

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MILTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE GRANARY, WILLOW FARM, ON TUESDAY, MAY 30TH., 1967 at 7.30pm

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

The Clerk welcomed the two newly-elected members, Mrs Jones and Mr. Summerfield.

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ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Upon the proposition of Mr. Walkling, seconded by Mr. J.S.Doggett, Mr.D.Pearson was unanimously re-elected to the Chair.

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APPRECIATION OF PAST SERVICES

The Chairman expressed the regret felt at the loss of the faithful services of Mr. Arthur Wenham on the Council. In his long record of service to the Council and village, he said, Mr. Wenham had been one of the hard workers who had helped to originate these funds and to collect local contributions which formed the nucleus of the money now being spent by the present Village Hall Committee and had also been foremost in the efforts to obtain the new School.

Mr. Walkling wished to associate himself fully with the Chairman's remarks and also couple Mrs Iris Pearson's name and long service with Mr. Wenham's in their efforts. He wished to propose that a letter of appreciation be sent to both; this was seconded by Mr. L.M.Forbes and unanimously agreed.

Mrs Jones wished to stress her association with these remarks speaking particularly, she said, as the only woman on the Council.

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ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

All the above Councillors and Chairman signed Declarations of Acceptance of their respective offices.

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APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Mr. Walkling, seconded by Mr. Summerfield, Mr.L.M.Forbes was re-appointed Vice-Chairman.

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MINUTES (1251)

On the objection of a new Councillor, Mr.Summerfield, the words 'at last' were deleted from Minute 1256. The Minutes were then confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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Road Safety (Speed of traffic in built-up area) (1252)-
The Clerk read a reply received on May 6th, from the Divisional Engineer, Ministry of Transport, to the Council's letter of Feb. 10th., indicating that he considered the volume of side road traffic at the Fen Road junction insufficient to warrant a roundabout and that the limit signs were in the right positions to encourage respect from drivers. He also considered that re-surfacing which was to be done, and the new traffic signs would decrease accidents.

Mr. S. Doggett suggested that, in reply, it could be pointed out that the village was cut into two by the A.10 and was a danger to pedestrians particularly on the Fen Road corner and that if a roundabout was not warranted a pedestrian refuge should be provided. It was agreed that the Clerk should draft a suitable reply to the Engineer.

1274 Waste Land Coles Road (1253) - The Clerk read a reply from Messrs Theodore Goddard on behalf of Messrs Gray Connolly in which they said the density proposed for their housing development at the end of Blad Lane was to be ten to the acre. It was agreed the Clerk's reply indicate the Council would await Planning Department approach before consultation on this development.

1275 Landbeach Road Cemetery (1254) - A letter of thanks from the Council for his co-operation in the hedge-cutting had been sent to Mr. David Bull.

1276 Maintenance of Bus Shelter Lighting (1255) - The contract to be entered into with Eastern Electricity for maintenance of omnibus shelter lighting was signed in duplicate by two members of the Council.

1277 Sale of Old Village Hall Site - The Clerk reported that he had been unable to follow the Council's instructions to advertise the Old Hall site for sale being advised by the District Valuer that consultation with the Ministry of Housing and Local Government was necessary before a reserve price could be fixed.

Mr. Summerfield speaking on behalf of the Committee of Management stressed the urgency of the matter and the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Valuer and the Ministry and to expedite the matter as much as possible at the same time stressing the confidential nature of the urgency.

1278 Telephone Kiosk (1257) - The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting reply from the Post Office.

1279 Path Across War Memorial Green (1260) - The Clerk reported that he was awaiting reply to the Council's enquiries to whether the County Surveyor would metal the pathway.

1280 Development at Milton Hall (1265) - The Clerk reported he was awaiting reply to the Council's complaint about this proposed development.

1281 Appeal against refusal of planning permission (1266) - The Clerk read the letter which Mr. Lewis presented at the Shire Hall Enquiry on May 2nd.

Mr. Lewis gave a brief account of his attendance at this enquiry. The Clerk was still awaiting reply as to the decision.

1282 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT OF MILTON VILLAGE HALL AND RECREATION GROUND.

The Clerk read a letter from the Secretary of 18th May qualifying his of 3rd April (Minute 1256). In his later letter he told the Council that the representative nominated would also be a member of the Development sub-Committee concerned with facilities at the Ground and Village Hall.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. E.J. Walkling that Mr. J.W.R. Lewis be nominated the Council's representative for the ensuing twelve-months. This was unanimously agreed.

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RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT TRUST DEED

The Deed of Trust had now been drawn up and was ratified under the signatures of the Chairman of the Council and Chairman of the Committee.

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OLD SCHOOL AND SCHOOLHOUSE (1222) - The Clerk read a letter from Messrs W.J. and J.G. Taylor, Solicitors of Newmarket, acting for King's College, in which they say that there will be a balance of moneys available for charitable educational purposes in the parish when the old school premises are sold and asking for the Council's observations.

Mr. J.S. Doggett suggested the establishment of a school prize. Mrs. I. Pearson and Mr. L.M. Forbes, School Managers favoured a contribution towards the heating of the School Swimming Pool.

It was agreed that detailed suggestions could not really be made until the sum of money was known and the Clerk was instructed to try and get some idea of this from Messrs W.J. and J.G. Taylor.

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st. 1967.

The Clerk submitted the Accounts. He stated that he would be producing all books for Audit as instructed on 12th June and attending personally on 22nd June.

The total receipts for the year were £501 5s and total payments of £474 14s with a net balance of £281 11 2d.

Mr. Summerfield pointed out a typing error in copying which meant that the amount of the cheque to be drawn for Audit stamp should be amended. This was done and on the proposition of Mr. Forbes seconded by Mr. Summerfield the accounts were adopted.

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FURNITURE FOR THE USE OF THE COUNCIL.

Mr. Walkling raised the question of the quality of the chairs to be used by the Council at meetings in the new Hall together with adequate accommodation for the Council.

On the proposition of Mr. Walkling, seconded by Mr. Forbes it was unanimously agreed the Committee be asked to purchase 1 dozen especially suitable and comfortable chairs for this purpose.

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MONIES RECEIVED

The Clerk reported receipt of Allotment Rents from Mr. H. Easy: £10 10s to Lady Day, 1967

£10 10s arrears to Michaelmas, 1966
Total £21 --

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BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The following bills were passed for payment:

Audit Stamp	£5		
G.&I of E. Parish Councils Ass	£6	2	6
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PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The Council approved the following:

Applicant: G.F.Levitt Ltd.,
 Description: Use of land and erection of buildings for storage,
 vehicle maintenance and office use.
 Location: adj. to 13th Public Drain, Cambridge Rd. Pt. O.S.P. 14
 Milton.
 Reference: C/67/370 (outline)

Applicant: Mr.A.Kidman
 Description: Erection of butcher's shop (0.2 acre app)(outline)
 Location: 12, Fen Road, Pt. O.S.P. 97 Milton.
 Reference: C/67/380.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

This was agreed to be held on Tuesday, July 25th., 1967.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

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Mr. J.S.Doggett raised the question of indiscriminate parking of caravans by householders in their gardens etc., which, he felt, were often in use as habitations.

The Clerk was instructed to ask the Planning Officer if regulations were being contravened and also to seek the advice of the Public Health Inspector if necessary.

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Latrines at the old school premises- Mrs Jones pointed out that the latrines in the long-disused old school premises were in a 'shocking state' and she thought them a 'menace'.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to ask Tovey Transport to clear them out and to inform Kings College of the action; also to put to the College the Council's view that they would welcome the early demolition of these buildings.

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

Signed: *J. Pearson* Chairman.

Date: *July 25th 1967*