

A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 4th., 1972, at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Mr.D.Pearson (Chairman) in the Chair; Mrs.M. Jones & Mrs.B.C.Watson; Messrs L.M.Forbes, P.Kiddle, M.J.D.Nurse, R.T.Summerfield, A.W.Wenham & the Clerk.

1906

MINUTES OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 2nd., 1971

The Clerk read these out and duplicated copies were circulated to members. They were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

1907

Rec. Grd. Fence (Gravel pit bdy) (1893) - The Clerk understood from the R.D.C. Engineer that this had now been repaired with extra strong materials.

The Clerk was instructed to thank him accordingly.

1908

Winship Estate, Screen of Trees (1894) - Members reported that trees had now been planted along the residents' boundary and entrance road.

1909

Cambridge road entrance to Rec. Grd. (1895) - The Clerk had had further complaint from the resident next to the entrance of continued misuse of the roadway.

The Engineer had assured the Clerk that a gate was to be erected shortly; he had also agreed to leave the thorn tree near which he planned to arrange foot access.

1910

Northern By-Pass (1897) - Notification had arrived that morning of the public inquiry to commence on February 15th. in Cambridge. On proposition of Mr.Forbes, seconded by Mr.Wenham the Council agreed to send Mr.Kiddle and the Clerk as representatives to present the objection.

1911

Public toilets and allied facilities (1898) - The Clerk agreed to consult the Engineer and arrange to discuss plans with him.

1912

Waste Land, Coles road (1900) - The Clerk read a letter from Messrs Cooper Bros. in which they had now reduced their request for development to one house and also asked for an offer for a certain piece of the remaining land.

In view of their letter of April, 1970, offering some of the land as a gift to the Council, the Clerk was instructed to seek clarification.

1913

Countryside Planning (1901) - The Council approved the village survey submitted by the Committee formed for that purpose (Messrs ~~Watson~~ Messrs Nurse, Summerfield and the Clerk) which had been circulated to all Council members, and the Council's thanks to the Committee were unanimously expressed.

1914

Milton Pits (1902) - The Clerk submitted a detailed natural history survey of Milton Pits carried out by Mr.Graham Easy, a local naturalist, which had been forwarded on Mr. Easy's behalf by the Cambridge Naturalists Trust to the County Council.

The Parish Council commended this work and the Clerk was instructed to pass this comment on to Mr. Eady and the County Planning Dept in connection with the village survey (Min. 1909, preceding).

1915

PROPOSED INCREASE IN SPEED LIMIT THROUGH MILTON

The Council had been notified of this proposal by the Highways Dept. who asked for the Council's comments for submission to the Dept. of Environment.

The Clerk had circulated a Report on the A.10 using traffic statistics given him by the Highways Dept. The meeting discussed the traffic dangers in the village and the proposals at some length.

It was finally agreed not to oppose the raising of the limit as it appeared that 40 m.p.h. now had to be accepted as a general and more realistic speed. The Clerk was instructed to temper this comment, however, with the firm request that supporting safety measures should accompany any change in speed limit, as follows:

1. To repeat this Council's request for re-positioning of the limit signs at each end of the village to give more warning of built-up area and particularly to include the three factory entrances in the built-up area.
2. To suggest that an even better improvement would be to restrict the length of road between King's Hedges and the village, thus making restriction continuous from Cambridge and right through Milton.
3. Ask for pedestrian refuges at the open Fen road junction, where elderly people, particularly, find difficulty in crossing the A.10 safely.

1916

PETITION FOR IMPROVEMENT TO SCHOOL CROSSING

A petition signed by 68 persons and forwarded by Mr. & Mrs. Hansen, of 5, Pryors Close, Milton, had been received following an incident in which their son was slightly injured on the crossing.

The petitioners suggested, either a kerb barrier, a foot-bridge or traffic lights operated when children were crossing. The petition was fully discussed.

Agreed that the safety precautions in Milton were greater than most other places as the amber warning lights were one of the only four sets as yet in the County. It was thought that the flashing amber lights may be better seen if brighter and set on brackets to overhang the middle of the pavement.

The Clerk was instructed to send copies of the petition to the Chief Constable and the Clerk of the County Council and add the above criticisms. He was also instructed to reply to the petitioners regretting that their suggestions were out of this Council's control but it would be forwarded.

It was unanimously agreed that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Ray, the crossing warden, expressing the Council's confidence in the way in which he carried out his difficult task.

1917

RATE PRECEPT, 1972/73

The Clerk reported that estimated expenditure for next year would be about the same as last year with the one exception that allowance should be made for possible expenditure on toilets and allied facilities, in which case an increase in the parish rate seemed inevitable.

Proposed by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Summerfield and agreed unanimously, to precept for the sum of £1250; this is equivalent to 1.7p rate.

1918

LOCAL GOVT. BILL ) PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS.

A circular from the N.A. Parish Councils points out that this Bill makes no provision for parish planning consultations with the proposed new District Councils and asks Parish Councils to press for early opportunities in the new Councils to comment on planning applications.

1919

REVISION OF LOCAL 'BUS SERVICES

A schedule of proposed changes to operate from early in the new year had been received.

On the 109 Service the 'bus Company planned to operate an approximately hourly service through Milton, and half hourly, most of Saturday. The 21.20 from Cambridge to Milton was to be withdrawn as the loading averages no more than two.

1920

REVISION OF ELECTRICITY CHARGES .....

Notice to terminate the present agreement for the lighting of 'bus shelters on March 31st., 1972, received from Eastern Electricity. New charges to be notified later.

1921

MONIES RECEIVED

For Telephone Wayleave at Baitsbite - 25p.

1922

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Proposed by Mr. Summerfield, seconded by Mr. Nurse that the following be passed for payment. Agreed:

W.F. Spalding : 2X25" OS Sheets, MILTON PSH. 1970	£3.00
Humphries R.F.: Clerk's salary to Christmas 1971	43.00
do Cash for R. Buck; 3 mo. to March 1972 @ 50p/wk	16.50
Hollendine B. Re-roofing of 'bus shelter at Beme't Close	16.50
Total:	<u>69.75</u>

1923

DATES OF FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Agreed as follows:

- Tuesday, February 8th, 1972 Jt. Mtg. with V.H. Comm.
- do March 7th (followed by Annual P.M. at 8.00pm.)
- do May 23rd. Annual Parish Council Mtg.
- do July 4th
- do September 5th
- do November 7th
- do January 9th., 1973.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1924

COMPLAINT BY RESIDENTS ADJOINING SHIRLEY LODGE ESTATE

Letters received from Mrs. J. Chinnick, 53, Old School Lane and Mr. M. P. Nutting, 47, Old School Lane, asking if the Parish Council can help restore privacy they have lost by the removal of hedgerow between their gardens and the Shirley Lodge estate being built by H.C. Moss Ltd.

The Clerk was instructed to find out if the R.D.C. had any responsibility in this matter and, if appropriate, try to negotiate replacement of the natural barrier removed, with the builders.

1925

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Jones thought the Committee should be congratulated on the successful completion of the extension and also on the excellent arrangements and tasteful decorations for the Christmas festivities. This was unanimously agreed.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed *J. Pearson* ..... Chairman

Date *March 7<sup>th</sup> 1972* .....