

SPECIAL COMBINED MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL AND OFFICERS OF THE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 1977 AT 8.00 P.M.

Present: R.T. Summerfield (in the Chair), M. Waggett, D.J. Cook, G.E. Patten, H.W.H. Easy, L. Sandford, D. Jones, Mrs. D. Jones, M. Gray and B.K. Connor.

Apologies: Mrs. B.C. Waterson, Mrs. M.E. Jones, Mr. P. Kiddle, and Mr. S.B. Poulter.

3178 Project 1: Proposed Survey Concerning Tennis Club

M.G. had circulated notices to those people within the village who expressed an interest in joining a club and a meeting was arranged for 23rd February. It was hoped to determine the level of support for the possible building of tennis courts on the recreation ground. R.T.S. expressed his concern about maintenance if it was decided to opt for grass courts, and G.P. also felt that a hard court would really be essential in the present situation.

3179 Project 2: Car Park Extension

The Council were agreeable to allowing the Management Committee to utilize 10 feet of the piece of ground between the existing boundary fence and no. 81 Coles Road. L.S. would however approach the occupants of no. 79 and 81 to discover their feelings on this development. It was felt that the idea of a raised kerb around the existing tarmac part is essential since the edges of the recreation ground are being ruined as the mud advances.

It was also felt that the Council should keep surveillance on the filling in of Middleton's Pit.

3180 Changing Rooms

These have now been handed over officially to the Management Committee and are already in regular use by the Football and Cricket Clubs. The old changing hut is being used for storage purposes and is covered by temporary planning permission.

3181 Land Rover and Gang Mowers

The Land Rover and Gang Mowers are in need of constant maintenance and it should be borne in mind that the expense involved in replacements could be very considerable if anything should fail. The annual Parish Council grant could possibly be increased to cover such an eventuality.

3182 Squash Courts

In view of the current popularity of this sport, it was felt that such a suggestion would stimulate great interest if raised at A.G.M.s. The cost involved could well be prohibitive.

3183 Treasurer's Report

D.J. reported that the Management Committee have approximately £1200 in the Restoration Fund account, £1800 in the Building Society account and £470 in the current account pending a bill for outside decorations. The past year had been heavy expense wise including a climbing frame £300, new curtains £537, tables £110, roof repairs £133. The working balance at the start of the year was approximately £2719 and this would fall to approximately £1100 at the end of the period. The annual grant to the M.C. therefore should continue on the existing basis with an allowance made to cover inflation.

The Chairman then concluded by expressing thanks on behalf of the Parish Council to all members of the M.C. for their efforts and expressed the feeling that the meeting had been a useful one and should be an annual event. The meeting was then closed at 9.30 p.m.

Signed *R. Summerfield* Chairman *J. Jackson* Date