

2144 - STATE OF DITCH The Clerk said he would make inquiries
BOUNDING GODING WAY about this ditch from the R.D.C. Mrs.
Jones said the portion bounding her
garden needed cleaning.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed *D. Pearson*Chairman

Date *May 1st 1973*

A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
TUESDAY, MAY 1st, 1973, AT 7.30 P.M.

Present: Mr. D. Pearson (in the Chair); Mrs M. Jones and Mrs B. Waterson; Messrs H.W.H. Easy, L.M. Forbes, P. Kiddle and R.T. Summerfield, with the Clerk. Mr. Humphrey Warren (Hon. Sec. Water Park Sub-Committee of Cambs. Sports Advisory Council) was in attendance during the evening.

Apologies: Messrs M.J.D. Nurse and A.W. Wenham.

2145 - MINUTES The Minutes of the meeting of April 3 1973, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE AND EARLIER MINUTES.

2146 - MESSRS STOKES INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT & PROPOSED RECREATIONAL AREA (2103) The Clerk reported a further reply from the Deputy Planning Officer (Mr. D.B. Peace). He said that all the owners of the land in Stage 1 of the proposed recreational area and representatives of the Parish Council would soon be invited to meet the County Land Agent and himself when he would explain the Planning Authority's short and long-term proposals.

Mr. Kiddle thought that the letter did not really satisfactorily answer this Council's request for representation on the appropriate executive body which would develop and administer the Recreational Park.

2147 - P.C.C. GRANT LANDBEACH ROAD CEMETERY (2122) The Clerk reported further correspondence with the Secretary of Milton P.C.C. inquiring as to the possibility of receiving a contribution towards upkeep of the Cemetery covering 1970, 71 & 72.

It was proposed by Mr. Kiddle, seconded by Mr. Summerfield that the Clerk reply suggesting that the necessary work be put in hand, the Council being provided with a copy of the bill, when they will be prepared to make a substantial contribution. This was agreed unanimously.

2148 - STATE OF THE HALINGWAY (2123) This matter being again raised (it had also been raised by members of the public at the A.P.M. in March) the Clerk was instructed to write again to the Conservators pointing out the unsatisfactory nature of their recent replies and that this Council feel the requests by the public at the A.P.M. for complete repair to be very reasonable, and that in the interests of public safety the length in question should be completely re-surfaced - reminding the Conservators also that the deterioration was of very long-standing and had now been dangerous for a very long time.

2149 - LITTER (2124) The Clerk reported a talk with Mr. Nutter (Milton P.O. Stores) who offered his co-operation to look up litter bins if suitable ones could be provided.

On the proposition of Mr. Kiddle, seconded by Mr. Forbes, it was agreed therefore to rescind MIN. 2124 and instead of the 3 types of litter bins there agreed to purchase 4 teakwood slatted models - "London Parks Type" of Metalliform Ltd., these to be sited near the 4 village shops and the co-operation of the proprietors sought

2150 - PROPOSED GYPSY SITE (2125) The Assistant Clerk to the County Council had written to say that as there was a development concerning another possible site in Cambridge he suggested the proposed meeting with the Parish Council be deferred for the time being. He assured this Council that a meeting with them would be held "should any further steps be taken in the Milton road area".

2151 - RECREATION GROUND (2129) The Clerk reported complaint from the Secretary of the football club about the general condition of the Ground. He wished to report to the Parish Council that his Club had, as in previous years, cultivated and re-seeded bare patches on the football pitch caused by heavy wear.

2152 - SEWAGE EMBARGO (2130) The Clerk reported a reply to his letter to the City Surveyor of 29 March - received by hand just before this meeting.

This long letter gave a history of the embargo and the City's sewage problems but did not promise any early release from it for Milton. The Surveyor however considered that exception might be made in the public interest for the linking-up of toilets and changing rooms and had recommended this to the C.R.D.C.

2153 DITCH BOUNDING GODING WAY (2144) The Clerk reported that this ditch had been inspected at his request by Mr. Newman's Dept. who reported no health danger and also that they did not consider the ditch to be the District Council's responsibility.

PLANNING DECISION

2157 - R.H. BOOTH: C/73/12/0 & C/73/360/0 ; (2133) The Clerk recalled that the second of these two applications was a repeat of the first which had been refused on several grounds and that this Council, finding no apparent change of circumstances, had, therefore, objected to the second on the same grounds as the first

The Planning Office's decision on the second, however, gave only one reason for refusal (apart from the sewage embargo) namely that there was one tree on the site under a T.P.O. The Planning Dept. appeared, therefore, on the second occasion not to have accepted this Council's objections of the restricted nature of the site and nearness to historic Milton House, with which they appear to have agreed on the first occasion.

The Clerk had, therefore, written for further explanation; the Council agreed with this action.

2158 - P.C & R.D.C ELECTIONS, 1973 The date for these was fixed for Thursday, June 7th., next.

2159 - DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING In view of the date of Elections it was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, June, 19. next.

2160 - FINANCIAL STATEMENT The Clerk reported total balance in hand to date (May 1) of £4021.25, with bills of £90.38 due.

2161 - BILLS FOR PAYMENT Proposed by Mr. Easy, seconded by Mr. Summerfield, that the following bills be paid:

(2161 contd.)

C.C. Allotmt. rent to Lady Day, 1973	£41.60
K.P. Humphries:	
Cash for R. Buck, Apl. May Jne (13wk)	6.50
Clerk's salary for April	37.50
" postages etc. "	4.78
Total	<u>£118.78</u> <u>£90.38</u>

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2162-40 m.p.h. The Clerk drew the Council's attention to the Public Notice in the Press of 6 April by the Dept. of the Environment proposing to make an Order under s.1 74(1) of the Road Traffic Regulations Act, 1967 as amended Part IX of the Transport Act, 1968 ... allowing the present speed limit on the A10 through the village to be raised to 40 m.p.h. He also recalled previous correspondence and minutes on this topic.

As the Notice allowed for objections to the making of the Order before 4 May, the Council agreed the Clerk should write to the D. of E. repeating the Council's requests for

- (i) deferment of the Order until the decision on the Northern By-pass was known
- (ii) the speed-limit signs to be re-located and
- (iii) pedestrian refuges at the northern end of the village.

2163 - ABOLITION OF RATE LIMITS The Clerk referred to a circular from the Secretary of the Parish Councils Assn. pointing out an error in Handbook BB 1972 (New Powers etc. of Local Councils). The abolition of rate limits (& Parish Meeting approval) is effective from 1 April 1973 (& not 1974 as the HB states on p.16).

2164 - 1971 CENSUS The Clerk reported that the Census summaries for the Cambridgeshire villages were now available in the Public Library.

In the ten years from 1961, the population of Milton had risen from 857 to 1735, of which 868 were males and 867 females.

2165 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION - WARD BOUNDARIES (2047) The Secretary of the Parish Councils Association had reported that the Home Office had finally agreed to the separation of Milton as a District Council Ward returning one member.

2166 - STATE OF CERTAIN HIGHWAYS (2096, -7, -8) The Council agreed that the Clerk should again write to the Surveyor reminding him of the work promised in February last, and now urgently necessary, as members of the Council continued to receive complaints from residents. The repairs necessary were: corner of Fen rd; Coles rd.; and Fen Rd. near the river.

2167 - SUGGESTED 2,000 METRE ROWING COURSE (2106) Mr. H. Warren (by invitation) addressed the Council. He said the suggestion was a very tentative one by the Sports Council; of the present great interest in sport and recreation water recreation was greatest. Artificial waterways, for rowing and angling were thought to be desirable to overcome the problem of too many boats on natural and navigable waterways and a country-wide survey of facilities had been made. He claimed increase in population and housing congestion made the need for organised recreation greater than ever.

He showed colour slides of continental examples of Water Parks and at Nottingham.

See MIN 2106

Plans of the suggested 2,000 m. course in Milton parish were studied and it was pointed out that the Sports Council's original scheme, in Chesterton Fen, had not received the approval of the Eastern Road Construction Unit who were responsible for the Northern By-pass proposals (not yet approved) so the Council had then suggested a more northerly course.

The Chairman referred to the very large area of water in the parish already (about 90 acres of Gravel Pits) and the suggestion would mean further great loss to agriculture. He asked why the Landbeach Pits area was not suitable to which Mr. Warren replied it was thought too far for rowing men to cycle.

It was also pointed out that the suggested course would sever the Fen road near the river and annihilate one of the few relatively traffic-free country walks available to Milton residents.

Access to the course caused the Council concern -especially if it envisaged large increase of traffic along the Fen road, which the Council felt to be most undesirable. Mr. Warren suggested a new access link road leaving the A.10 at the southern end of the course, i.e. near the proposed Northern By-pass and roughly parallel to it.

Mr. Warren agreed with Mr. Kiddle that if the suggestion ever became a firm planning proposal the Parish Council should have representation on the appropriate executive body.

The Council enjoyed Mr. Warren's talk and the Chairman thanked him for this early review of the Sports Council's aspirations.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting

Signed *J Pearson*Chairman

Date *19 June 1973*

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, residents of the PARISH OF MILTON
in the COUNTY OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE, do HEREBY DECLARE
that we each accept the OFFICE of PARISH COUNCILLOR
for the said PARISH _____

1. S. Pearson.
2. L. M. Forbes
3. B. Sumner
4. Harold Casey
5. Mr Jones
6. B. C. Watson
7. Michael J. Mudd.
8. James Smith
9. Hiddle.

THE ABOVE DECLARATIONS were signed in my presence this
Nineteenth day of June..... one thousand nine
hundred and seventy-three

K. P. Humphries (Clerk to P.C.)

I, S. Pearson. HEREBY DECLARE that I
accept the OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL
for the year, 1973/1974.

S. Pearson.

THE ABOVE DECLARATION was signed in my presence this
Nineteenth day of June..... one thousand nine
hundred and seventy-three.

K. P. Humphries (Clerk to P.C.)