

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
GRANARY WALLOW FARM, ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1968, 7.30 pm.

There were present: Mr. D. Pearson, Chairman, Mrs. M. Jones, Messrs. J. S. Doggett, L. M. Forbes, J. W. R. Lewis, R. T. Summerfield, together with the Clerk.

Mr. R. T. Ransley, Regional Manager of Eastern Electricity at Milton Hall attended by invitation of the Council and a representative of the "Cambridge News" was also present.

An apology for absence was regretfully received from Mr. E. J. Walkling whom the Council were concerned to learn was in hospital. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to Mr. Walkling.

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EASTERN ELECTRICITY

Mr. Ransley gave the Council an account of the recent and proposed developments at Milton Hall due to its becoming the new Regional Headquarters and was happy to be able to assure the Council that the traffic increase through the village from their vehicles would not now be as much as at first feared. He also assured the Council that Eastern Electricity were most concerned about road safety in the village to which they had come and had made every effort on this behalf when planning routes and development with the Ministry of Transport and the County Planning Authorities. He would continue to watch this aspect personally and issue appropriate safety warnings to all his drivers especially in the use of Church Lane and their main entrance about which he knew the Council were particularly concerned.

Street lighting at Milton would be switched on at 6.30 a.m. until dawn each morning now that B.S.T. was to continue through the winter.

He invited the Council to come and view the new developments and suggested an open invitation for the village next summer at dates to be arranged, both of which the Council accepted with pleasure.

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

C.W. Dunn Bequest (1446) - The Clerk read a letter written to the Council in 1931 by the late C.W. Dunn, of Milton in which he bequeathed £100 to the village in gratitude for kindnesses which his parents during their residence in Milton from 1901 to 1930 received from the people of Milton. In his letter, Mr. Dunn had emphasised recreation and the Council fully agreed, on the proposition of Mr. J.W.R. Lewis seconded by Mr. J.S. Doggett, that the residue of his bequest (some having already been spent for recreational purposes in Milton) together with the interest accrued, be offered to the Management Committee for expenditure on a children's playground and seats for the elderly with suitable inscription on at least one seat referring to the memory of the giver, and further that the Management Committee submit a report on the use of the money to the Council.

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Ready-Mix Site (1448) - The Clerk had asked the County Planning Office for any information on the original scheduling of this site as requested by Mr. R. Rose and told there was no public information available. Mr. Rose had been informed accordingly.

The Clerk had received a further complaint of increase

in noise, from a nearby resident to the site. He had asked the Chief Public Health Inspector to kindly look into this. the Chief

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Messrs Stokes' unauthorised building (1449) - The Clerk reported he had written, as instructed, in strong terms to the County Planning Office expressing the Council's disapproval of the continued unauthorised use of this site and had received no acknowledgement.

He had, however, received a routine notice under the Town and Country Planning Acts, of an appeal by Mr.L.F.W.Stokes against the County Council's refusal to permit construction of an industrial site road and the division of this site, known as Milton Pits, into plots.

After discussion it was proposed by Mr.L.M.Forbes and seconded by Mr.J.S.Doggett that the Chairman and Clerk submit a written statement and they attend the Inquiry, on Tuesday 3rd December to hold a watching brief for the Council.

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Waste Land, Fen Road/Old School Lane (1450) - The Clerk read a letter dated 30 Sept. in reply to his to the County Planning Office of 24th., June, saying that Terrester Properties, owners of the land in question, would be prepared to sell it to adjoining owners and provided the footpath access between Old School Lane and Fen Road is provided and maintained and trees retained. The Planning Committee would then likely waive the original conditions regarding a public open space.

The status of the footpath provoked discussion and it was proposed by Mr.L.M.Forbes and seconded by Mr.R.T.Summerfield that the County Planning Committee be informed that the Council feel that the public footpath must be maintained by a local authority.

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Proposed Extension to Village Hall (1453)- The Clerk read a letter from the Secretary of the Management Committee in which they agreed to look into all the points suggested by the Council and would suggest a date for a joint meeting when they had all the necessary information.

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Village Hall (Ownership) (1454) - The Clerk read a further letter in the correspondence with the Ministry of Housing and Local Government in which they confirmed that 'ownership of the village hall is with the parish council at least until the end of the 99-years lease' The Clerk was instructed to send this view with a copy of the letter to the Secretary of the Management Committee.

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TOILET FACILITIES ON RECREATION GROUND (see also related Minute, 1451)

The Clerk read a letter from Mr.H.A.Capitain, of 81, Coles Road, Milton, pointing out the inconvenience caused to his household by the lack of toilet facilities on the Recreation Ground for ladies attending football matches on Saturday afternoons.

The Chairman had been consulted by the Clerk who was instructed to ask the Secretary of the Management Committee if arrangements could be made for ladies while appreciating the Hall toilets should not be open to indiscriminate use and the Clerk had received the assurance of the Secretary that a key would be available for ladies. The Council approved this action

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POSITION OF WAGON AND HORSES 'BUS SHELTER

The Clerk read a letter from Aston Building Co. asking if it would be possible to move the 'bus shelter away from one of the houses recently built on the old Village Hall site as it was both an eyesore for the houseowner and in a dangerous position.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to reply that the Council regretted they could not see the possibility of moving the shelter.

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CAMBRIDGE RETURN 'BUS FARE

The Clerk reported on correspondence with the Eastern Counties Omnibus Co. on Mrs. M. Jones' suggestion that a reduced return fare between Cambridge and Milton be granted. He was pleased to say that the Norwich Office had agreed to a reduction of 3 pence on the double fare as from November 3rd., last.

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ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS: RECENT MEETING FOR NEW COUNCILLORS AND CLERKS

Mrs M. Jones, Mr. R. T. Summerfield and the Clerk had attended what proved to be a most interesting and informative meeting.

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'BUS SHELTER LIGHTING

New Agreements between the Council and Eastern Electricity for the supply of energy and maintenance of 'bus shelter lighting were duly signed on behalf of the Council.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications had been considered by the Planning Sub-Committee:

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- 484: Erection of 21 old peoples' bungalows by C.R.D.C - full approval and consider this an opportunity not to be lost.
- 527: Mr. J. W. Farrow; Butcher's shop and flat over - approv.
- 457: Mr. G. C. Brown; storage of vehicles, repair, offices etc., Fen Road, Chesterton - approval.
- 459: Mr. E. G. Baden; Garage at 9, Wilson Way - approval
- 545: Mr. P. Stanley; Garage and conservatory, 48 Old School Lane - Approved
- 635: Mr. A. W. Cowell; porch to dwelling → approved to match dwelling.
- 643: Mr. A. J. Lane; extension to dwelling, 1 Pryer Close - approval provided neighbours' outlook safeguarded
- 501: Mr. D. Parsens; extension to dwelling, Long Reach House, Chesterton - approved
- 483: Mr. R. Booth; porch to dwelling, 30, Fen Rd., - app.

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MONIES RECEIVED

The Clerk reported receipt of Allotment rents to Mich. 1968

T. Heusden	£3 - -	bt/f	£03-10 -
M. Heusden	£3 15 -	H. H. Fryrell	1-10 -
R. F. Clark	£6 - -	C. Smith	2 5 -
D. Beldon	15 -	G. Johnson	15 -
e/f	£13 10 -	L. Fremont	2 12 6
		Total:	£20 12 6

This had been deposited in Lloyds Bank, Nov. 4th., 1968.

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BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The following bills were passed for payment:

6 mo. Smallholdings rent, to Mich. 1968	£33	--	--
Cambs. & I. Of Ely. ASS.P.C's Handbooks	1	7	--
1 qur. Clerk's salary to Michaelmas 1968	12	10	--
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	Total	£46	17 --
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ALLOTMENT VACATED BY Mr.H.F.Tyrell

Consideration was given to the future tenancy of this now that Mr.M.Housden had left the village.

It was proposed by Mr.J.S.Doggett and seconded by Mr. J.W.R.Lewis that the vacancy be notified on the Parish Notice Board and a copy sent to any one known to be interested. The Chairman and Clerk to confer and be given authority to award the tenancy. This was agreed unanimitously by the Council.

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DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

At the request of the Secretary of the Management Committee the Council re-considered possible meeting date for 1969 and agreed to ask the Secretary to make the following dates available for Council meetings in the Village Hall in 1969:

- Tues: Jan. 14th.
- Fri: Mar. 28th. -also for the Annual Parish Meeting
- Fri: May 30th. - Annual Parish Council Meeting
- Tues: Nov. 15th.

As the Hall was unavailable for Wednesday, September 17th, it was agreed that the Clerk approach Mr.Whitton Headmaster, to see if the School could be available.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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Mr.Lewis raised the matter of the sordid appearance Messrs Kay's factory site on approach to the village Cambridge, particularly the nuisance from fires being there near the roadside.

It was agreed that the Clerk approach Messrs Kay with the Council's complaint.

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Clerk's Salary - The Clerk was asked to retire and on his return to the room the Chairman told the Clerk that they considered his services were satisfactory and offered him a payment increase of 50% + the payment of telephone calls made on behalf of the Council; both to operate as from January 1st, next, 1969.

The Clerk said this was a pleasant surprise and expressed his grateful thanks and acceptance.

This concluded the business and the Chairman closed the meeting.

Signed ..... *S. Pearson* ..... Chairman

Date ..... *Jan 14 1969* .....