462. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed the next meeting be held on Tuesday, 24th November, 1959, at 7.0 p.m.

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

Members then adjourned to the Village Hall to inspect the decorations in progress.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1959, AT 8.0 P.M.

There were present:-

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman of the Parish Council, in the Chair;

Messrs. L. C. Edwards. L. Maxwell Forbes, D. Pearson, S. A. Siggs and A. Wayman; Mrs. L. F. Coulson, Mrs. A. Edwards, Mrs. L. C. Edwards, Mrs. D. Pearson and Mrs. A. Willett, together with Mr. L. F. Coulson, Clerk of the Parish Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr. H. Hartley and the Rev. Dr. N. Turner.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 25th March, 1958, were read, confirmed by the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

A.10 Trunk Road - The Clerk reported that there had been no response from the County Council concerning the faulty construction of the road opposite the Cambridge Road bus shelter, which fault prevented water from flowing freely into the surface water drain. It was agreed this matter be again reported to the County Council.

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464. PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS.

The Clerk presented the Parish Council Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1958. These were inspected and unanimously adopted.

465. MILTON PAROCHIAL CHARITIES ACCOUNTS.

The Clerk presented the Accounts of Milton Parochial Charities for the year ended 31st December, 1958. A total of £78 was distributed as follows:-

Milton School Managers

Milton Church Fabric Fund

Chesterton Rural District Council
Road Fund

Village Fund

£17

The Village Fund was distributed in the form of coal; thirty-five old age pensioners, widows and widowers as selected by the Trustees each receiving 2 cwts.

After inspection, the accounts were unanimously adopted.

466. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

The Chirman reported on the year's work of the Parish Council, which, although not spectacular, had nevertheless been a year of steady progress. Seven meetings had been held. Litter bins had been provided in the two bus shelters and a considerable improvement had been noticeable in the bus service, the bus company having substituted double decker buses for single deckers at certain peak periods.

The centre of the village had been tidied up by the removal of the old cycle shop and the two mobile showrooms.

Mr. Siggs had represented the Council at a Local Inquiry into the unauthorised sale of second-hand cars on a site opposite Bene't Farm. As a result of such Inquiry the sale of cars had ceased.

Consultation had taken place with the County Council Planning Department concerning a Green Belt which it was agreed it was most essential to preserve between the village and the City.

A Civil Defence Officer had attended one of the Council Meetings and had explained the proposed emergency warning system in the event of radio active fall-out becoming imminent.

The County Council had now agreed to include in their 1959/60 programme the resurfacing and kerbing of Fen Road adjacent to the new development. It was hoped, too, that street lighting would be provided.

Mrs. Pearson had been elected the Council's representative on Impington Village College Managing Body in place of Mr. Siggs, who had resigned from this body after a period of nine years.

Sympathetic reference was made to the recent death of a former member of the Parish Council, Mr. J. Bradnam.

Finally the Chairman paid tribute to his fellow

Councillors and to the Clerk for their help and support during the year.

467. CHESTERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

The Chairman as the parish representative on the Chesterton Rural District Council, gave a resume of that Council's work as it had affected the village. He referred particularly to the marked change over the past year or so in the demand for Council houses now that the facilities for private house loans from local authorities were so much less restricted. The demand for Council houses had fallen off to such an extent that the Rural District Council had decided not to build any more houses for general needs, but only for slum clearance. Eight houses in the village were scheduled for demolition.

468. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

It had been hoped to receive a report from the County Council representative, but Dr. Hartley had left for a visit to America a day or two previously. The meeting expressed the hope that he would have a very happy voyage.

469. MILTON SCHOOL MANAGERS REPORT.

Mr. L. Maxwell Forbes presented his report as the Council's representative of the School Managers. Three meetings had been held and the new school had opened in September, 1958. There were at present 42 pupils, 20 of whom stayed for their mid-day meal. The new buildings and equipment were excellent. Certain facilities were lacking but the headmistress had reported these to the County Education Authority. Work had started on the school garden and it was hoped to see the adjoining playing field under preparation in the summer. The official opening of the school would probably be towards the end of May.

470. IMPINGTON VILLAGE COLLEGE.

Mr. Siggs reported that he had attended four meetings of the Managing Body during the year. Eight additional acres had recently been acquired for playing fields for the 600 pupils, and planning was now going ahead for a gymnasium. There had been quite a number of successes in the G.C.E., some children having passed in seven subjects. The Grammar School scheme, introduced as an experiment in a Secondary Modern School, was also working very satisfactorily. Finally, Mr. Siggs who was resigning as the Council's representative on the Managing Body after a period of nine years, wished his successor as interesting and rewarding a time as he had had during his term of office.

471. MILTON VILLAGE HALL.

Mr. D. Pearson as Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee reported that the hall had been let successfully during the year. Whist Drives continued to flourish and the Youth Clubs had been meeting two and three times a week during school terms. It was hoped shortly to repair and redecorate the hall.

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MILTON OVER 60'S CLUB.

Mrs. Pearson reported on the activities of the Over 60's Club. There were now 52 members, and meetings were held weekly with an average attendance of 23. Whist Drives were held every week in aid of funds and had resulted in a summer outing and a Christmas Party being provided for members. Unfortunately, several members had died during the year, and one member as a token of the many happy times she had spent at the Club left a small legacy which had been used to purchase crockery.

Mrs. Burling, the Club's correspondent, expressed thanks to the Parish Council for the free use of the hall which concession helped enormously to the pleasure derived by members.

The Chairman concluded the meeting by thanking all those who had presented such interesting reports, and the parishioners for their attendance and for the interest they showed in local government affairs.

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