

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY, 29TH JULY,
1958, AT 7.30 P.M.

There were present:-

Mr. D. Pearson, Vice-Chairman, in the Chair;
Messrs. L. Maxwell Forbes, S. A. Siggs, A. Wayman and
Mrs. D. Pearson, together with the Clerk.

In attendance - Mr. Waghorn, Civil Defence Officer,
Cambridgeshire County Council, during discussion on
Item No.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. E. J.
Walkling and Mr. A. W. Wenham.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27th May, 1958,
were read, confirmed by the meeting and signed by the
Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

363.

Village Hall - The Clerk submitted a letter from
Cambridgeshire County Council in which they confirmed
their agreement to pay a rent of 4s. Od. for each
occasion the Village Hall was used by the Education
Committee.

As regards the payment in respect of electricity
used, the Chief Education Officer declined to accept the
basis for payment put forward, namely £6. 12s. Od. per
annum being the difference in the average cost for the
years 1953/57 as compared with the average cost for the
years 1949/52. Instead, they suggested payment be made
on the basis of the difference between the actual cost
for the year prior to occupation and after occupation
based on the unit charges applicable in the year of
occupation. This method required details of the accounts,
but as these were not available Mr. S. A. Siggs proposed
and Mr. A. Wayman seconded that the Education Committee
be asked to name a lump sum payment for the consideration
of the Council.

364.

Council House Garden Competition - The Clerk
reported that Mr. A. Corn had inspected the gardens and
had submitted his recommendations to the Rural District
Council. On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded
by Mr. A. Wayman it was unanimously agreed that an
honorarium of 10s. 6d. be made to Mr. Corn for his
services.

365.

Eastern Counties Omnibus Company - The Clerk
reported that an Inspector had attended at Milton and
had found no evidence to suggest that the service was
inadequate. Mrs. Pearson contended that people were
still not able to board the buses at peak periods.
Mr. Siggs remarked that the bus company was considering
a different parking place from that at the Golden Hind
public house for the Service 115, and it was agreed that
the Clerk write to the Bus Company suggesting that it
might be an appropriate time now for them to consider
extending Service 115 to Milton.

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366. Mobile Showrooms - As the two mobile showrooms had still not been removed it was agreed to ask the County Council to take steps to enforce their removal.
367. Bus Shelter Lighting - The Clerk reported that he had now received from the Eastern Electricity Board the Agreement in respect of the revised charges for lighting in the two bus shelters; the new charge being £2. 16. 8d. per annum as against the previous annual charge of £2. 12s. 2d. On the proposition of Mr. S. A. Siggs, seconded by Mr. L. M. Forbes, it was agreed the Agreement be signed and completed.
368. NAMING AND NUMBERING OF STREETS.
- Consideration was given to a schedule of suggested numbering for the parish, which had been received from the Chesterton Rural District Council. The list was very comprehensive and no alterations to the numbering were suggested.
369. ROADSIDE SEAT - FEN ROAD.
- Information was received that the County Council proposed to cease collection of the annual payment of 1s. 3d. in respect of the seat near the railway crossing in Fen Road. Instead, the Parish Council would be asked to pay to the County Council a capital sum sufficient to produce the amount of the annual premium should the Insurance Company charge an extra premium in respect of the County Council's third party liability. The Clerk was instructed to reply offering to have the Parish Council's own insurance policy endorsed to indemnify the County Council against any claims arising from accidents caused by this structure.
370. CIVIL DEFENCE.
- Mr. Waghorn, Civil Defence Officer, Cambridgeshire County Council, attended the meeting by invitation and gave a detailed explanation of the communications system which had been devised for the purpose of relaying warning messages and instructions down to every home in the country, in the quickest manner possible. People with telephones installed were to be invited to co-operate by agreeing to receive messages in the event of radio active "fall-out" becoming imminent and warning their neighbours of the danger as quickly as possible, as only a comparatively short time elapses between the explosion of a nuclear weapon and the commencement of "fall-out". In the event of this country becoming involved in a nuclear war, the chance of Cambridgeshire becoming part of a radio-active area is very high, in view of the position of probable targets and the direction of prevailing winds. The organisation of the new communications system has been entrusted to the Civil Defence Wardens, of whom there are six in the village, and they will co-operate with other sections of Civil Defence and with the Special Constabulary. The Council agreed to publicise this communications system in the village and when the system was launched to encourage all those who were in a position to co-operate to do so in order to achieve the greatest possible success for the scheme.

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371.

STREET LIGHTING - FEN ROAD.

Mrs. Pearson raised the question of the provision of street lighting covering the new development in Fen Road. The Clerk was instructed to enquire of the Rural District Council whether now was an opportune time for street lighting to be provided.

372.

OVERHANGING HEDGE - CAMBRIDGE ROAD.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Gonville and Caius College drawing their attention to the overgrown condition of the hedge opposite Milton Nurseries.

373.

CEMETERY - LANDBEACH ROAD.

Mrs. Pearson voiced a complaint she had received regarding the long grass in the cemetery. It was agreed this complaint be passed to the Parochial Church Council with an offer of help from members of the Parish Council to tidy up the cemetery.

374.

MONIES RECEIVED.

The Clerk reported the receipt of £4. 5s. Od. being allotment rent due at Lady Day, 1958, from Mr. R. Bradnam.

375.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT.

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

L. F. Coulson	£6. 0s. Od.	Clerk's salary for quarter to 24th June, 1958.
do.	£1.10s. Od.	Waterman's salary for quarter to 24th June, 1958.
do.	£2. 0s. Od.	Audit Stamp.
	<u>£9. 10s. Od.</u>	

376.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed the next meeting be held on Tuesday, 23rd September, 1958.

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

J. Y. Walker

Chairman.

Date 23rd September 1958