Minutes of a Meeting of Milton Parish Council held in the Schoolroom on Wednesday, 30th January, 1957, at 7.30 p.m.

There were present:-

Mr. E. J. Walkling, Chairman; Messrs. J. Bradnam, D. Pearson, S. A. Siggs, A. Wayman, Mrs. D. Pearson and Rev. J. M. Plumley, together with the Clerk.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th November 1956 were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

Street Lighting - The Clerk reported that the additional street lights had been erected at the Laundry and at the Post Office, and were in operation.

Ditch - Fen Road - The County Council had agreed to pipe the short length of ditch fronting Gravel Pit Pasture and the work would be put in hand so soon as labour was again available in the area.

RECREATION GROUND.

The Chairman referred to a meeting which he had attended in the Men's Institute on the 8th January, when the majority of some eighty people attending was in favour of acquiring a recreation ground. The Chairman explained that the field, O.S. No. 149, zoned in Town Map No. 2 as a public open space had not as yet received the approval of the Minister of Town and Country Planning, and until such time as the Minister's approval was received nothing could be done in the way of purchase. It was unanimously agreed that the matter be postponed until such time as the approval of the Minister is received. It was further agreed that when the Minister's approval is received and the total cost involved in the purchase of a recreation ground is know, then a Public Meeting be called to consider the matter in more detail.

MILTON PAROCHIAL CHARITIES - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TRUSTEE.

The Clerk reported that Mr. D. W. Beard had resigned as a Representative Trustee and it was necessary to make a further appointment. On the proposition of Mr. S. A. Siggs, seconded by Mr. D. Pearson, it was unanimously resolved to invite Mr. Cyril Moule to fill the vacancy.

8. IMPINGTON VILLAGE COLLEGE - MANAGING BODY.

Consideration was given to a proposal by the County Education Committee to reduce the number of Governors on the Managing Body of Impington Village College. The proposal sought to withdraw the privilege at present enjoyed by Parish Councils of appointing a representative on the Managing Body by forming villages into groups of three and appointing one Governor between the three Parish Councils concerned. A number of reasons was suggested why the village representation should not be reduced and the Clerk was instructed to communicate these to the County Council and to lodge a strong protest at any proposal which sought to reduce this representation.

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229. TELEPHONE KIOSKS.

Information was given to the Rural District Council as to the number of existing kiosks, and it was agreed that application be made for an additional kiosk which it was recommended should be erected adjacent to the Cambridge Road bus shelter.

230. MONIES RECEIVED.

The Clerk reported the receipt of 4s. Od., being the wayleave rent payable by the Post Office Telephones.

231. BILLS FOR PAYMENT.

The Clerk was instructed to pay the following accounts on the proposition of Rev. J. M. Plumley, seconded by Mr. D. Pearson -

Commissioners of Inland 14s. 10d. Land Tax Revenue.

Eastern Electricity £4. Is 10d. Installing, lighting in Cambridge Road bus shelter.

L. F. Coulson £6. Os. Od. Clerk's salary for quarter to Xmas 1956.

L. F. Coulson £1.10s. Od. Waterman's do.

£12.6s.8d.

232. PRECEPT 1957/58.

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The Clerk presented an estimated Income and Expenditure Account for the coming financial year. This showed an excess of income over expenditure of £61.13s. 8d. It was estimated that for 1957/58 a rate of one penny in the £ would produce the sum of £22. 1ls. 3d.

On the proposition of Mr. S. A. Siggs, seconded by Mr. D. Pearson, it was resolved to precept for an amount of $\underline{\mathcal{E}}68$; equivalent to a 3d. rate.

An amendment proposed by Rev. J. M. Plumley, seconded by Mr. J. Bradnam, that a precept equivalent to a 2d. rate be issued was put to the vote, three voting for the motion and three against, with the Chairman abstaining.

The original proposition - That a precept in an amount of £68 be issued to Chesterton Rural District Council was then put to the meeting as a substantive motion and this was carried by four votes to three.

233. POST OFFICE STAMP MACHINE.

Mrs. Pearson suggested the need for a stamp machine and the Clerk was instructed to ask the Postmaster if one could be provided at the Post Office.

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234. SEAT - FEN ROAD.

The Clerk reported that the seat which it was agreed should be erected near the railway crossing in Fen Road, and which was the subject of an agreement with the County Council, had not as yet been erected. Members volunteered to do the work the following weekend.

235. STREET LIGHTING.

Following the completion of ten houses and bungalows on a site in Fen Road, it was resolved that an application for two additional street lights to be erected in positions to be agreed, be forwarded to the Chesterton Rural District Council.

236. RE-SITING OF WAR MEMORIAL.

The County Surveyor intimated the likelihood of the re-alignment of the Trunk Road A. 10 being done in the not too distant future, and suggested a meeting on the site to discuss the re-siting of the War Memorial. It was agreed that an appointment be made for Saturday, 9th February, at 2.30 p.m.

237. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed the next meeting be held on Tuesday, 26th March, 1957, at 7.0 p.m., to be followed at 7.45 p.m. by the Annual Parish Meeting.

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

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