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A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY, 6th., 1973 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr.D.Pearson, in the Chair; Mrs.M.Jones & Mrs.B.Watson  
Messrs H.W.H.Easy, L.M.Forbes, P.Kiddle, R.T.Summerfield, A.W. Wenham and the Clerk.

Apology from Mr.M.J.D.Nurse.

2067 - MINUTES The circulated Minutes of the meeting of January 9th., 1973, were confirmed and signed.

2068 - LAND AT BUTT LANE The County Surveyor had written to say CORNER (2048) that the Dept. of the Environment had been informed of the contents of the Psh Council's letter of 23rd., January (as to its future use).

Mr.Forbes observed that trees would improve this corner. The Clerk was instructed to write further to say that if any private sale fell through the Council would be interested in making an offer to plant trees. *J.P. [See also MIN 2094 following]*

2069 - LITTER Discussion ensued on Mr. Forbes raising the question (2049) of litter in the village - particularly near the Coles road shops. Complaint to the highway authority was suggested and also that the Scouts, Guides etc., be approached to make regular voluntary collections of litter. On the question of liability for accident to such voluntary workers being raised, it was agreed that the Clerk inquire first of Mr. Martindale as to the Insurance position.

2070 - WASTE LAND The Council approved the draft transfer received COLES RD. (2050) from the Solicitors and instructed they be asked to send the fair copy for signature as soon as possible.

2071 ~~PROPOSED BY~~ SYPSY The Clerk reported on correspondence with Mr CARAVAN SITE ( 2052) Pym and between Mr. Pym and the Clerk to the County Council. The latter now suggested a meeting with the Parish Council.

Mr.Kiddle observed that we should seek information as to the success of other Council sites, warden control of rubbish accumulation old cars etc.

The Clerk was instructed to inquire of other Councils whose names to be obtained, if possible, from Mr. Martindale.

In reply to the Clerk to the C.C. the following provisional dates were to be suggested for a joint meeting - Tues. Feb. 20th., Thurs. March 1st., Tuesday, March 13th.

SEE ALSO MINUTE 2079 (d) - seeking C.P.R.E. Support.

2072 - COUNTY COUNCIL (a) The Clerk reported that two tenants (see ALLOTMENTS (2053) MIN. 2053) had been offered 1 rood each. He awaited written confirmation of acceptance.

(b) Rabbits & Rats - the Clerk reported that his recent inspection revealed serious pest problems and were causing tenants considerable inconvenience and damage to crops. Rabbits were established in large numbers in the ditches adjoining the highway and between the allotments and Farm School. He said he had asked the R.D.C. Pest Officer to take early action (sustained if necessary) against them. Rats were also prevalent around some of the sheds.

The Council approved the Clerk's action.

2073 - VILLAGE HALL ~~in consultation~~ - the Chairman of the Comm. COMMITTEE (2056) (Mr.G.Patten) requested a revised date for this meeting - on a Friday if possible.



(2073 - V.H.COMM. contd.)

(b) New Honorary secretary - the Clerk had been notified by Mr. Barry Gomer, of 34, Coles rd. of his appointment as Hon. Secy.

(c) The Committee's expenditure - Mr. Summerfield told the Council that as Honorary Auditor of the Committee's accounts he had asked that all Committee expenditure be fully minuted. This met with the Council's approval.

(d) The Clerk had received recent complaints which he had passed on to the Chairman of the Committee who had replied to him; these were:

(a) Roller in ditch - the R.D.C. Engineer had written to the Clerk to complain that a roller obstructed the ditch adjoining the Recreation Ground and asked that it be removed as soon as possible. Mr. Easy told the Council he had now pulled it out.

(e) Condition of the Hall - In reply to complaints from parents of Play Group children about lack of cleaning, Mr. Patten had said that regular cleaning was now being carried out. The Council understood a new cleaner/polisher was being obtained.

(f) Overdue fence repair - Mr. Patten had informed the Clerk he had this in hand. This was the inner fence, Cambridge rd. entrance.

2074 - RECREATION GROUND Mr. Easy reported part of this fence (AD-  
FENCE TO COUNCIL HOUSES joining garden of no. Cambridge rd.) had  
been damaged, apparently by the tenants.

2075 Clerk agreed to report this to the C.R.D.C. who were responsible for this fence.

2075 - CONCESSIONARY Notification received from the C.R.D.C. and the  
'BUS FARES C.C. of a scheme of half-fare 'bus travel for  
county residents of 69 yrs<sup>+</sup> or over. A local  
person to hold application forms and information was requested. The  
Clerk had approached Mrs. K. Edwards who was willing and the Council  
approved that this be confirmed with her.

2076 - SECTION 12 OF PUB. HEALTH ACT, 1961. The Clerk of the R.D.C. had written to say  
that his Council had rescinded all previous  
Resolutions under this Section "after long  
negotiations with the Dept. of the Environment".

The Clerk explained this had been done owing to anomalies in S12 which covered payments by certain householders of cost of sewers in some villages. All sewer costs would now be a direct rate charge.

2077 - REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS Notice of revised hours of opening of  
MARRIAGES AND DEATHS the Superintendent Registrar's Office  
as from 1st., January had been received and a copy posted on the notice board.

2078 - ALLOTMENT Returns on the number and acreages of all allot-  
STATISTICS ments in the parish had been made to the R.D.C.  
for transmission to the Dept. of the Environment  
who had requested them.

2079 - NATIONAL The following were put before the meeting and  
ASSCN. CIRCULARS summarised by the Clerk:

(a) Local Govt. Re-organisation - Summary of the Loc. Govt. Act 1972, and naming of new Councils.

(b) Constitution of the National Association of Local Councils

(c) Parish Council Members' Allowances - Nat. Asscn. Leaflet 195 (rev.)

(d) Council for the Protection of Rural England - Statutory Planning Consultation with Parishes. The C.P.R.E. were concerned with supporting protests about 'undesirable schemes' and asked for inform

ation about such schemes to be sent to the local Secretary, Mr. L.M. Forbes; the meeting agreed that the proposed Gypsy Site (see MIN. 2071) be notified to him as being undesirable and the support of the C.P.R.E. to the Council's protests be sought.

(e) V.A.T. A full National circular is to follow; it appears, however, that Registration would only apply to Parish Councils if they carry out a substantial service such as sports facilities to individuals. Pitches rented to a sports club will be exempt.

(f) Monster Lorries (E.E.C.) The National Asscn. urges Parish Councils to object direct to Brussels against a large increase in permissible lorry sizes - on grounds of amenity, ruining life of villages and imposing enormous tax burden in largely private interests.

PLANNING CONSULTATIONS.

DECISIONS notified.

2080 - C/72/1482/Be; Mrs. E. Wilson; prop. petrol stn. Bene't Farm  
Granted: 8 conditions inc. approval of access by Regional Controller (D. of E. (Transportation)).

2081 - C/72/1470/Be; R.A.F. Asscn.; Club House, Cambridge rd. A10 MILTON; Refused: traffic interference - no access other than to A10; no parking facilities; not locally compatible; sewage embargo.

2082 - C/72/1537/Be; D.S. Clarke; Beef Unit, Chesterton Fen OSP 259; Granted: subject to dark colour stipulation.

*Considered by the meeting*

2083 - C/72/85/F; Trinity Coll; Scientific Inst. Factory (Site 6) Cambridge Science Park, MILTON - Approved.

2084 - C/73/12/0; R.W. Booth; Dwelling, 30 Fen rd. MILTON - Object on grounds of confined space, loss of chestnut trees - original conditions that no trees to be lopped or removed be adhered to; also closely overlooks historic Milton House.

2085 - C/73/20/F; J.P. McHugh; portable pony shelter, Chesterton Fen - No objections.

2086 - C/73/29/F; C. Middleton & Sons; Parking Area, Winship Est. - Objection, being within the area designated for Recreation (Milton Rec. Area) draft plan shd. not be departed from).

2087 - C/73/35/0 & C/73/45/D; Stokes of Cambridge; Indust. dev. - Strong objection to Messrs Stokes' continued expansion here in an area designated for Recreation on Milton Rec. Area draft plan which shd. be adhered to. Further concessions to Messrs Stokes unfair to adjoining landowners who abide by planning restriction. [See also: P.C.'s letter to Planning Officer, 12 Feb. 1973.]

2088 - **BILLS FOR PAYMENT** On the proposition of Mrs. Waterson, seconded by Mr. Wenham, the following bills were approved for payment:

W. Heffer & Sons	..... Stencils	£ 2.54
<del>Grass cutting</del> (E.D.C.)	..... Grass cutting	28.06
K.P.H.	.. Clerk's o/p exp. for Jan. 1973	5.78
K.P.H.	.. Cash for Buck: Jan.- March '73	6.50
		<u>£42.88</u>

2089 - **CLERK'S SALARY** (1713) In the Clerk's absence from the meeting the Council considered his circular and National Asscn. Circular and pay formula.

On the proposition of Mr. Summerfield, seconded by Mr. Kiddle, it was unanimously agreed to offer the Clerk an annual payment of £450 This sum to include rental, heating and lighting of an office at the Clerk's house (hitherto not paid for) and an increase in salary in recognition of the hours he now worked having more than doubled; also

agreed that the Clerk's salary be reviewed annually at the same meeting as the annual rate precept is considered; payment of the revised figure of £450 to be as from January 1st., 1973, in 12 monthly instalments.

On his return the Clerk accepted this appreciation of his services with grateful thanks.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2090 - QUEEN ANNE LODGE, MILTON Mr. Kiddle asked if this was listed building, and, now that grants were available from public funds for renovation etc., were there any compulsory powers over owners concerning conditions of properties? The Clerk said he would try and find out.

2091 - TOILETS AND CHANGING ROOM FACILITIES (1949) Mr. Kiddle also observed that it was now important to submit the plans in hand to the R.D.C. Engineer for discussion, and following that he thought planning permission should be applied for.

2092 - CAR PARKING NEAR THE CHURCH Mrs. Waterson observed that there was considerable inconvenience now being caused to Churchgoers who found difficulty in parking and turning round due to residents' cars parked outside their houses in the second part of Church Lane.

The Clerk agreed to ask Police advice on this.

2093 - ELECTRICITY BOARD LAKE The Chairman observed that flow of water was almost completely obstructed through this lake by its condition and public water was being held up.

Mr. Easy proposed, Mr. Wenham seconded, that the Clerk complain to the Electricity Board.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed

*J. Pearson*

Date Mar 6<sup>th</sup> 1973