

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY, 23RD JANUARY, 1962, AT 7.0 P.M.

There were present:-

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman,
Mrs. D. Pearson, Messrs. J. S. Doggett, L. M. Forbes, D. Pearson
and S. A. Siggs, together with the Clerk.

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. A. W. Wenham.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 30th November, 1961, were read, confirmed by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

652. Street Lighting - The Chairman reported that the request for an improved standard of lighting would be included in the Rural District's programme for 1963/1964.

653. Bus Shelter Lighting - The Clerk reported that the Eastern Electricity Board had given three months' notice to terminate on 31st March, 1962, the Agreement dated 12th June, 1959. Details of the new charges to be advised as soon as practicable.

654. County Planning Officer - Appeal Decision.

The Clerk reported that he had received notification of the dismissal by the Minister of Housing and Local Government of an appeal by Mr. C. R. Holliday against the refusal of the Cambridgeshire County Council to permit the use of O.S. No. 274 at Grassy Corner, Chesterton Fen Road, for a scrap business and for the parking of caravans.

655. VILLAGE HALLS CONFERENCE.

Mrs. D. Pearson and Mr. S. A. Siggs would endeavour to attend the Village Halls Conference to be held at Owen Webb House, Cambridge, at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 17th February, 1962.

656. PRECEPT 1962/63.

On consideration of the budget for the coming financial year Mr. D. Pearson proposed and Mr. L. M. Forbes seconded that a precept equivalent to a 4d. rate be levied on the Rural District Council.

An amendment proposed by Mr. J. S. Doggett and seconded by Mr. S. A. Siggs that a 3d. rate be levied was put to the meeting; there voting for the amendment Messrs. J. S. Doggett and S. A. Siggs. Thereupon the Chairman put the original proposition as a substantive motion, there voting for the proposal to levy a 4d. rate Messrs. Forbes and Pearson and Mrs. D. Pearson. This proposition was, therefore, carried. The Clerk was thereupon instructed to levy a precept on the Chesterton Rural District Council amounting to £152. 8s. 8d. The product of 1d. rate being £38. 2s. 2d.

657. MONIES RECEIVED.

The Clerk reported the receipt of the following monies:-

D. Pearson \ £1. 15s. 2d. Rent of Banks for year to Michaelman, >
1961.
P.O. Telephones \ 4s. 0d. Wayleave rent.

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BILLS FOR PAYMENT.

On the proposition of Mr. L. M. Forbes, seconded by Mr. D. Pearson, the following bills were authorised for payment:-

Eastern Electricity Board.	14s. 2d. Bus shelter lighting.
Eastern Gas Board	£5. 15. 6d. Coke
Chesterton Rural District Council	£3. 12. 0d. Rates 1961/62.
Performing Rights Society.	13. 8d. Licence fee.
L. F. Coulson	£6. 0. 0d. Clerk's salary for quarter to Christmas, 1961.
	<u>£16. 14. 10d.</u>

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Accounts - It was agreed that in future the accounts be administered by the Parish Council; the Clerk to arrange for the transfer of the balance of the Village Hall Account to the Parish Council Accounts.

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Cleaning - It was agreed that Mrs. Pearson organise a cleaning party from the Youth Club to thoroughly scrub out and clean the hall; any expense incurred to be defrayed by the Council. Thereafter, a caretaker to be employed as necessary at a wage of 3s. 6d. per hour. Mrs. Pearson agreed to approach Mrs. L. C. Edwards to see if she would be willing to undertake these duties.

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Heating - It was agreed that the Tortoise stove be replaced by another form of heating; Mr. Siggs to make enquiries as to the suitability of overhead electric heaters.

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Water Supply - Mr. Pearson agreed to arrange for the water supply and sink to be fixed in the hall.

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Toilet Facilities - It was agreed for Mr. Siggs to purchase two Elsan closets.

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Picture - Mr. Forbes agreed to arrange for the cleaning of the picture depicting a scene at Church Lane. It was felt that this picture had a certain historical value and was well worth preserving.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed the next meeting be held either on the 27th or the 29th March, depending on which date was the more suitable for Mr. Wenham to attend.

This concluded the business and the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

J. W. Walker

Chairman.

Date

29th March 1962