

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 21st January, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. Mr. M. L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Mrs S. A. Carr, Mr. P. S. Knight, Mr. R. A. McGeorge, Mr. A. N. Morris,  
Mr. G. Smart, Mr. N. Smith.  
District Councillors Mrs. G. Murdin, Mr. H. Binder and County Councillor  
Mr. D. Lawson.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Footpath, Sawyer's Crescent

Arising :- It was reported that this had been satisfactorily dealt with after the meeting with the Area Surveyor but since its re-instatement a lorry had run over it and repressed it. The Clerk was to write to the Area Surveyor thanking him for the previous attention to this matter and reporting the present situation.

Mobile Classroom, Higham Ferrers Infants' School

Mr Lawson notified the meeting of the latest situation regarding the removal of the above. If no further stringent cuts are made in the Education Budget the classroom should be returned for the summer term. Its retention will depend entirely on the number of children in the school at any particular term. Mr Lawson undertook to keep the meeting informed on the situation.

Current Public Transport Plan, 1980 - 1981

Correspondence :- Comments on the above were invited from Local Councils.

The Council was of the opinion that Chelveston has a large population of elderly people who rely on public transport for visits to doctors' surgeries etc. and this observation was to be put forward in reply.

Chelveston Airfield, Public Right of Way

A letter had been received from Bedfordshire County Council indicating that the bridle ways following the line of the old road which was stopped by the Air Ministry, will be opened in the spring or early summer.

Voluntary Car Service

A letter had been received from Kettering and District Community Health Council regarding the existence, if any, of a Voluntary Car Service in the village for the purposes of relaying people to hospital or clinics.

No official service exists in Chelveston but a reply was to be sent to the effect that the village works on a good neighbourly basis in the time of need,

National Pure Water Association

A letter had been received advising the Council to make its observations on the question of fluoridation of water to the District and County Councils, the Area Health Authority and Community Health Council.

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Planning Matters

2 planning applications were notified out of meeting as follows :-

1. Plan No. EN/79/1962  
Porch - 45, Water Lane

No observations were made.

2. Plan No. EN/80/14  
Addition of chimney, Duchy Close

No observations were made.

Rural Area Study

A letter had been received from the Principal Planning Officer inviting comments from local councils on the above.

There was unanimous support for the retention of a Village Envelope. A query was also raised regarding the prospects of light industry being introduced into the village. The Clerk was to reply to the Principal Planning Officer accordingly.

Review of Planning Policies and Procedure.Delegation Arrangements

A circular had been received from the Chief Executive Officer of the District Council to the effect that the Director of Technical Services will in future have delegated responsibility for non-controversial planning applications. It is important therefore that observations should meet the 14 days time limit if they are to be considered in respect of an application.

Erection of one detached bungalow, Foot Lane

A letter had been received from the Principal Planning Officer regarding the above.

Concern was expressed at what appeared to be unnecessarily stringent requirements imposed at the request of the Anglia Water Authority.

Councillor Lawson undertook to pursue the matter further.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment :-

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|----------------------------------|------|----|-----------|
| 1. E.M.E.B. Quarterly account :- | £79. | 87 |           |
| 2. P.J.Hill - Salary 3 mths.     | £18. | 75 |           |
| Expenses                         | £ 4. | 96 | · £23. 67 |
| 3. Society of Local Clerks -     |      |    | · £ 5. 50 |
| Annual Subscription              |      |    |           |
| 4. Village Hall Association      |      |    |           |
| Hire of Hall, 5 meetings @ £2,50 |      |    | · £12. 50 |
| 5. Shaw & Sons Ltd. -            |      |    |           |
| New Receipts and Payments Book   |      |    | · £11. 20 |

Precept

Consideration was given to the estimates of receipts and payments for the current and forthcoming periods, copies of which had been previously circulated, whereupon it was resolved that the estimates be approved, subject to the following amendments :-

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17-3-80

Lighting repairs	£30
Lighting maintenance	£500
Lighting improvements	£300
Clerk's salary	£100
Audit fee	£20
Free Twopence	£500

It was resolved therefore to raise a precept in the sum of £1,600.

Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting, which is to be the Annual Parish Meeting, was arranged for Monday, 17th March, 1980.

The Meeting closed at 9.55 p.m.

*Michael L. Foulger*  
 17-3-80

Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING of the Parish Council, held on Monday, March 17th, 1980, in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. M.L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Mrs S.A. Carr, Mr. P.S. Knight, Mr. G. Smart, Mr. N. Smith.  
District Councillors Mrs. G. Murdin and Mr. H. Binder.  
Mrs. P. J. Hill - Clerk  
3 members of the public.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mr. R.A. McGeorge, Mr A.N. Morris and County/District Councillor Mr. D. Lawson.

The Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 12th March, 1979, not being available at this meeting, it was resolved that they should be read at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

Chairman's Report :- The Chairman began his report for the year 1979- 80 by reporting that the year had seen the Parliamentary, District and Parish Council elections. The Parish Council members continuing to hold office are Mr Michael Foulger, Mr Ron McGeorge, Mr Noel Morris, Mrs Sheila Carr and Mr Stan Knight. New members of the Parish Council this year are Mr Gyles Smart and Mr Norman Smith.

The Council has been pleased to have again as its District Councillors Mrs Gwen Murdin and Mr Harold Binder and Mr Derek Lawson as our District and County Councillor.

There had been a change in the representative of the Parish Council on the School Managers, it now being Mr Ted Bilbow.

Highway Matters :- We invited the Area Surveyor to our meeting in November, 1979, to clarify the position regarding highway maintenance, since we felt that this had deteriorated since the departure of the Superintendent, Mr Graham Wise, in 1978.

Mr Thompson brought his new Superintendent for the area with him. The outlook, from the point of view of cutbacks in expenditure, is a gloomy one, but the result of the meeting with the Area Surveyor was prompt attention to many outstanding works in the parish.

Planning Matters :- The Duchy Close Estate is progressing well under Marriotts and completion is scheduled for the near future. However difficulty is being experienced with the Footpath Diversions (applied for in Feb. '78). The Chairman had had a meeting on-site with the Site Agent in November '79, who promised that the footpaths would be open within 4 weeks.

A nameplate for Duchy Close, applied for in 1975, appeared in December, 1979.

Other new developments have been a house on the corner of Hillside and the commencement of two bungalows in Foot Lane on the old Red Row Site.

Street Lighting. The Chairman reported that he had had a meeting with the E.M.E.B. in the summer after a winter of poor maintenance, and since this meeting the maintenance has improved.

The Chairman ended his report by thanking the Parish Councillors for their support during the year, also the District Councillors, who manage to attend most of our meetings despite their other commitments. He also thanked the Clerk.

The report was accepted by the meeting.

Michael L. Foulger  
19 May 1980  
got Mar 1981

Accounts :-

A copy of a financial statement giving details of the receipts and payments account for the financial year ending March 31st, 1979, which had been previously circulated, was presented and accepted. These accounts had been audited by the District Auditor on September 21st, 1979.

A.O.B.

1. A query was raised by a member of the public regarding the street lights in Duchy Close. Three lamps were being wired at the same time but only one is yet working. The Chairman referred to the notification from E.M.E.B of one lamp being connected in December, 1979. No further information had to date been received on this matter.

2. A query was raised by a member of the public concerning the telephone kiosk outside 'The Star and Garter', which, it would appear, is repeatedly out of order. The Chairman advised reporting it to the G.P.O. but if any difficulties occur to raise the matter again with the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

*Michael h. Faulger*  
~~19 May 1980~~  
of March 1981

CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 17th March, 1980 in the Village Hall immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting.

Present :- Cllr M.L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Mrs S.A. Carr, Mr. P.S. Knight, Mr. G. Smart,  
Mr. N. Smith.  
District Councillors Mrs. G. Murdin and Mr. H. Binder.  
3 members of the public.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mr R.A. McGeorge,  
Mr. N. Morris and District Councillor Mr D. Lawson.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on  
21st January, 1980, having been previously circulated,  
were confirmed and signed.

Matters Rural Area Study  
Arising :- A reply had been received from the Planning  
Authority noting the contents of our letter and  
indicating that further consultations will be carried  
out at a later date.

Bungalow, Foot Lane

It was reported that after further consultations  
between the neighbouring resident of the proposed  
new development and the Principal Planning Officer, the  
development had been slightly re-positioned.

Village Hall

The Secretary of the Village Hall Association  
outlined the projects on which the £500 to be raised  
in the Precept from the free two pence, is to be  
allocated.

They are namely :-

- more chairs
- internal decorations
- conversion of outbuildings into a storeroom
- cups and saucers
- new flooring
- fire alarms and equipment
- emergency lighting (a requirement of the fire officer)

Current National Footpath Heritage Year

Correspondence :- A circular had been received from the Ramblers  
Association indicating that 1980 is to be National  
Footpath Heritage Year and the week 14th - 21st June  
is to be National Footpath Heritage Week.

It was noted that this subject will be included on  
the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

United Counties Omnibus Company

A copy of a survey on the number of passengers using  
'bus routes relevant to the village had been received  
from the United Omnibus Company. From this survey it  
is apparent that very few people are using the present  
existing service and therefore it is being curtailed.

A letter had been received from ~~from~~ a resident  
who requested an alteration in the time of the  
proposed service re-scheduled, namely that the 8.03 a.m.  
service to Rushden be re-instated in favour of the  
11.33 a.m. A letter was sent to the United Counties Omnibus  
Company with this observation.

*Michael H. Foulger*  
19-May 80

Local Government Boundary Commission

The implications of the revised County Electoral Arrangements were noted, there being fewer County Councillors in the Draft Scheme, and the County Councillor representing Chelveston will represent a wider area than previously.

Kettering Community Health Council

A circular had been received on behalf of Kettering Community Health Council requesting the support of Local Councils for their continuity.

After discussion it was decided that a letter should be sent to Mr Peter Fry indicating that we are in favour of some sort of Consumer Representation to protect the interests of the Community in respect of the N.H.S.

Planning Matters :-

The following application had been notified out of meeting :-

EN/80/265

Temporary permission for two caravans, whilst bungalows are being built, Foot Lane

No observations were made, although it was noted that the caravans had been on site for almost three months prior to the application being received!

The following application was notified :-

EN/80/369

Replacement Garage, 'The Marches', Caldecott

No observations were made.

Street Lighting :-

Notification had been received of the connection of 1 lamp in Duchy Close on 31st December, 1979.

Accounts :-

The following accounts were passed for payment :-

1. Frank Eady Press - 500 A4 Letterheads · £10. 92
2. P.J.Hill - Salary 3 mths. (Jan - Mar.) £18.75  
Expenses £ 7.05 · £25. 80
3. Retirement donation, Mr D.Dunn · £2. 00  
The above is for the retirement of Mr.D.Dunn from the Northamptonshire Rural Community Association and was decided upon after discussion.

A.O.B.Post Office

Concern was expressed at the recent speculation about the closure of sub-post offices and it was thought action ought to be taken now by writing to Mr Peter Fry expressing this concern and asking him to do all he can to retain our Post Office.

Date of next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, May 19th and it will be the Annual Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

*Michael L. Taylor  
(19 May 80)*

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday May 19th, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, preceded by the reading of the MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, held on Monday, March 12th, 1979.

Present :- Cllrs. Mrs S.A. Carr, Messrs. M.L. Foulger, R.A. McGeorge, N. Morris, G. Smart, N. Smith, .  
District Councillor Mr. H. Binder.  
Mrs P.J. Hill - Clerk.  
1 member of the public.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from Cllr. P.S. Knight and District Cllr. Mrs G Murdin.

The MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, held on Monday, March 12th, 1979, were read, confirmed and signed. *MPF*

Matters arising from these minutes

It was reported that the County Surveyor's Superintendant for this area, Mr Graham Wise, had left the Authority in August, 1978, and immediately preceding his departure an extension of the footpath from Higham to Chelveston was made, almost 100 yds. in length. Nothing more has been done since.

Election of Chairman :- Cllr. Mr. M.L. Foulger was unanimously re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year.  
Cllr. Mr. R.A. McGeorge was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 17th March, 1980, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising :- Public Transport Plan, 1980/81  
It was noted that the comments submitted by the Parish Council were mentioned in the above report.  
Threatened Post Office Closures  
No action had been taken to date, pending further information.

Current Correspondence :- 1. A circular had been received from the County Surveyor, advising local councils of a reduction in maintenance and general services, e.g. road sweeping, verge-cutting, etc., due to financial restrictions.

2. An evening conference had been arranged by E.M.E.B. for Village Halls and Parish Councils. The Chairman was to attend in his capacity as ~~Chairman~~ *Secretary MPF* of the Village Hall Committee.

Street Lighting :- A letter had been received from Post Office Tele communications giving consent to the attachment of a street light bracket to Post Office pole DP 90, adjacent to the shop, subject to various conditions. An estimate for this work was to be obtained from E.M.E.B.

Planning Matters The following planning application had been notified out of meeting :-  
Plan No. EN/80/499  
Detached garage, 'Maraldo', Higham Road, Chelveston.

No observations were made on this application.

Parish Boundary

Discussion took place on the Village Boundary, and in particular concerning the long narrow extension which includes Irthlingborough Station. It was thought that this extension is superfluous to the Parish and enquiries were to be made of the District Council as to the effect it might have on the rateable value if it were to be transferred from our Parish.

*Michael H. Foulger*  
14 July 1980

National Footpath  
Heritage Year :-

This subject was discussed at great length and no conclusion was drawn as to the part the Parish Council might play in this matter. It was proposed, however, that Marriotts should be asked to open access to the footpaths at either end of the diversion on the Duchy Estate, at points E and C.

Accounts :-

The following accounts had been paid out of meeting :-

1. N.A.L.C. - 2 delegates @ £4.00 each	£8.00
Annual Conference	
2. N.A.L.C. - Clerk to attend Annual Conference	£4.00
3. Cornhill Insurance, renewal of policy	£8.25
4. S.E.M.E.B. quarterly account	£3. 76

The following accounts were passed for payment :-

1. Chairman's Allowance (1979 - 1980)	£40.00
2. N.A.L.C. - Annual Subscription	£27-00
Quarterly Bulletins	£ 1-75
Local Council Review	£ 2-00
Financial Statements	£ 0-30

£31.05

A.O.B.:-

It was reported that the Memorial to the U.S.A F. Memorial Association was to be in the form of a plaque at the Parish Church and that a special day of events was planned for September 24<sup>th</sup>. It was planned that the visitors should be entertained at Higham Ferrers and Rushden. The Parish Council was of the feeling that some effort should be made to entertain the visitors in the village.

Date of  
Next Meeting :-

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday, 14th July.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.55 p.m

*Michael h Faulger*  
14 July 1980

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held onMonday, 14th July, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. Mr. M. L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Mrs S. A. Carr, Messrs. P. S. Knight, R. A. McGeorge and N. Smith.

District Councillor Mrs G. Murdin, District/County Councillor  
Mr. D. Lawson.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mr. A. N. Morris and Mr. G. Smart and from District Cllr. Mr. H. Binder.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, May 19th, 1980, having been previously circulated, were confirmed, subject to the following amendments, and signed by the Chairman :-

1. Current Correspondence Paragraph 2 - 'Chairman of the Village Hall Committee' should read - 'Secretary of the Village Hall Committee'.
2. A.O.B. - 'a special day of events was planned for September 24th' not September 14th.

MattersArising :-Visit of 305th Bombardment Group

It was reported that the invitations for the above function had already been printed and that it was to be held at the Bede House, Higham. It had been felt that the numbers were too large to be catered for in Chelveston.

A suggestion was made that the Parish Council might present a gift to the visitors but after discussion it was decided to leave it to the Parochial Church Council as the Church was being the beneficiary.

Footpaths

On account of the diversion of the footpath, strainer wires now appeared in the middle of the footpath between Foot Lane and Duchy Close. The Chairman reported that this problem would be resolved in the near future because E.M.E.B. are erecting another pole in Foot Lane to obviate the need for these strainer wires. The existing pole which has the Foot Lane street light mounted on it, will, however, remain.

CurrentCorrespondence :-Community Health Councils

A letter had been received from Mr. Peter Fry in reply to our letter on the above subject, although it was felt that the reply did not really answer the question which the Parish Council had raised. Our concern had been that some form of representation should be retained whereas Mr Fry's letter concerned the reorganisation of the existing Community Health Councils themselves.

United Counties Omnibus Company

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor concerning a revision of existing 'bus services in the County as from September 1st. Enclosed information indicated that there was no proposed service for the village at all as from this date. A questionnaire was included for local councils in this position to indicate whether they are willing to accept the situation or are interested in forming a self-help scheme, for example a Community mini-bus or car sharing scheme.

*Michael L Foulger*  
8th September 1980

Much concern was expressed at this situation and a letter was to be sent to the County Surveyor indicating that it was felt that a service of some kind to the village should be retained, albeit a limited one, to allow old people especially to visit doctors' surgeries etc.

Representative on School Managing Bodies.

A letter had been received from the Education Authority inviting a nomination to the managing bodies of the Higham Ferrers Infants' and Junior Schools following the resignation of Mr. E. Bibow, who was emigrating with his family.

It was reported that Mr. S. G. Hughes of Middle Farm, Chelveston, had consented to nomination for this post and it was proposed that his name should be forwarded to the Education Office as the new representative of the village.

Street Lighting :- 1. Proposed lamp adjacent to Village Store

A quotation for the above had been received from E.M.E.B. as follows :-

- a) to supply and install lantern, mounted with bracket, to telegraph pole DP90, £78. 00
- b) to connect electricity to this lamp by fixing a cable to the walls of 'The Cottage' to this pole, £32. 00

These estimates were approved and the Chairman was to see the owner of 'The Cottage' to ask his permission and approval of this scheme.

2. Proposed lamp, Sawyer's Crescent

- a) two quotations were given for the above lamp, one utilising a steel column @ £135. 00, the other utilising an aluminium one, @ £128. 00.

The Chairman reported that he had recently spoken to Mr. Varlow, who doesn't recommend the aluminium column.

The first quotation, i.e. with steel column, was approved.

- b) to connect electricity supply to this lamp - £61. 00

Total £196. 00

Lamp outside 'Rivendell'

- a) to convert this lamp to photo cell arrangement £11. 00

The above would be charged at a current rate of 48p per year on a rental basis. This quotation was approved.

Street Lighting, Duchy Close

Marriotts had reported that these lights should be working in the very near future.

Street Lighting Maintenance

It was reported that the lamp opposite 'Meadowcroft', Raunds Road, was still not functioning and that the fault had first been reported to E.M.E.B. on 8th June.

After discussion and in the light of recent dissatisfaction

*Michael J. Taylor*  
8th Sept 1980

with the standard of maintenance received, it was decided to write to E.M.E.B. requesting to be transferred from Maintenance 'B', which should include weekly winter patrols and fortnightly summer ones, to Maintenance 'C', whereby the Parish Council is responsible for reporting any faults or non-functioning of lamps, to be effective as from July 1st.

The question of the lamp outside 'The Star and Garter' was also to be raised again with the electricity board as this had not yet been attended to.

Accounts :- The following accounts were passed for payment :-

1. E.M.E.B. - quarterly account	£97	30
2. Dept. of the Environment - audit fee	£14	95
3. P.J.Hill - Salary April, May June -	£25	00
Expenses -	£4	56
	£29	56

A cheque had been received to the value of £17 16, which was a V.A.T. refund.

Calendar of Meetings :- After discussion it was resolved that future Parish Council meetings should be held on the 2nd Monday of the following months :-

January, March, May, July, September and November.

- A.O.B.
1. Cycling on footpaths, Duchy Close Estate  
Reports of children using the footpaths on the Duchy Close Estate as 'cycle race tracks' had been received. It was decided to write to the County Highway Department asking if a 'No Cycling' notice might be erected at the Foot Lane and Hillside ends of the estate.
  2. Rubbish Dumping and Vermin, Shanley Building Site, Raunds Road.  
It was reported that rubbish is being dumped at the above location which is attracting vermin. The help of the District Council was to be sought in order to ascertain the present owner of the land.

Date of Next Meeting :- The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, 8th September.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

*Michael H. Fowler*  
8th Sept 1980

CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 8th September, 1980, in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Present :- Cllr. Mr. M. L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Messrs. P. S. Knight, R. A. McGeorge, G. Smart.  
Mrs P. J. Hill - Clerk.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from County/District Councillor Mr. D. Lawson, District Councillors Mrs G. Murdin, Mr. H. Binder and Cllrs. Mrs S. A. Carr, Mr A. N. Morris and Mr. N. Smith.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday, 14th July, 1980, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters 1. Footpaths, Duchy Close

Arising :-

a). A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor in reply to the Council's request for a 'No Cycling' Order at each end of the Duchy Close estate. The Council's letter had been passed to the Traffic and Safety Group at Northampton House who would keep the Council advised on the matter.

b). It <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ reported that Marriotts Ltd. had now erected a stile at each end of the fence separating the estate from the field.

c). It was thought that a gate should be erected at the entrance to the footpath on the A45 and a letter was to be written to the County Council with this request after the footpath number had been ascertained.

2. Buses :-

Correspondence had been received from the Northamptonshire Public Transport Co-ordination Group regarding a bus service to and from the village. A service was to be provided by M & S Travel, in the form of a minibus, to commence on September 1st as follows :-

Wednesdays and Fridays - Chelveston to Rushden

Fridays - Chelveston to Raunds. This service to be provided by Keyston Coaches.

Current Tree Planting :-

Correspondence :- In reply to a letter from the County Planning Officer 7 trees were requested to replace 6 that had died and one that had been vandalised.

Local Government Boundary Commission :-

Chelveston is not affected by the modifications made in this report.

Post Office Telephone Kiosk :-

A letter had been received from the Head Postmaster advertising the need for a cleaner for the kiosk in the village, at a rate of 45p per week. A copy of the letter was to be displayed on the notice - board.

*Michael L Foulger*

10-11-80

N.A.L.C. Notice was received of the A.G.M. to be held on Saturday, 18th December.

Planning Matters :-

The following planning application had been notified out of meeting:-

Plan no. EN/80/1047

Erect 4 terraced houses and 4 terraced garages at rear of Middle Farm, Raunds Road.

The Parish Council strongly opposed this application on several grounds, one being that terraced houses are not suitable to this situation and another being that the application is for part of the land which the Council was given to understand would be returned to agriculture.

Street Lighting :-

It was agreed that the quotations received from the Electricity Board in June 1980 should be accepted, with the exception of 'The Cottage', as the necessary arrangements had not yet been made with the occupiers of this property.

Mention was also made of the catenary wire which had not yet been raised above the paddock adjacent to the Village Hall, a request which had first been made in May, 1974.

Details of the new rate for Maintenance Standard 'C' were also to be ascertained and the overall saving on Maintenance Standard 'B'.

Accounts :-

The following account had been paid out of meeting :-

E.M.E.B. - fitting new Eleco lantern with vandal-proof bowl and photo cell control - £31. 97

The following account was passed for payment :-

P.J.Hill - Salary 3 mths. £25. 00  
Expenses £4. 56 £29. 56

A.O.B. Culverts, Water Lane

The recent floods had drawn attention to the fact that all the culverts in Water Lane were in urgent need of cleansing. A letter received from the Anglia Water Authority in December, 1978, on the subject of maintenance of the culverts indicated that it is the responsibility of the riparian owners. However, in the light of a recent planning application in October 1979, when a proposed property had to be re-positioned in order to provide a maintenance strip to the water course as required by the Water Authority, a letter was to be sent to the Authority to ascertain the current situation on the matter.

Parking on grass verges, Rushden and District Golf Club :-

Concern was expressed at the hazards caused by the lack of adequate parking facilities at the above premises. A letter was to be sent to the Secretary of the Club expressing the Council's concern on this matter.

Plot 33, Duchy Close :-

The corner bungalow plot (plot 33), on the Duchy Close Estate was reported to be causing a nuisance as children playing on the mounds of earth are pulling them down onto the footpath. A letter was to be sent to Marriotts pointing this out, with a copy to the Planning Authority of the District Council.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

*Michael Faulkner*

10-11-80

CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 10th November, 1980, in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Present :- Cllr. M.L. Foulger - Chairman  
Cllrs. Mrs S.A. Carr, Messrs. P.S. Knight, R.A. McGeorge, A.N. Morris,  
G. Smart.  
District Cllr. Mrs G. Murdin.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from County/District Cllr.  
Mr. D. Lawson and District Cllr. Mr. H. Binder.

Minutes :- The minutes of the previous meeting, having been previously  
circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising :- 1. Cycling on footpaths, Duchy Estate :-

Further to our letter to the Area Surveyor regarding the above a letter had been received from the County Surveyor in which he indicated that 'No Cycling' Orders are only introduced on footpaths which are completely separated from roads and where there is a real hazard to pedestrians from the unreasonable use of footpaths by cyclists.

A letter was to be sent to the County Surveyor in reply, indicating that the footpaths concerned are all separated from roads and referring to recent incidents where pedestrians had narrowly missed an accident from cyclists.

2. Footpath, A45 :-

This matter was further discussed and a request was subsequently to be made to the County Council to open the gate on the A45 as the other end of the footpath MM5 is now opened, after being in dis-use for a number of years, and the whole length of the footpath can be used again.

3. Erection of 4 terraced houses, rear of Middle Farm :-

A letter was received from the Planning Authority indicating that the above application had been refused by the Planning Committee.

4. Culverts, Water Lane :-

It was reported that these had recently been cleaned, but that the dredgings had been placed at the sides of the road. It was felt that this did not answer the problem, since previous experience had shown that heavy rainfall would wash the dredgings straight back into the brook.

The matter was to be reported to the Area Surveyor, special reference being made to the three areas needing attention, a) Bidwell Ford, b) Foot Lane Jetty Bridge and c) Water Lane by Knights Farm.

5. Golf Club :-

As no reply had been received to date a further letter was to be sent to the Secretary of Rushden and District Golf Club, re-iterating the points made previously.

6. Plot 33, Duchy Glouse :-

A letter had been received on behalf of Marriotts Ltd., indicating that a planning application had been notified for the above plot.

Current Correspondence :-1. Parish Boundary :-

A letter had been received from the District Council in reply to our query re the finger of land containing Irthlingborough Station. The rateable hereditaments within the strip have a total value of £683 but it was noted that the E.N.D.C minutes of 23rd September indicate that the Chowm's Mill area should be transferred to Higham Ferrers.

2. Community Health Council :-

A letter had been received from Kettering and District Community Health Council asking for the Parish Council's support in the matter of the retention of two separate District Health Authorities based on the two hospitals at Kettering and Northampton, as opposed to there being one Council to serve the whole of the district. Letters were to be sent to all the bodies concerned as requested by the Community Health Council.

Planning Matters :- Two planning applications had been notified out of meeting :-1. Plan no. EN/80/1454

Erection of single storey dwelling, plot at Duchy Close

2. Plan no. EN/80/1439

Garage and porch, St. George's Row

No observations had been made regarding these applications.

The following application was notified at the meeting :-

Plan no: EN/80/1523

Agricultural Building, Hall Farm

No observations were made regarding this application.

Street Lighting :- Cable to 'The Cottage'

E.M.E.B. was to send a Wayleave Form in connection with the above for the occupier to register his assent to the proposed cable box to be attached to the wall of his property. An explanatory letter was to be sent to the occupier with the Wayleave Form indicating exactly what is proposed and how it would affect him.

Photo - cell, 'Rivendell', Foot Lane

It was reported that the above had been fitted and a bill for the same received. However it appeared that the lamp was not working and had been reported as such to E.M.E.B. and therefore payment of the bill was being withheld temporarily.

Lamp, Sawyer's Crescent

It was noted that the new lamp was now working.

Catenary Wire

E.M.E.B. had indicated that this would be attended to.

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Accounts:-

The following account was passed for payment :-

R.A.Farey - Poppy Wreath £4. 30

Chairs for Village Hall :-

Reference was made to the proposed contribution of £500. 00 to the Village Hall Association and it was noted that 80 chairs were to be acquired at a cost of £3. 00 each. The meeting resolved that a payment of £240. 00 should now be made to the Village Hall Association under the provision of Section 137 of the Local Government Act, 1972, it being in the interest of the Village to do this.

A.O.B. There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m., the date of the next meeting having been ascertained as the 12th January, 1981.

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12/1/81