.10.50