

CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Council held in the Baptist Chapel Schoolroom on Monday, February 17th 1969.

- Present: Councillor Mr. F. A. Knight (Chairman)
Councillors/ Mr. R. O. Boast, Mr. A. J. Carr; Mr. P. Felce;
Mr. M. L. Foulger; Mr. A. N. Morris; Mr. R. A. McGeorge.
Mr. B. Whittam, Clerk.
- Minutes: The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on December 19th 1968 were read and confirmed and then signed by the Chairman.
- Accounts: The following accounts were passed for payment:
East Midlands Electricity Board, Street Lighting: £ 34. 0. 10.
Norwich Union Insurance Society Public Liability: £ 2. 10. 0.
- Footbridge. The Clerk read a letter from the Welland and Nene River Authority informing the Council that a scheme for improving the Chelveston Brook had been submitted to the Ministry and that the scheme included the making of a new cut near the Fitzwilliam Arms. The River Authority asked for the views of the Council as to whether a new footbridge would be required as the footpath affected, M.M.L., is now rarely used and there would seem to be no justification for spending public money on the provision of a footbridge if it is ^{no} longer required. The Council appreciated the view of the River Authority, but in the knowledge of members the footpath is regularly used by anglers and the Clerk was asked to reply to the River Authority accordingly.
- Water Lane Footbridge The Clerk also read a letter from the Divisional Surveyor replying to the Request by the Chelveston Women's Institute for an extension of the footbridge in Water Lane. The letter assumed that the request related to ~~the~~ hardened path along the west grass verge from the footbridge to a point clear of the normal flooding area of the road and as in the Divisional Surveyor's opinion this would form a distinct improvement he would arrange to fit this into his works programme at the first opportunity.
- The Clerk was asked to write thanking the Divisional Surveyor for his proposed action and suggesting at the same time that the path be made wide enough for prams. The Clerk was also asked to inform the Women's Institute of the Divisional Surveyor's reply.
- Street Lighting Members reported that lamps in Caldecott, were alight all day and that a lamp on the Green and one in ~~Chelveston~~ ^{Caldecott} were not lit and the Clerk was asked to inform the Electricity Board.
- Parish Meeting It was decided that the Annual Parish Meeting be held on Monday, March 17th 1969 at 8-0 p.m.

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- Present:** Councillors Mr. A. J. Carr, Mr. P. Felce; Mr. M. Foulger; Mr. A. M. Morris; Mr. F. A. McGeorge.
- Chairman:** In the absence of the Chairman of the Council, Mr. F. A. Knight, from whom an apology was received, Councillor Mr. M. Foulger was appointed Chairman of the Meeting.
- Minutes:** The Minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on February 17th 1969 were submitted and confirmed and then signed by the Chairman.
- Account:** The following account was passed for payment:
G. Whittam, Clerk, Salary and postages: £ 16. 12. 0.
- Footbridge:** The Clerk read a letter from the Welland and Nene River Authority stating that a new footbridge would be erected over the new cut near the Fitzwilliam Arms.
- Women's Institute:** The Clerk also read a letter from the Chelveston Women's Institute thanking the Council for their assistance in getting the County Council to extend the footbridge in Water Lane.
- Planning Application:** A letter was read from the Surveyor to the Oundle & Thrapston Rural District Council inviting the Council's observations on an application for outline planning consent by Mr. J. Morris to change the use of "White House" from a private dwelling to a Guest House.
The Council had no objections to make to the proposal provided adequate parking space was provided.
- Conference:** An invitation from the County Association to send delegates to a residential conference at Knuston Hall was not accepted.
- Tidiest Village:** The Council decided to take no action on a letter from the County Association reminding the Council of the annual competition for the tidiest village.
- Annual Meeting:** It was decided to hold the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday, June 2nd 1969.
- Watercourse:** The Clerk was asked to call the attention of the Divisional Surveyor to the fact that when the watercourse was last cleaned out a lot of silt had been left on the footbridge and had been kicked back into the brook.
- Noisy Motor Cycles:** The Clerk was also asked to refer to the Police further complaints about the nuisance from noisy motor cycles being driven by youths up and down the village roads.

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held in the Baptist Chapel Schoolroom on June 2nd 1969

- Present:** Councillor Mr. F. A. Knight, (Chair)
Councillors Mr. R. C. E. Boast, Mr. A. J. Carr, Mr. P. Falce,
Mr. M. L. Foulger, Mr. R. A. McGeorge.
Mr. G. Whittam, Clerk.
- Apology:** An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mr. A. Morris.
- Appointment of Chairman:** Councillor Mr. F. A. Knight was re-elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.
- Minutes:** The Minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on March 17th 1969 were submitted and confirmed and then signed by the Chairman.
- Accounts:** The following accounts were passed for payment:
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| Norwich Union Insurance Society..... | £ | 2. | 10. | 0. |
| East Midlands Electricity Board..... | | 35. | 6. | 5. |
| County Association of Parish Councils..... | | 3. | 18. | 6. |
- Third London Airport:** The Clerk submitted a letter from the Secretary of the County Association inviting representatives of the Council to attend a meeting to be held at Oakley on June 6th in connexion with objections proposed to be made against the suggested use of Tharleigh as a site for the Third London Airport. Councillor Mr. M. L. Foulger agreed to attend the meeting.
- Rural Community Council** The Clerk also submitted a letter from the Northamptonshire Rural Community Council asking the Council for a contribution towards its funds. The Council decided not to accede to this request.
- Countryside Parks:** A letter from the County Association was read asking if the Council knew of any particular areas, of 15 acres upwards, near to the village which might be converted into pleasant parks or picnic places as envisaged by the Countryside Act, 1968. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that the Council were not aware of any such suitable area near the village.
- Annual Conference** The Council decided not to send any delegates to the Ninth Annual Conference of Parish Councillors to be held on November 6th/7th 1969.
- Quarterly Bulletin** The Clerk submitted the Quarterly Bulletin of the County Association of Parish Councils, mainly concerned with the Third London Airport, but there were no matters requiring action by the Parish Council other than being represented at the Oakley meeting.

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Wellingborough
Technical
School:

The Clerk read a letter from the Clerk of the County Council notifying the Parish Council of the proposal to enlarge the Technical Grammar School at Weaver's Road, Wellingborough to provide accommodation for a total of about 1,170 children from the ages of 11 to 18 living in parts of the urban district of Wellingborough and the surrounding areas, including Chelveston. Copies of the Notice had been posted on the Church door and in the Post Office.

Damage to
Bridge:

The Clerk was asked to write to the County Divisional Surveyor reporting damage to the bridge over the watercourse in Chelveston.

Next Meeting:

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Parish Council on September 29th at 7-30 p.m.

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- Present:** Councillor Mr. F. A. Knight (Chairman)
Councillors Mr. A. J. Carr, Mr. P. Velos;
Mr. M. Foulger; Mr. R. A. McGeorge; Mr. A. Morris.
Mr. G. Whitten (Clerk)
- Apology:** An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mr. R. S. Beast.
- Minutes:** The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on June 2nd 1969 were read and confirmed and then signed by the Chairman.
- Precept:** The Clerk was authorised to issue a precept upon the Rural District Council in the sum of £100, being the Council's estimated expenditure for the current year to end on March 31st 1970.
- Re-organisation of Highway Areas:** A letter was read from the County Surveyor informing the Council that as from June 1st 1969 the maintenance of roads and bridges in the Chelveston Parish would be the responsibility of the Surveyor for the new Area No. 2, Mr. M. Lowden whose address is N.C.C. Highways Depot, Newport Pagnell Road, Wootton, Northampton.
- The Council noted this information and asked the Clerk to write to Mr. J. G. Thompson, the former Divisional Surveyor responsible for Chelveston roads thanking him for his assistance in the past.
- Day Care for the Elderly:** A letter was read from the County Welfare Officer giving details of a new scheme under which elderly persons may receive day care and be accommodated for short periods at Old People's Homes such as Ashfield Hall at Rouns.
- Local Government:** The Clerk gave a brief report on the Lord Radcliffe Maud's proposals for the re-organisation of Local Government. The Council were of opinion that the proposals were too far reaching and too wide in extent to be locally effective and the large unitary authorities would mean administration too remote from and much more expensive for the people who have to pay, through their rates, for local government services. The Clerk was asked to add the Council's name to the list of objections being made by the County Association.

**Third London
Airport:**

The Council decided not to accede to the request of the County Association for a contribution towards the cost of objecting to the use of Thurleigh as a site for the Third London Airport.

**Annual
Meeting:**

The Council decided not to send any delegate to the Annual Meeting of the County Association to be held at Northampton on October 25th 1969 nor to the Saturday School arranged by the Rural Community Council to be held at Aynho on October 11th 1969.

**Highway
Complaints:**

The Clerk was asked to write to the Area Surveyor calling his attention to damage to bridges in Foot Lane, obstructions to the watercourse and to the two culverts in Bidwell and Water Lane and to raise the question of footpaths to Preteris Cottages and in Water Lane previously referred to Mr. Thompson; also to suggest that Mr. Lowden should visit Chelveston to discuss highway matters with the Chairman of the Council.

**Overgrowing
Hedge:**

The Clerk was also asked to call the attention of Mr. S. Ansd to an overgrowing hedge obstructing the footpath alongside his land on the main road.

Next meeting:

It was decided to hold the next meeting on the 12th of January 1970 at 7-30 p.m.