

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held 16th. May 1978 in Morton School at 7.00.p.m.

PRESENT :

Dr.D.Hunt(Chairman) Couns.Mrs.D.Roper, A.Harris, Mrs.V.Hudston, K.Vardy, Mrs.N.Shepperson, R.Swain, S.Towndrow, H.H.Dean(Clerk).

Apologies for absence were received from Couns.B.Parr & S.Gough.

No members of the Public or Press were present.

1. MINUTES of the Annual Meeting held 5th. April 1977 were circulated and approved for signature, being so moved by Coun. Vardy, seconded by Coun.Towndrow.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- (a) The complaint laid by Mr.Knowles had been investigated by the District Council who had found no health hazards or breach of Building Regulations. The Parish Council had agreed not to become involved in neighbors disputes over Rights of Way.

(b) TOXIC WASTE

The Parish Council had been informed that it was considered by experts that the matter was by now inert. Routine sampling would continue indefinitely.

(c) WELFARE FOOTPATH

The Police had recently been requested to keep an eye on this path for cyclists, motor scooters and horses nuisances. A notice was to be erected and a new barrier designed, also, application for enumeration on the Definitive Map had been made.

(d) OLD BUILDINGS PRESERVATION

The County Council had been approached and various suggestions made on this issue but it appeared that lack of finance prevented progress. C.I.S.W.O. had also been approached but no response was forthcoming.

(e) PADLEY WOOD BRIDGE

This had been repaired and was again currently vandalised and reported to British Rail.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT.

This was found satisfactory and moved for acceptance by Dr.Hunt, seconded by Mr. Swain.

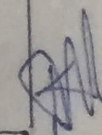
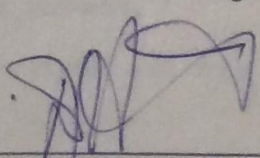
4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Presenting his report, Dr.Hunt pointed out that vandalism was a costly business and appealed for help in reporting this if seen. He went on to outline the Street Lighting improvements made and projected and also the latest position re the Colliery Spoil Heap Reclamation Scheme which had reached Compulsary Order stage. The Village Hall was providing an excellent amenity, had been painted and the drains repaired. The Bus Shelter and Wayside Seats had been repaired, but a new Shelter site had been impossible to negotiate. He hoped that thanks to the efforts of Coun.Parr & Coun.Harris, the Evershill Lane flooding problem was eliminated. Problems of parking in New Street resulted in residents being informed this was a civil matter. Other complaints of cycling, skateboarding and motor scooter nuisances had been passed to the Police. The issue of tipping of Toxic Waste had been thoroughly pressed even up to Ministerial level, but the local M.P. had not replied to any correspondence sent him. Churchyard maintenance grant had again been made and the School was helping currently with the Best Kept Village Competition. The Parish Council had also entered a Village Quiz sponsored by the Community Council. Dr. Hunt wished to thank the Parish Councillors for their efforts and devotion to duty in the village interests and also Coun. Parr who had readily given help when required and attended many Parish Council Meetings. Coun. Ted Fellows had also greatly assisted and a letter had been sent wishing him a speedy recovery from his present illness. Last, but not least, he paid tribute to the Clerk for his attention to detail and his liason with him on every issue that arose and to Coun. Mrs. Roper for the splendid way she had deputised for him when necessary.

In thanking the Chairman for a comprehensive report, Coun.Harris paid tribute to the way Dr.Hunt carried out his duties despite being a busy professional man. He was sure he voiced the thanks of the Parish Council in associating himself with the compliments paid to everyone mentioned by the Chairman.

5. CLOSURE.

There being no other business to contract, the Chairman closed the Meeting.



Minutes of the Statutory Meeting held in Morton School on Tuesday, the 16th.
May, 1978, at 7.45.p.m.

PRESENT :

Dr.D. Hunt(Chairman) Coun. Mrs. D. Roper(V/Chairman)
Couns. Mrs.V.Hudston Mrs.N.Shepperson, Mr.S.Towndrow, Mr.R.Swain, Mr.K.Vardy
Mr.A. Harris H. H. Dean(Clerk)

Apologies for absence were received from Coun.S.Gough and Coun.B.Parr.

Before vacating the Chair, Dr.Hunt briefly referred to his address made to the Annual Meeting held prior to this meeting and gave warm thanks to all the Parish Councillors and the Clerk who paid attention and devotion to their duties and had given him every support during the last year.

78/8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1978/79

In moving the election of Officers 'en bloc', Coun.Harris paid tribute to the way the Chairman had carried out his duties and also to the Clerk for his attention to detail. Coun.Swain wished to be associated with the remarks made and seconded the motion.

RESOLVED : the previous Officers be elected 'en Bloc'.

78/9. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18th.APRIL,1978

These were circulated and AGREED as correct and signed accordingly

78/10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTESA. WELFARE FOOTPATH.(78/2D refers)

The Clerk reported that the Chairman had mandated him to proceed with a notice on an estimate of £11.00. He had erected this notice when made and within a very short time it had been vandalised and taken away.

RESOLVED :

the Police be informed and the Clerk enquire regarding Insurance claim.

B. VILLAGE HALL REPAIRS.(78/2F refers)

Repairs had now been effected to the roof and the damaged switch repair was in hand. Coun. Towndrow reported that the Contractor had informed regarding the damp plaster and was going to contact the Clerk.

RESOLVED : this repair work be also undertaken.

C. STREET LIGHTING. 78/5 refers)

A letter had been received from the County Council and being informed of this, the Chairman had instructed the Clerk to obtain an estimate from the Electricity Board. This was read out and amounted to an estimated cost of £726 providing new brackets were required.

RESOLVED : the estimate be accepted and the work be allocated the Electricity Board.

D. FAULTY FIREPLACE.(78/7 refers)

Following complaint by letter, the Clerk had been informed by phone from the Housing Dept. that Mrs. White had originally refused entry into her house. However, the Social Services were arranging for Gas Central Heating to be installed.

Coun. Swain expressed doubts about this issue and following discussion it was

RESOLVED :

enquiry be made of Mr.Jellings at County Offices with copy letter to Mr. Patterson, Social Services at Clay Cross.

E. RATE COLLECTION. 78/7P refers

A letter of acknowledgement of receipt of same was read. Noted and filed.

F. FOOTPATH BRIDGE GUIDE RAIL.(78/4H refers)

Coun. Harris reported that no action had been taken on this matter by the District Council.

RESOLVED : the Clerk solicit the help of County to get this repair effected.

78/11. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Letters were read in respect of the Village Hall Insurance which in total would be approximately £100 for cover of £35,000 building and £3000 contents which would include £1000 belonging to the Management Committee. An Agreement between the Parish Council and the Committee could be drawn up regarding their payment.

RESOLVED :

the Clerk proceed with the new Insurance cover as stated and draw up an Agreement with the Management Committee.

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- b. Letter re Village Hall Rate Relief. Noted and filed.
 - c. Letter from Chief Constable re Skateboarding. Noted and filed
 - d. Notice of County withdrawal of reorganisation of Registration Districts. Noted
 - e. Letter regarding Quiz to be held. Noted and filed.
 - f. Letter re Grant Applications. Noted and filed.
 - g. Reply to objection to tipping of Waste as informed by Coun. Beaumont. It was agreed that this matter would have to be carefully watched in view of past events.

78/12. HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

It was queried as to why some grass verges were cut and others left uncut.

- G. RESOLVED : the District Council be queried on this matter.
- H. Discussion took place on the possibility and advisability of diverting Footpath No.7.
RESOLVED : the opinion of the County Council be sought. (Clerk)
- I. It was reported that the Pilsley Road sign plate was hanging off.
RESOLVED : the District Council be informed and Coun. Mrs. Shepperson would place the sign in safe custody pending repairs being effected.
- J. The possibility of Padley Wood Bridle Way being part converted to a Road was being mooted by Pilsley Parish Council due to nuisances to residents by farm deposits.
RESOLVED : the opinion of the County Council be sought.
- K. Pot-holes on Higham Lane were Agreed to be reported to the District Council.

78/13. PLANNING

- 278/165. Garge erection at 'BY-WAYS', Church Lane for F.G. Walthall. Granted.
- 578/469. Ash Reclamation from disused tip for J. McKay. Objection been sent but reply to same with plan confused this with Spoil Heap. Clerk to investigate.
- 478/435. Internal alterations-Sycamore Farm for D.A. Totty. No objections.
- 478/397. Change of use for repair of agricultural machinery-Peewitt Farm. No objections.

78/14. GENERAL BUSINESS

- L. Relative to the Best Kept Village Competition the matter of Litter was discussed and it was reported that paper bags used for refuse collection were being ripped open by cats and dogs. The quality of the bags was queried. the Litter Bin outside the Village Hall was never emptied, the dust bins at the school were not emptied on a regular basis and when they were emptied, litter was left scattered about. Query was made as to the possibility of a Bin at the Bus Stop near the school.

RESOLVED :

all these matters be taken up with the District Council. (Clerk)

J. Hunt
25/4/78

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held in Morton School on Tuesday the 20th.
June, 1978, at 7.0. p.m.

PRESENT :

Dr. D. Hunt (Chairman) Coun. Mrs. D. Roper (V/Chairman)
Couns. Mrs. V. Hudston Mrs. N. Shepperson Mr. S. Towndrow Mr. R. Swain
H. H. Dean (Clerk)

Apologies for absence were received from Couns. Gough, Harris, Vardy and Parr.

In opening the meeting, the Chairman referred to the death of Coun. Ted Fellows and paid tribute to his services to Local Government over many years. The Clerk and himself would be attending the memorial service prior to cremation and he hoped other members would be able to attend.
It was Agreed the Clerk make enquiries regarding floral tributes and take the necessary action on behalf of the Parish Council.

78/15. MINUTES of the Meeting held 16th. May, 1978 were approved as correct.

78/16. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- A. The Clerk reported that despite extensive investigations, the Police had failed to find the culprits responsible for the notice board vandalism and theft.
- B. VILLAGE HALL REPAIRS (78/10 refers)
The work had been started but difficulty had arisen in getting the Contractor to finish the work.
RESOLVED : the Clerk withhold payment until the work is completed.
- C. STREET LIGHTING (78/10C refers)
The E.M.E.B. had written accepting the contract and hoped to start in August.
- D. FOOTBRIDGE HANDRAIL (78/10F refers)
County had now passed this work to the Divisional Engineer for action thereon.
- E. VILLAGE HALL INSURANCE 78/11a refers)
The Clerk reported that a new Policy was being prepared and we were covered in the interim for £35,000 building and £3000 contents. An Agreement had also been signed by the Management Committee for their payment in respect of their contents.
- F. TIPPING OF CONTROLLED WASTE (78/11g refers)
The Chairman had been in close liason with the Clerk on this issue and a letter had now been sent to the Minister of the Environment.
- G. FOOTPATH DIVERSION & ALTERATIONS (78/12H & 78/12J refers)
From correspondence, it was noted that Footpath 7 should read Footpath 2 and the owner of the land should make application for any diversion. Padley Wood Bridle Road was already registered as a roadway and Pilsley Parish Council were informed.
- H. HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS (78/12G, I & K refers)
A letter from District Council stated the complaints were being investigated.
- I. FAULTY FIREPLACE (78/10D refers)
From a letter sent by the Social Services, it appeared this matter was not yet satisfactory.
RESOLVED : to ask the District Council what action was contemplated.
- J. LITTER COMPLAINTS (78/14 refers)
The District Council had replied that these matters would receive attention.

78/17. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Notice of Audit. AGREED the Clerk make all the necessary arrangements.
2. Letter re the composition of District Library Committee. Noted and filed.
3. House to House collections applications. Council's attitude remains unchanged.
4. Notice of sale of Cine-Projector. No interest.
5. Minutes of Road Safety Committee. Noted and filed.
6. Letter of thanks from Parochial Church Council for grant aid. Noted and filed.
7. Letter of thanks for Quiz arrangements from Community Council. Noted and filed.
8. Letter from Lawyer re Charity Registration. Clerk explained position to date
9. Notification of reorganisation of Petty Sessions. Noted and filed.

78/18. HIGHWAYS

- a. Some discussion ensued on the tidiness of grass verges after cutting operations.
RESOLVED :
to inform the District Council and also request that the wide verges from New Street to Church Lane be converted to tarmac surfacing.

- b. Reports of heavy vehicles using Higham Lane raised discussion regarding the application for weight restrictions to be applied. Since the County Council had previously been anxious to close this roadway it was thought that this issue should be approached with caution and the Clerk endeavour to ascertain County present day thinking.
RESOLVED : the Clerk make diplomatic enquiries.

78/19. PLANNING

- 578/541. Garage and alterations -2 Penfold Way -Mr.G.Walker. No objections.
- 578/557. Garage - 586 Pilsley Rd. - Mr.& Mrs. Huckle No objections.
- 378/284. Garage- 585 Pilsley Rd. - Mrs. Wood. Granted notification.
- 578/516. Barn conversion - Sycamore Farm - D.& A. Totty No objections.
- 678/611. House and Garage -37 Stretton Rd. - Mr. M. Clark No objections.
- 678/617. Extensions - Padley wood Lane - Mr. J. Blount. No objections.

78/20. FINANCE

The following accounts were ratified and agreed for payment :

A.B.C. Signs	Notice Board	£10.80
Engas	Lighting repair(Village Hall)	3.24
R. Megget	Roof repairs (Village Hall)	120.97
Parochial Church Council	Churchyard Maintenance Grant	80.00
Mrs. Shepperson	Quiz refreshments	1.30

The Clerk reported that the Precept in the sum of £1905.00 had been paid into the Bank by the District Council and following general discussion on finance matters it was

RESOLVED : that the Clerk transfer £1000 into the Deposit Account.

78/21. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. It was reported that the hedge belonging to the Riding School and which bordered the footpath on Main Road, was overhanging and causing nuisance to pedestrians.
RESOLVED : the Riding School be requested to eliminate this nuisance.
- b. Replying to questions, the Clerk stated that there was no immediate pressing business envisaged over the next few weeks and following general discussion on holiday commitments etc. it was
RESOLVED : that the Parish Council recess until 19th. September, 1978. The Clerk to liase with the Chairman and in the event of any important issue arising, a Special Meeting was to be convened.
- c. The Clerk reported that following receipt of the letter from the Solicitor re the new Trust Deed, after consultation with the Chairman, he had met the Village Hall Trustees to discuss the Deed in its entirety. The Committee had agreed the Deed& signed their agreement. It now remained for the signatures of the Chairman and Clerk of the Parish Council to be approved.
RESOLVED : The Chairman and the Clerk sign on behalf of the Parish Council.

D.M. Roper
19.9.78