

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH
COUNCIL HELD IN THE SCHOOLROOM ON
TUESDAY, 31ST MARCH 1953, AT 7.15 P.M.

There were Present:-

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman.

Mrs. D. Pearson, Mrs. C. W. Langley, Mr. S. A. Siggs
and Mr. A. W. Wenham, together with the Clerk.

Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Mr. C. W. Langley.

The Chairman welcome Mr. R. Fulcher, Secretarial Officer, Eastern Electricity Board, Fens Sub-Area, who attended in order that certain points in connection with the Lake at Milton Hall might be clarified.

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th February 1953 were confirmed and signed.

Matters arising from Minutes

Ditch in Butt Lane. The Chairman reported that this matter had been discussed by the Ditches and Drains Committee of the Chesterton Rural District Council who still contended that the ditch was a private ditch for which the Rural District Council could accept no responsibility. It was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance until the special Sub-Committee appointed at the last meeting had met.

Barrier at School Gate. The Cambridgeshire Education Committee had given instructions for a suitable barrier to be erected.

Street Lighting. The Chairman reported that the application for a street light at Bene't Close had been favourably considered by the Rural District Council who were obtaining a quotation for the provision of two additional street lights.

Roads and Footpaths. The County Council had agreed to undertake necessary repairs to Fen Road outside the limits of the built-up area and also to provide a footpath along Cambridge Road to Bene't Close.

Site of Blacksmith's Shop. The Clerk submitted the proposals of the County Council for the improvement of this site. These were the erection of an island incorporating the sites of the blacksmith's shop, the parish pump and the War Memorial; the island to be turfed or planted as a garden if the Parish Council so wished. The proposals were generally agreed.

Lake, Milton Hall

Mr. R. Fulcher explained that the Board realised its responsibilities under the Public Health Acts and was doing everything possible to permit a free passage of water by cutting a channel through the lake, but this was continually being blocked up due in no small measure to the effluent from Milton Laundry. The Board hoped that eventually they could pipe and fill in the lake, but at the moment this could not even be contemplated. In the meantime, they were anxious to help alleviate the trouble and sought an assurance that the laundry would be connected to the main sewer. The Chairman expressed

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the opinion that the laundry would be amongst the first to be connected to the sewer as they were most anxious to stop the nuisance.

Gravel Pit Pasture.

The Chairman reported that this pasture was formerly used for digging gravel for the upkeep of roads and in the ownership of the Parish Overseers. The functions of Parish Overseers had now vested in the Rural District Council who claimed the title to Gravel Pit Pasture. The Clerk was, therefore, instructed to inform Mr. R. J. Green accordingly.

Footpath Survey.

The draft Footpath Map would be available for inspection at the County Council until 1st April 1953 after which date objections to any footpaths would be heard by Tribunals appointed by the County Council.

Bills for Payment

On the proposition of Mr. S. A. Siggs, seconded by Mr. D. Pearson, the following bills were authorised to be paid:-

County Agricultural Officer	£8.12. 9.	Rent of Allotments to Lady Day 1953.
L. F. Coulson	6. 0.	Hire of Schoolroom for meetings to 31.3.53.
	12. 0.	Cleaning Schoolroom for meetings to 31.3.53.
	2. 6.	Rent of Notice Board for year.
	4. 0. 0.	Clerk's salary for quarter to 31.3.53.
	1. 0. 0.	Waterman's salary for quarter to 31.3.53.
	2. 7. 5.	Postages, stationery for year to 31.3.53.

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

Sy. Wallis
Chairman.

26 July 1953.