

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE SCHOOLROOM ON TUESDAY, 31ST  
OCTOBER, 1950, AT 7.30 P.M.

There were present:

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman;

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

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

RECREATION GROUND. The Clerk reported a letter from the County Planning Department to the effect that while no objection was offered to O.S.P. 149 being scheduled as a Public Open Space they preferred not to change the official reservation from O.S.P. 153 to O.S.P. 149 at the present time. It was therefore possible for negotiations to continue for the acquisition of O.S.P. 149. A further letter was received from the Planning Department asking if negotiations for the acquisition of O.S.P. 149 had progressed sufficiently to enable any claim on O.S.P. 153 to be relinquished.

The Chairman reported that he had received information to the effect that O.S.P. 139 in the ownership of Gonville and Caius College and at the moment unoccupied, was in the market. The field, at the rear of the Council Houses next to the Baptist Chapel, contained approximately  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres. A discussion arose as to the suitability of this field for a Recreation Ground and although it was thought to be rather on the small side it was preferable to O.S.P. 153, and further, as it was known that the owner of O.S.P. 149 was not a willing seller it was agreed that negotiations be put in hand to acquire O.S.P. 139. The Chairman was also able to report that the Chesterton Rural District Council had certain powers which enabled them to purchase a recreation ground and hand it over to a Parish Council who would be responsible for maintenance. It was therefore unanimously agreed that Chesterton Rural District Council be asked to exercise their powers and endeavour to acquire O.S.P. 139 as a recreation ground. The Clerk was authorised to write accordingly.

It was further agreed that provided this site could be obtained and the Town and Country Planning Authority offered no objection to the development of this site as a public open space, or failing this, then the acquisition of O.S.P. 149, the Parish Council were willing to relinquish any claim to O.S.P. 153.

FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN, 1951. The Chairman presented a letter from the Cambridgeshire County Council asking for the co-operation of the Parish Council in this nation wide Festival. It was decided to appoint a Festival of Britain Advisory Committee, but that appointment of this Committee be deferred until January 1951.

MONIES RECEIVED. The Clerk reported the receipt of the following monies:-

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| Rents to Michaelmas, 1950<br>as per page 36 of Rent<br>Register. | £13. 9. 9d. |
| X Chesterton Rural District<br>Council - Precept.                | £16. 0. 0d. |
|  | £29. 9. 9d. |

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8 BILLS FOR PAYMENT. The Clerk reported that the rent paid to Cambridgeshire County Council in respect of allotments for the half year ended Michaelmas, 1950, was underpaid by an amount of 4s. 4d. It was agreed that a cheque be drawn for this amount.

STREET LIGHTING. The Clerk reported that in accordance with negotiations commenced in 1946 street lights had now been erected at the seven selected sites and lighting commenced on 20th October, 1950.

In this connection Mr. C. W. Langley suggested that an additional standard was really necessary at a point on the east side of the road approximately midway between the standards at the junction of Landbeach and Waterbeach Roads and opposite the War Memorial. The road at this point forms a bottleneck on a curve and is a black spot. The Clerk was accordingly instructed to enquire from the Chesterton Rural District Council whether an additional lamp standard could be provided.

Mr. C. W. Langley also raised the question of an additional bus stop in the vicinity of the houses on the Landbeach Road, and the provision of Bus Stop signs at the recognised picking up places. The Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Eastern Counties Omnibus Company asking if arrangements could be made to concede with the Council's requests.

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

*W. H. Walker*

Chairman.

20.11.50