

MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN MORTON SCHOOL, 21st. JULY 1981, at 7.00. o'clock p.m.

PRESENT : Dr.D. Hunt(Chairman)                      Mrs. V. Hudston(V/Chairman)  
          Mrs. D. Roper, Mrs. G. Bacon, Mrs. N. Shepperson, A. Harris, S. Gough, R. Swain,  
          S. Towndrow, H. H. Dean(Clerk)  
ALSO PRESENT : P. C. Chidlow.  
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllr. Bert Parr.

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81/26. MINUTES of the Meeting held on 16th. June 1981 were approved and signed.

81/27. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

- a. FOOTPATHS(81/19a refers) - Comment was made that very little progress had been made on the repairs to the bridge on Footpath 7. All the fears previously expressed on this issue were reiterated and the Chairman stated that there was little more we could do to expedite this matter.
- b. VILLAGE HALL DECORATING(81/19b refers) - It was reported that this project was now completed and was most satisfactory.
- c. CHURCH LANE GRASS VERGES(81/19c REFERS) - Mrs. Hudston reported that Mr. Slater had now supplied her with grass seed. The Chairman thanked Mrs. Hudston for her efforts.
- d. PARKING-MAIN ROAD(81/19e refers) - A letter from the District Council informed that this issue will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting on 20th. August 1981.
- e. TRANSPORT BUSINESS - STRETTON ROAD(81/21 refers) - A letter from the District Council informed that transactions currently being negotiated hoped to resolve this matter.
- f. ROAD RE-SURFACING(81/21d refers) - A letter from the County Council stated that that the work done was normal under the County policy.
- g. BUS SHELTER(81/23c refers) - The Clerk stated he had placed the matter in the hands of the Community Industry and awaited their estimate for painting etc.
- h. SCHOOL MEMENTO CROWNS(81/25b refers) - The Chairman stated he had obtained the Crown pieces for presentation to the children and suggested the Clerk liase with Mr. Wass regarding the presentation. AGREED.
- i. ROCKING HORSE(81/25e refers) - The Clerk reported this had been removed for repairs and was now returned. He had requested he be notified in future.
- j. SPORTS COUNCIL(81/22(1) refers) - The Chairman reported that he had been re-elected.
- k. FOOTPATHS(81/22f 7 g refers) - Mrs Hudston reported on all relevept matters in respect of these and had met Mr. Blair from the County Footpaths Dept. The Chairman thanked Mrs. Hudston for her interest and efforts.

81/28. POLICE MATTERS

Further discussion ensued in respect of the dangers at Footpath No.7. and the Officer stated that this was being continually monitored. He was also asked to note that cycles and horses ridden on Footpath No.4. was also being complained of. Relative to the fear of Gypsies on Red Lane it was reported that one left and only one came back. In reply to questions the Polcie Officer informed of their position regarding these sort of people and also of the various areas provided for them.

81/29. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter from District Council requesting review of Precept. Clerk explained this matter in detail and it was AGREED no change since we were well below target.
- b. Application for Churchyard Maintenance grant. In discussion, the Chairman suggested that the Parish Council purchase a special strimming machine rather than grant the usual £40. The cost could then be offset by no further grants until the usual grant given equalled the cost of the machine. RESOLVED this be done and the Clerk liase with Mr. Clarke to obtain the machine on the best terms available.
- c. Notice of Gas Service Contract increase.
- d. Letter fro District Council Chairman in respect of his Charity Appeal. Resolved this be supported by endeavouring to hold the Quiz semi-final in the Village Hall and donating to proceeds to the Appeal.
- e. Letter in respect of Public Enquiry expenses. Clerk explained this in detail.

81/30. PLANNING

Notice that applications 381/347, 381/440 and 381/348 had been refused.

81/31. HIGHWAYS

- a. Matters relating to organisations posting notices of events throughout the village these events being related to their own Parish. The Clerk pointed out the offences committed by posting notices other than on Notice Boards and stated he would inform the Parishes guilty of these offences to desist in future.
- b. The Clerk stated he would communicate with British Rail in respect of complaints made at the Bridge approach on the footpath from Evershill Lane.
- c. In reply to questions, the Clerk stated the matter of the re-painting of the Bus Shelter was still in the hands of the Community Industry.

81/32. FINANCE

It was AGREED that the following accounts be paid and Cheques signed thereto :

L. Hazelgrove.....	Village Hall Painting.....	£552.60
H. H. Dean.....	Quarter Salary & Expenses....	£ 89.27
D. J. Hunt.....	Reimbursement of Memento cost..	£30.00

81/33. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. Relative to the Quiz Competition, the Chairman gave an outline of the preliminary round staged at Wessington and thanked everyone for their contribution. He also expressed his pleasure in agreeing that the Clerk endeavour to have the semi-final staged at Morton and the proceeds therefrom donated to Cllr Haslems appeal for funds towards the purchase of 'phonic ears' for the Deaf. Supporting the Chairman, Mrs. Hudston was of the opinion that if the event could be staged at Morton. it Could be made a success. Members of the Parish Council agreed and promised support. The Clerk also promised every support and effort in order to get the event at Morton.

Some discussion took place on the replacing of steps at the Village Hall by a ramp in order to facilitate easier entrance and exit by wheelchairs etc. The Chairman pointed out that obviously this could only be effected at the Emergency Exit and after consultation with the Clerk, he anticipated all sorts of difficulties since the area of ground required belonged to the Welfare. However, this project would be given every consideration on the grounds of a much required necessity.

Signed.....*J. Harris*.....  
Chairman

Date.....*15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1981*.....

MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN MORTON SCHOOL 15TH. SEPTEMBER 1981, AT 7.00.0'CLOCK P.M.

PRESENT : A. Harris (Chairman)

Mrs. Roper, Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. Bacon, S. Gough, R. Swain, S. Towndrow

ALSO PRESENT : Cllr. J. Rotter, P. C. Land.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Dr. Hunt, Mrs. Hudston.

81/34. MINUTES of the Meeting held on 21st. July 1981 were approved and signed.

81/35. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

- a. FOOTPATH No. 7. (81/27a refers) - Notice of further closure was read, also letters from the Ministry and County Council. Some legal faction was holding up progress but it was hoped this could be resolved and the repairs effected very soon.
- b. PARKING-MAIN ROAD (81/27a refers) - Cllr. Rotter submitted a report of the District Councils Technical Officer to the Development Services Sub-Committee. There was no finance available only under exceptional circumstances and the obvious solution was to create a Car Par in the vicinity that would cost about £6500. It was suggested in the report that residents be approached to meet a proportion of the costs involved if the Council were able to provide a car park. A lengthy discussion ensued on this issue and Cllr. Towndrow strongly supported a view put by the Chairman that an endeavour should be made to obtain a lawful dispensation to allow parking on the wide pavement areas. The Clerk respectfully submitted this was somewhat farcical as in effect, the Council was requesting; both the District Council and the Chief Constable to contravene the Highways Act. This viewpoint was supported by the Officer present and Cllr. Swain. The Chairman put this issue to the vote after moving a Resolution, seconded by Cllr. Towndrow that a dispensation be sought. The Resolution was defeated by 5 votes against 2 for. It was finally Resolved this issue be closed.
- c. CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE (81/29b refers) - The Clerk reported that a Strimmer had been purchased and there was visual evidence as to effectiveness by the work already accomplished by Mr. Clarke. This was endorsed by other members of the Council.
- d. QUIZ (81/29d refers) - The Clerk detailed the date and arrangements he had negotiated and it now remained to complete the final domestic arrangements. It was Resolved that the Clerk draft posters advertising the event, the Council provide the refreshments, a raffle be held on the night and a charge of 20p. be made for admission, this to include refreshments.
- e. BUS SHELTER (81/27e refers) - Following a report by the Clerk of his difficulties of obtaining firm commitment by the Community Industry, it was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Mr. Hazelgrove with a view to him doing this work.
- f. PADLEY WOOD BRIDGE AREA (81/31b refers) - It was reported that nothing had been done to eliminate the complaints made. The Clerk agreed to contact British Rail.
- g. VILLAGE HALL RAMP (81/33b refers) - Cllr. Swain supported the Clerk when he stated that whilst no approach had been made to the Welfare Committee as building on their land, relationships were a little strained at the time.

81/36. POLICE MATTERS

The Clerk read out letters of complaint regarding Motor Cycles nuisances and handed copies of these to the Officer. He also explained that one copy had already been sent to Chief Supt. Unwin and since he had also received complaints by phone, he was of the impression that if something was not done soon, complainants would take the law into their own hands. Other members of the Council enumerated the many complaints and were of the opinion the matter was getting out of hand. Questions were raised as to what had happened to the Village Bobby as Constable Hall had become recognised as. Following a very lengthy discussion on this issue, the Officer stated he would look into the matter. It was also Resolved that the Clerk write to Chief Supt. Unwin regarding the aspects discussed.

In reply to questions, the Officer understood that previous complaints had been looked into and that monitoring was carried out on Footpath No. 7.

After the Officer had left, it was observed that the motor cycles were riding about circus fashion on the Reclamation site.

81/37. CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. Letter re Civic Service. Clerk explained this had been cancelled.
- b. Results of Best Kept village Competition. Certificate of Merit to be displayed.
- c. Minutes of the V.p.e.h Committee. Noted and filed.
- d. Notice of sale of surplus stock by District Council. Noted.
- e. Letter from County that hedges and trees complaints dealt with.
- f. Notice of Liason Committee Meeting.
- g. Notice of Dioxin Disposal Enquiry. Clerk explained and documents ready for delegates.

81/38. PLANNING

981/851. Hall extension to Farmhouse, Sycamore Farm for D. Totty. No objection.  
Notice that 381/412 had been approved.

81/38. FINANCE

RESOLVED the following accounts be approved :

Duffin & Son..... Stationery.....£9.34

The payment between Meetings for the Strimmer, £185.00. was endorsed.

81/39. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. From a document presented on behalf of Mrs. Hudson in her absence, the Clerk stated he would sort these matters out for attention since some had already been dealt with.
- b. Complaint was made of residents being charged for refuse collection on Saturdays. Resolved to query this issue with the District Council.
- c. Cllr. Towndrow enumerated complaints experienced at the Bus Station at Clay Cross by two village residents. Also of one elderly person accompanied by small children. The Clerk noted these incidents and since he was meeting the Manager of the Bus the following evening, he would present the complaints personally.
- d. Complaint was made that the bollards on the Welfare Footpath required whitening in order to eliminate people walking into them in the dark. Resolved the District Council be informed.
- e. Water leaks were reported in the vicinity of Evershill Lane, Nos, 4 or 6. To be reported to the Water Authority.
- f. It was reported that a street light was out at the Bus Stop outside the School. The Clerk would inform County Maintenance.

Signed..........  
Chairman.

Date..20.10.87..



MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN MORTON SCHOOL, 10th. October 1981 at 7.00. o'clock p.m.

PRESENT : Dr. D. Hunt(chairman) Cllr. Mrs. Hudston(V/Chairman)  
Cllrs. Mrs. Roper, Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. Bacon, S. Towndrow, S. Gough, A. Harris, R. Swain.  
APLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllr. B. Parr and Cllr. J. Rotter.  
ALSO PRESENT : P.C. Barrass, 1 Press and 2 members of the Public.

81/40. MINUTES

With the addition that Cllr. Rotter explained the 28day time limit placed on the Coach business at Stretton Road, the Minutes were approved and signed.

81/42. POLICE MATTERS

Cllr. Swain made vehement protest at the article that had appeared in the 'Derbyshire Times' regarding viligante action against the complaints of motor cycle nuisances. This followed the reading of a letter from Chief Supt. Unwin in reply to complaints sent to him and the query regarding Constable Hall, whom the letter stated was transferred to further his career and Constable Barrass was replaeing hom. Regarding the other letter contents, the Clerk stated the number of complaints he received and the threats therein and he had every sympathy with the residents. Cllr Swain stated he had no complaints against the Clerk whatsoever and was questioning the attitude of the Council on the viligante aspect. He went on to express some sympathy with the lads in question and also the Police. Cllr. Mrs. Bacon, in supporting the Clerk who had done everything they had requested, outlined an accident that had taken place outside her home involving a motor cyclist, was of the opinion that this had been some small deterrent as there now appeared some slight improvement. Her sympathies lay with the residents who had put up with the nuisances long enough. Constable Barrass firstly explained his posting which included Morton and went on to explain he was fully conversant with the problem which was not one allied to Morton alone. He had already gathered the majority of the offenders together and had made it quite clear to them he would tolerate no nonsense and he would play fair if they would. This was not a softly-softly approach, but his belief that given a chance, the lads would co-operate which they had promised him they would do. If they did'nt, they had been warned and knew the consequences. He believed that his action was already paying dividends and queried if there was any diminution of complaints. In thanking the Officer for his action and applauding same, members stated there had certainly been less aggravation and we had to await to see if this continued. Relative to Footpath 7, the Constable stated that despite the warning notices, adults as well as children were still using the footpath. The Clerk explained the position regarding this footpath and would write further to the County Council. The Constable stated he would investigate the position relative to cars parking on the brows of the hills mentioned. In further discussion on Parking, following the reading of a letter from the District Council who suggested residents purchase land for this purpose, it was AGREED the Clerk write County as to the possibility of dividing the wide pavement for parking purposes

81/43. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

- a. QUIZ COMPETITION(81/35a refers) - The Chairman reported that they had lost to a very good team of opponents. Mrs. Hudston stated that £12 had been raised as a result of the event and this was passed to the Clerk to be forwarded to the Phonic Ear appeal. Thanks were expressed to every one for their efforts.
- b. BUS SHELTER(81/35e refers) - Reported this had been repaired by Mr. Hazelgrove.
- c. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION(81/37 refers) The Clerk reported that the Council was to receive a flowering tree as a result of being one of the most improved villages. It was AGREED the Clerk liase with Mrs. Hudston with a view to planting the tree on the School premises.

LIASON COMMITTEE(81/37d refers)- Letters were read from the District Council to the Village Hall that Cllr. Beaumont and Mr. Swain had been appointed representatives to the Village Hall Management Committee. The Clerk had obtained a legal ruling on this issue but had been overruled at the Meeting. Cllr. Harris stated the Clerk had presented an excellent case but it appeared obvious the ruling body could do as they liked. Cllr. Towndrow stated that there was nothing personal against Mr. Swain and the protest was against a wrong principle involved in this issue.

- d. REFUSE COLLECTION(81/39b refers)-Letters of reply were read on the Clerk reported on the action he had taken and the matter appeared to be now closed.
- e. BUS SERVICE COMPLAINTS(81/39c refers) - A letter from the Bus Co. dismissed this issue somewhat lightly and the Clerk was taking up this matter again with the Bus Company.
- f. PADLEY WOOD BRIDGE(81/34f refers)- Since no action had been taken, the Clerk stated he would contact the Engineer again to expedite this matter.
- g. VILLAGE HALL RAMP(81/34g refers)- AGREED the Clerk write the Welfare Trustees as to the possibility of dedication of land to allow for this to be effected.
- h. DIOXIN ENQUIRY(81/37g refers)- Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Hudston gave a comprehensive report of their attendance at the enquiry. Various opinions had been given as to the depths of burial, molecular action and times of deterioration. Statement made by the Water Board had been queried. One thing had come out of the enquiry that was most wrong and of some concern - some untruths had been made over this issue. Mrs. Bacon requested that the Parish Council consider supporting a move asking the Minister to originate a Government Public Enquiry. This met with approval and the Clerk was requested to write to the Minister requesting such an enquiry to be set up. It was further agreed after query by Mr. Swain, that the County Council be queried as to whether the substance TR2 had been tipped into the Toxic Waste site.

#### 81/44. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Notice of one day School at Tawney House. Noted and filed.
- b. Notice of transfer of Licence - 'Live and Let Live'. Noted and filed.
- c. Letter from Water Board re Toxic Waste disposal. Copy to Mrs. Hudston and Mrs. Bacon.
- d. Letter of advice re Christmas Tree Lights. Noted and filed.
- e. Notice of sale of Vehicles and and Trees also grants for Tree Planting. Noted and filed.

#### 81/45. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

- a. Water seepage at New street and Evershill Lane to be reported to the Water Board.
- b. Defunct lights at Penfold Way, Church Lane, Maltby Ave. and Back Lane to be reported.

#### 81/45. PLANNING MATTERS

1081/957. Proposed Bungalow for Mr. Hollingsworth, Church Lane Farm. No objections. Notice that 381/436 application had been approved.

#### 81/46. FINANCE

The following accounts were approved for payment and cheques signed thereto :

H. H. Dean.....	Salary	Expenses.	77.85
Phonic ar Fund Donation.			12.00
MRS. SHEPHERSON.	GRASS REFRESHMENTS		8.80

Notice of Precept required was discussed and it was AGREED this be a 2p. Rate at £753 a penny rate product for 1982/83 to realise £1506.00.

Cllr. Harris informed of the Government's new proposals for Rating as discussed at the Liason Committee Meeting and it was AGREED to support the objection being made to these.

#### 81/47. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. It was AGREED that a letter be sent to the County Council expressing thanks for the Enquiry held into the Dioxin Disposal issue. At this same time, to also ask Mr. Ashcroft if he would kindly remind those responsible for promises made regarding the closure of the Toxic Waste site and inform as to how near this is to being accomplished.

Signed.....  
Chairman

Date.....

MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY Meeting held in Morton School on 17th. November 1981 at 7.00. o'clock p.m.

PRESENT : Dr<sup>1</sup> D. Hunt (Chairman) Mrs. V. Hudston (V/Chairman)

Cllrs. Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. Bacon, R. Swain, S. Towndrow, A. Harris, S. Gough.

ALSO PRESENT : P.W. Slater.

Apologies for absence ; Mrs. D. Roper.

17/8. MINUTES of the Meeting held on 10th. October 1981 were approved and signed.

17/9. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

- a. QUIZ(81/43a refers) - A letter of thanks from Cllr. G. Haslem was read acknowledging the grant made to the Phonic Ear Fund.
- b. BEST KEPT VILLAGE AWARD(81/43c refers) - The Clerk detailed the arrangements made for the tree planting ceremony at the School.
- c. PADLEY WOOD BRIDGE(81/43f refers) - A letter from British Rail informed that the complaint was being rectified.
- d. VILLAGE HALL RAMP(81/43g refers) - The Clerk reported that the Welfare Secretary had informed him that the Trustees were dealing with the request made.
- e. DIOXIN ENQUIRY(81/43h refers) - A letter from the Minister informed that he was now awaiting a report of the County Enquiry following the perusal of which, he would make a decision on future action.  
A letter from Mr. Ashcroft thanked the Parish Council for their kind remarks.
- f. WATER SEEPAGE(81/45a refers) - It was complained that these matters had not received attention and it was AGREED that the Clerk again report the complaints.

17/50. POLICE MATTERS

Cllr. Harris made comment on the old people in the Maltby Avenue area having some fear of suspected prowlers and the Officer noted this. Cllr. Towndrow made some query on the Law in respect of "L" drivers being accompanied by a competent driver under the influence of drink. The Officer stated this as somewhat complex and could be subject to much discussion and argument legally. It was felt that former complaints about motor cycles had abated considerably and the Officer reported that Footpath 7 was still being monitored. The Clerk remarked that older people set poor example since they ignored the notices of closure and still used the footpath despite the dangers thereon. It was agreed that the sooner this work was finished, the better for everyone concerned.

17/51. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter that Bollards on Welfare Footpath had been whitened.
- b. Notice of application for Off-Licence at 33/35 Main Road, Morton.
- c. Notice of sale of Christmas Trees. Noted.
- d. Information re Community Services by Offenders Scheme. AGREED invite Mr. Watson to address the next Meeting to explain this matter further.
- e. Notice of requirements of Cinematograph Acts. Noted.
- f. Further letter re Parking on Main Road. Still awaiting full reply from County.
- g. Notice of Day Study at Tawney House. No interest.
- h. Letter re Government proposed Rating procedures. Clerk explained.
- i. Letter re Workers Co-operative. Clerk explained this scheme.

17/52. PLANNING

181/450. Recovery of Unburnt Fuel. Notice this was granted and the Clerk reported on his actions that had led to this notification being received.

181/981. Extension to Dormer and Erection of Porch at 'Linalpe', Holland Close, for R. Campbell Morgan. No objections.

17/53. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

- a. Lights requiring attention were reported at Stretton Road, Maltby Avenue, Outside the School and Penfold Way.
- b. It was AGREED to request Shirland & Higham Parish to report the condition of the Highway Footpath leading from Sitwell Villas to Stretton Top.

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10154. FINANCE

The following accounts were approved for payment and Cheques signed thereto .

Duffin & Son.....	Stationary .....	4.36
G. Curley.....	Insurance.....	171.86
Mrs. Hudston.....	Travel Expenses.....	12.35
Mrs. Bacon.....	Travel Expenses.....	2.78
L. Hazelgrove.....	Bus Shelter Repair...	125.00

10155. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. Following discussion on the water that still seeped onto the Main Road from the Reclamation site, it was Agreed the Clerk request Mr. Cowley to look into this matter.
- b. Complaint was made regarding the moving of the Bus Stop sign outside Nos,52A and 54 Main Road. It was stated that the new position caused some nuisance to the residents. The Litter Bin was also involved in this movement and the Clerk was requested to make enquiries on this issue at County level. Comment was made that the County and District Council representatives were not present to listen to the complaints of the residents.
- c. The Clerk reported on receiving telephone information from the Welfare Secretary in respect of tipping in the Red Lane Footpath areas. He had immediately contacted County on this matter who had promised to contact the informant and to send an Officer to investigate.

Signed .....  
Chairman

Date...15.12.91...



MINUTES

of

REGULAR MEETING held in MORTON SCHOOL on 15th. DECEMBER 1981 at 7.00. o'clock p.m.

PRESIDENT : Dr. D. Hunt (chairman) Mrs. V. Hudston (V/Chairman)  
 Cllrs. Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. Bacon, Mr. Gough, Mr. Harris, Mr. Towndrow, Mr. Swain  
APPOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllr. B. Parr, Cllr. J. Rotter.  
 Also Present : P.C. Barrass

81/56. MINUTES of the Meeting held on 17th. November 1981 were approved and signed.

81/57. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

- a. TREE PLANTING (81/49a refers) - It was reported that the ceremony had been well conducted and well attended. Mr. Wass had expressed his thanks in a letter.
- b. PADLEY WOOD BRIDGE (81/49h refers) - No progress reported. Clerk to enquire further.
- c. DICKIN ENQUIRY (81/43h refers) - Report now published and awaiting circulation.
- d. WATER COMPLAINTS (81/45a refers) - No progress reported. Clerk to further complain.
- e. COMMUNITY SERVICES (81/51d refers) - Mr. Watson would attend January Meeting.
- f. STREET LIGHTING (81/53a refers) - Despite continual reporting, little action had been effected. RESOLVED a strong letter of complaint be sent to County level.
- g. PAVEMENT COMPLAINTS (81/53a refers) - The Clerk reported on his dialogue with Mr. Mathews who had been of the opinion that these were not too bad. He had been made aware that due to lack of Bus Services many persons had now to walk these pavement lengths in the dark, particularly from the Hospital. Mr. Mathews had been convinced and would recommend his Council to report as requested.
- h. WATER SEEPAGE ONTO THE HIGHWAY (81/55a refers) - A letter from Mr. Cowley informed that whilst some work had been carried already, it had become obvious that further monitoring had to be carried out to achieve final elimination of the problem.

81/58. POLICE MATTERS

It was reported that the old people at Sitwell Villas were now much happier after Police monitoring for prowlers which had seemingly frightened the prowlers away. Complaint was made of Horses riding on Footpath No. 4 and on Footpaths in general.  
 In thanking the Police in general for their efforts in general during the past year and extending Seasonal Wishes, the Chairman also made particular reference to Constable Barrass for attention to detail and duty. His willingness to talk to people had earned him the respect of many residents. The Constable suitably replied.

81/59. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Reply regarding County Planning applications. Noted and filed.
- b. Reply re expenses for Public Footpath Enquiry attendance. Clerk dealing with this.
- c. Notice of increased grants for Bus Shelters. Noted and filed.
- d. Letter from District Council in respect of 'Fly Posting'. The Chairman stated the Clerk, with his permission, had agreed to attend Court as a witness if legal action ensued. The Chairman's action was endorsed and it was stated in discussion it was timely that some action was taken to prevent this fly posting.
- e. A letter of enquiry regarding the Village Hall facilities had been submitted by the District Council and dealt with by the Clerk.

81/60. PLANNING

- 1281/1099. Kitchen & Utility Room extension, 64 Stretton Road for B. Wynne. No objection.  
 1281/1125. Kitchen extension, 12 Bacchus Way for B.W. Cresswell. No objection.

Notice that 1081/981 was approved.

Notice that Mrs. King had appealed against refusal for residential development.

A/A

8-61. HIGHWAY MATTERS

- a. Some discussion ensued at the lack of snow clearance work. Complaint was made that essential services had been disrupted as a result of not being able to get through. It was agreed that similar conditions were appertaining all over the Country but Mr. Harris discounted that a complaint would solicit a reply that economy cuts was the cause of lack of more attention to this work. It was finally agreed that a formal complaint be registered with the County and District Councils.
- b. In reply to Mrs. Hudston, the Clerk stated he had no reply regarding footpaths on the reclamation site. He would write further on this issue.
- c. Mr. Harris reported that Footpath 7 was now much safer and he queried as whether not the work was completed. The Clerk would make enquiries.
- d. The poor condition of Pit Lane was reported and it was AGREED County be informed.

8-62. FINANCE

It was AGREED the following accounts be paid and Choques signed thereto:

H. H. Dean.... Notice Board repairs... £14.50  
Mrs. G. Bacon. Reimbursement for presentation gift. £7.95

8-63. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. The Chairman raised the issue of the dark areas of Street Lighting and in particular that area from the School towards the Corner Pin. He reminded that a scheme for the whole of Main Road had been drawn up some considerable time ago and nothing had been done towards this. He suggested that consideration be now given to this area as a start as it would be of help to the Parking problem therat. He had asked to bring along the former scheme that had been prepared for discussion. Members agreed with the Chairman's comments and made study of the former plan. In reply to questions, the Clerk stated that obviously prices had inflated and he was not in a position to give an estimate. However, he suggested that he be mandated to see Mr. Atkin at County level with a view as to costing part or the whole of the area suggested. He was in a position to state that in his opinion, the Council's finances would support a start to be effected and then progressively follow up until completion of the whole. RESOLVED that the Clerk enter into discussion with Mr. Atkin with a view to a scheme being implemented.
- b. In reply to questions, the Clerk explained the law in respect of publication of the Council Minutes. Following discussion it was AGREED that copy be issues for posting in the Village Hall.
- c. Relative to the Village Hall sign, the Clerk stated Mr. Whitworth was negotiating prices for this and he would report in due course.

(Signed)..........  
Chairman.

(Date).....10.12.80.....