

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 14th January, 1985, at 7.30.p.m. in the Village Hall

Present :- Cllr. Mr M.L.Foulger - Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs S.A.Carr, Mrs P.Hughes, Mr A.N.Morris and Mrs S.Smyth.

Apologies for Apologies were received from Cllr. Mr R.A.McGeorge and from District Councillors Mrs G.Murkin, Mr H.Binder and County/District

Absence :- Cllr. Mr D.Lawson.
Cllr. Mr G.Smart had sent his apologies and indicated that he would join the meeting later.

Minutes of Previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 12th November, 1984, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising from Minutes :-
1. Gypsy Site :-
It was noted that a decision was being awaited from the County Council in this matter.

2. Street Lighting Insurance :-
It was decided to take no action at the present time on Street Lighting Insurance .

3. Personal Accident Cover :-
The Clerk reported that a revised payment had been made out of meeting for Personal Accident Cover to take effect as from 1st December, 1984, i.e. for half a year, being in the sum of £1.80 instead of £3.60.

4. School Transport :-
A letter had been received from the County Education Officer together with a copy of the instructions which had been issued to all drivers concerned with the Chelveston route immediately prior to the receipt of the Parish Council's letter suggesting pick up and setting down points. The contents of the Parish Council's letter had been noted and the recommendations contained therein had been forwarded to the operator for consideration.

A letter had also been received from Cllr. Lawson, together with a copy of a letter he had received from the County Education Officer on the same.

It was noted that an improvement had been shown since the correspondence had been received.

5. Bracket Lamp, Raunds Road :-
It was noted that this had been connected at the end of December.

6. Missing Chevron Sign, A45 :-
A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor indicating that a large number of such signs had been removed throughout the area and any information regarding the same would be welcomed.

7. Missing "Water Lane" sign :-
A letter had been received from East Northants. District Council indicating that the name plate at the above location would be replaced as soon as possible.

8. Number 2, Foot Lane :-
The Clerk reported that the aspect of the frontage of a property is the concern of the owners and unless a public nuisance were being incurred nothing can be done to make the owners tidy it up.

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Cllr. M.L. Foulger

The District Council was keeping the boundary wall of the property under observation

Current

1. Revised Boundary, Chelveston Parish :-

Correspondence :- A copy of the above had been received from the District Council showing the revised boundary.

2. Public Transport Plan. 85/86 :-

A copy of the above had been received. The Chairman drew the attention of Councillors to the paragraph inviting Councils to comment constructively on present services.

Councillors were also reminded that the present Public Transport Liaison Officer is Mrs C. Mackett.

Planning

Matters :-

1. A605 Migham Ferrers to Thrapston Road

Details of the proposed A605 Migham Ferrers to Thrapston new road were received and Local Councils were asked to support in writing the County Council's proposals for the route.

After discussion it was agreed to write to the County Surveyor indicating that the Parish Council supports the route from Migham Ferrers to Thrapston in principle.

2. Plan No. RAS/TIC/EN/76/6111

A communication had been received from the Director of Technical Services concerning a proposed dwelling with ancillary workshops/storage buildings at Raunds Road, Chelveston.

After discussion on the proposed plans a vote was taken on whether a dwelling should be permitted on the proposed site, as it is well outside the Village Envelope. Councillors present voted 3 - 2 in favour of a dwelling on the site.

However, there was unanimous feeling that the house shown on the submitted plan was too large for the area designated and furthermore was not in keeping with its surroundings, or situation. A dormer house might, it was felt, be more appropriate.

Finally it was felt that the property should have its own access.

Councillors were in favour of there being workshops at the site but this is added reason for there being an individual access.

These comments were to be forwarded to the Director of Technical Services.

Street

Lighting :-

New Lights, Frontage of 'The Firs', Raunds Road

The Chairman reported that he had received a 'phone call from E.M.E.B. concerning the above. The columns of the lamps had not been bitumen coated and the wiring was still not quite correct. E.M.E.B. recommended that the columns should be bitumen coated and a letter was to be sent by them to Watson and Cox about this matter.

Accounts :-

The following accounts were paid out of meeting :-

1. Cornhill Insurance	Personal Accident Cover	£1.80
2. E.M.E.B.	- for connecting supply to bracket, Raunds Road	
		£26.75

The following accounts were passed for payment :-

1. E.M.E.B. - for connecting bracket to telegraph pole,
Raunds Road £34.50

2. E.M.E.B. - quarterly account

£163.73
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3. Society of Local Council Clerks -	£8.00
4. P.J. Mill - Salary 3 months -	£37.50
Expenses -	£6.50
	£44.00
5. Chelveston Village Hall -	£26.40

Cllr. Mr G. Smart joined the meeting at this point.

Precept :-

The estimates of receipts and payments for the financial years ending 31st March 1985 and 1986, having been previously circulated, were discussed. It was proposed by Cllr. Mr G. Smart and seconded by Cllr. Mr. A. N. Morris that the estimates should be adopted without amendment and that a precept in the sum of £1,380 be raised.

A.O.B. :-

Frontage, Dunmore's, High Street :-

A letter was to be sent to the Director of Technical Services concerning the frontage of the above property. Complaints had been received about rubbish burning in an oil drum only yards from the highway. Also delivery vehicles had been frequently blocking the footpath at the junction of High Street and causing a traffic hazard in the centre of the Village.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m. after it was ascertained that the date of the next meeting, the Annual Meeting, is scheduled for March 11th, 1985.

Michael H. Faulley
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CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, held on Monday, 11th March, 1985, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. Mr M.L.Foulger - Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs S.A.Carr, Mrs P.Hughes, Mr R.A.McGeorge, Mr G.Smart and Mrs S.Smyth.

District Cllrs Mrs G.Murdin and Mr H.Binder.

Clerk - Mrs P.J.Hill

Apologies for Absence :- Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Mr A.N.Morris and from District/County Cllr. Mr D.Lawson.

Matters Arising from Minutes :- Visit of P.C.Ablett :-
Apologies had been received after the meeting from P.C.Ablett concerning the proposed distribution of leaflets in the Village about the need to report vandalism. It had not been feasible for this to be undertaken.

Vandalism :-

It was noted that the situation regarding vandalism in the Village remained about the same, although fewer complaints had been received.

Chairman's Report :-1. Policing :-

The Chairman reported that secondment to other areas on account of the pit strike had meant a reduction of police service locally, compared with previous years.

2. School 'Bus :-

This had caused a lot of problems during the Autumn Term, 1984, but appeared, at the present time to have been satisfactorily resolved.

3. Proposed Gypsy Site :-

A proposal by E.N.D.C. to provide accommodation permanently for up to 20 gypsy caravans on the ex-hospital site, opposite the R.A.F. base, caused great consternation and was fiercely opposed by the Parish Council.

It was later learned that the County Council had considered the site as unsuitable and too expensive to develop.

An application for a private gypsy site for 8 caravans at Station Road, Irthlingborough, had more recently been received. The Parish Council had made formal objections to this but understood that it would probably proceed.

4. Dogs Fouling Footpaths :-

This continues to be a nuisance.

5. Vehicles Leaving the A45 :-

Vehicles continue to leave the road on the A45 and endeavours are made to note each accident in an effort to get the road improved.

6. Street Lighting :-

A new column light had been installed on the A45 hill in 1984 and an additional bracket lamp on the Raunds Road. The three lamps now operating on "The Firs" estate bring the total of lamps to thirty four.

The Chairman concluded his report by thanking District Councillors and the County Councillor for attending meetings whenever possible and for the work they had done on behalf of the Parish Council. He thanked fellow Councillors for their support and also the Clerk.

Accounts :- A copy of a financial statement giving details of the receipts and payments for the financial years ending 31st March, 1984, which had been audited by the Assistant District Auditor, was presented and accepted by the Meeting.

A.O.B. There being no other business, the Meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

Michael Faulkner
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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, March 11th, 1985, immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting :-

Present :- Cllr. Mr M.L.Foulger - Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs S.A.Carr, Mrs P.Hughes, Mr R.A.McGeorge, Mr G.Smart and Mrs S.Smyth.

District Cllrs Mrs G.Murdin and Mr H.Binder.

Clerk - Mrs P.J.Hill

Apologies for Absence :- Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Mr A.N.Morris and Cty./ District Cllr. Mr D.Lawson.

Minutes of previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 14th January, 1985, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Extraordinary Meeting :- The contents of the letter sent to the Director of Technical Services, which constituted the business of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday, 27th February, 1985, were read by the Chairman.

Matters Arising from Ordinary Meeting :-
1. Proposed Gypsy Caravan Site, ex-hospital site :-
A letter had been received from the County Secretary indicating that the proposed position for a permanent gypsy caravan site at the above location, had been considered unsuitable and too expensive to develop.

2. Missing Chevron Sign :-
It was noted that this had been replaced.

3. Dunmore's Premises :-
Two letters had been received concerning the above :-

1. from the Health and Housing Officer, E.N.D.C.

2. from the Director of Technical Services.

Both letters indicated that the complaints received from the Parish Council were being dealt with in the appropriate manner.

Current Correspondence :-
1. E.M.E.B.
Notification had been received of a proposed increase in maintenance charges as from 1st April, 1985.

2. Commemoration Service :-
A letter had been received from Higham Ferrers Town Council inviting the views of the Parish Council on holding a joint service to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the end of World War II. The matter was discussed and it was felt, the R.A.F. base being in Chelveston, it would be more appropriate for Chelveston to hold its own service in the Parish Church.

The Chairman was to contact Father Roger about the same and Higham Ferrers Town Council was to be informed of this decision.

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Anglian Water Authority - Cleansing Programme :-

Details had been received of treatment to cleanse the water mains throughout the parish. A notice was to be displayed on the Parish Notice Board.

Street Lighting :-

It was reported that two letters had been sent out of meeting :-

1. to E.M.E.B. - listing a series of six lights which were currently on 24 hours a day, and also informing the authority of the non - functioning of the lamp at the junction of Bidwell and Caldecott Road
2. to Watson and Cox indicating the dissatisfaction of the Parish Council in the failure of the Company to date to bring the new lamps at the development on Raunds Road up to the standard required by the County Council. Watson and Cox were respectfully asked to attend to this matter as soon as possible and to inform the Parish Council of the completion of the work.

Accounts :-Interest, Deposit Account :-

The Clerk reported that a bank statement had been received showing interest of £29. 20.

The following accounts were passed for payment :-

1. P.J.Hill	Salary - 3 months -	£37.50	
	Expenses	£ 1.59	£39. 09

2. Village Hall Association

Hire of Hall	£ 6.60
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3. M.L.Foulger - Chairman's Allowance

£60.00

Clerk's Salary

Notice had been received from the National Association of Local Councils, in conjunction with the Society of Local Council Clerks of recommendations for Clerks as from 1st July, 1984. The recommendation for part-time clerks is 50% of the penny rate product or the population, whichever is the less. This was to be discussed at the next meeting.

A.O.B.

A list of complaints concerning highway matters, to be brought to the attention of the Area Surveyor, were as follows :-

1. Junction of High Street and A45 - a large puddle collecting under the 'Give Way Sign'
2. The white lines worn away, the junction of the A45 and High Street.
3. Forecourt of the "Star and Garter" - breaking up badly.
4. Foot Lane, outside the Working Men's Club - a large puddle stretches almost across the lane in wet weather, near the cellar doors.
5. A45 footpath, near J.S.T. Forklifts - the footpath beginning to break up, from the middle of the frontage of "Maraldo" up the hill.
6. Water Lane Ford - Water Lane frequently floods as the pipes under the road here are smaller in diameter than the ones upstream at Bidwell.
7. Potholes in Water Lane, between the A45 and the ford.

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8. Loose granite chippings along the length of Water Lane.
9. Raunds Road - the road edge, recently attended to, is breaking up, just above Pretoria Cottages.
10. Raunds Road - nearly all the water offlets in the grass verge are silted up and overgrown. A further problem here is that the macadam in many places is higher at the edges and water does not drain off the road.
11. Raunds Road, outside the new houses - erosion and poor drainage are causing problems here. A copy of a letter to the District Council about this matter was to be sent to the Area Surveyor for information.

It was noted that a reply had not been received from the District Council concerning the above and this was to be pointed out in the letter, indicating the worsening conditions now prevailing as a result of no action being taken on this matter.

Missing Footpath sign - Water Lane :-

It was noted that no reply had been received from the County Surveyor concerning the missing "Public Footpath" sign, adjacent to the footbridge, Water Lane. This had been reported on 19th July, 1984 and a reminder was to be sent to the County Surveyor.

Diamond Anniversary :-

It was noted that the Parish Council had acknowledged the Diamond Wedding Anniversary of a Village couple, Mr and Mrs Chapman, and had sent a gift to mark the occasion.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.30 p.m., after its being ascertained that the date of the next meeting, it being the Annual Meeting, is scheduled for Monday, 13th May.

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CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ANNUAL MEETING of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 13th May, 1985, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllrs. Mr. M. L. Foulger, Mrs P. Hughes, Mr. R. A. McGeorge and Mrs P. Hughes.

District Cllrs. Mrs G. Murdin and Mr H. Binder.

Mr. S. Hughes - representative of the Parish Council on the Governing Bodies of the Higham Ferrers Primary Schools.

Apologies for Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs S. A. Carr, Mr A. N. Morris and County/District Cllr. Mr D. Lawson.

Absence :-

Election of Nominations were invited for the position of Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 1985/6

Chairman :- Cllr. Mr M. L. Foulger was nominated and seconded. There being no other nominations for this position, Mr Foulger was unanimously elected to serve as Chairman for the coming year.

Election of Nominations were invited for the position of Vice - Chairman for the coming year.

Vice - Chairman :- Cllr. Mr G. Smart was nominated and seconded and there being no other nominations, Mr Smart was elected for this position.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, March 11th, 1985, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising from Minutes :-

1. Commemoration Service :-

It was reported that the Vicar, Canon Davidson, had decided to hold a service in Chelveston at 9.00 a.m. and had informed the Town Clerk of Higham Ferrers personally that a Civic Service would be held in Higham Ferrers at the later time of 10.00 a.m.

2. Street Lighting :-

It was noted that the list of faults throughout the Village that had been reported to E.M.E.B had been acknowledged by lester and had been attended to since the previous meeting.

3. Watson and Cox Development, Street Lighting :-

The Parish Council had notified Watson and Cox that the work to the columns of the lighting at this development was not acceptable and requested that remedial action be taken as quickly as possible.

A reply had been received from Watson and Cox that the necessary work had been completed.

4. Highway Complaints -

A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor in reply to the above.

It was agreed that although the areas in need of repair had been acknowledged, the situation needed to be monitored while work was in progress in the Village.

It was noted with satisfaction by everyone present that the repair to the footpath from "Maraldo" to the new lamp on the A45 had been well done.

5. Frontage, Raunds Road :-

A letter had been received from the Director of Technical Services concerning the above. Mr Seery indicated that he would be arranging a site meeting with the County Surveyor and the architects at the above location and that he would inform the Parish Council of the date and time of the meeting.

It was agreed that as many Parish Councillors as possible would attend this meeting after being notified of the date and time.

Current Correspondence :-

1. Spring Conference :-

The Chairman was to attend the Conference on Saturday, May 18th.

2. Rushden and Higham Ferrers A45 Bypass Classified Road. Side Road Order, 1983

Notice had been received that a Public Inquiry relating to the above was scheduled for 2nd, 3rd and 4th July, 1985

3. Postal Numbering :-

Notice was received that the site of the former Baptist Chapel was to be known as 1, Higham Road.

4. East Northants. Official Guide

A letter had been received from the District Council, together with the official entry for Chelveston for the previous year. Updated information was requested for inclusion in the current edition of the guide, now being prepared.

The District Council was to be informed that the Baptist Chapel is no longer in existence.

Accounts :-

The following account had been passed for payment out of meeting

E.M.E.B. - quarterly account - £169 32

Precept :-

The Clerk reported that the precept, in the sum of £1,380 00 had been paid into the Council's account.

N.A.L.C.

It was decided to amend the number of bulletins required from seven to six (the Clerk receiving a free copy and there always being a surplus one) and an account in the sum of £45 15 was passed for payment, being the annual subscription fee and order for six copies of bulletins quarterly.

Clerk's Salary :-

It was reported that the recommendations for a part-time Clerk's Salary is 50% of the penny rate or the same proportion of the current population, whichever is the less.

It was resolved therefore that the Clerk's salary should be raised to £165 00 as from 1st July, 1985

Spring Conference :-

The following account was passed for payment :-

N.A.L.C. - one delegate to attend Spring Conference -

£4 00.

A.O.B.

1. Community Task Force :-

The Chairman reported that any projects needing attention in the Village need to be put on the waiting list for inclusion under the above scheme.

Suggested projects were :-

1. Cleaning out the brook
2. Repair of the seat

Councillors were asked to think of any other projects in need of attention and to submit them to the Chairman to be drawn up into a final list.

It was noted that in each case the Council provides the materials and the Community Task Force provides the labour.

Report by Mr S. Hughes :-

Mr S Hughes, the representative of the Parish Council on the governing bodies of the Higham Ferrers Primary Schools, was invited to give his report.

Changes in the representation on the governing bodies of schools means that in future only one representative instead of three will be allowed to be nominated by the Local Authority (in this case Higham Ferrers Town Council). Three representatives will be from the community, and other representation will be made up of three parents and three staff, the latter being able to include non teaching staff.

Working Men's Club.

Concern was expressed for the increasing state of dereliction of the Working Men's Club in Foot Lane.

The Clerk was to make enquiries to try to ascertain the ownership of the same.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55. p.m. after it being ascertained that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 8th July, 1985.

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CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 8th July, 1985 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. Mr G. Smart - Vice-Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs S.A. Carr, Mrs P. Hughes Mr R.A. McGeorge. Mr A.N. Morris and Mrs S. Smyth.

District Cllr. Mrs G. Mordin

Clerk - Mrs P.J. Hill

Apologies for Absence :- Apologies were received from the Chairman, Cllr. Mr M.L. Foulger, from County/District Cllr. Mr D. Lawson and from District Cllr. Mr H. Binder.

Minutes of Previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 13th May, 1985, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by Cllr. Smart.

Visit of Community Policeman :- P.C. Elliott-Binns was present at the beginning of the meeting to report on the two problems being experienced in the Village at the present time.

1. Road Surface, frontage of the new development, Raunds Road :-

P.C. Elliott-Binns reported that he had contacted the Area Surveyor's department about the continuing deterioration of the road surface at this location and the Area Surveyor had agreed that the hole, now being about 6 to 7" deep was indeed dangerous and that his department, together with the developers, was aiming to put kerbing and drainage there. The kerb stones were ready but there was no indication as to when the work might be done.

2. Rowdyism at the junction of Water Lane/Foot Lane :-

The second problem, that of groups of youths causing a nuisance at the rear of Mr Piercy's garden, was continuing to be monitored. P.C. Elliott-Binns reported that the police have no powers to move these youths on but that if any offence is committed a prosecution will follow.

It was generally felt that the problem is not so bad as it was although the entrance to the jetty is sometimes obstructed by motorbikes.

There being nothing else to report or discuss, P.C. Elliott-Binns left the meeting at this point and the business of the meeting continued as follows :-

Matters Arising from Minutes :-

1. Frontage, new development, Raunds Road :-

The Chairman, Cllr. Foulger, had sent a report to the meeting indicating that he had contacted the Director of Technical Services about the proposed meeting at the site. Mr Seery had indicated that he was meeting the County Surveyor on the 21st June and was expecting to call the site meeting shortly afterwards but nothing else had been heard to date.

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2. Community Task Force Projects :-

This was discussed and the following two projects were suggested as possible tasks for this scheme :-

a) Pipes, Dyke outside "East View" :-

As problems were frequently encountered here with flooding, it was felt that it would be a good plan to have the open dyke in the verge piped at this point if this could be included in the Community Task Force Scheme.

b) Footpath, junction Bidwell Lane to Water Lane, A45 :-

Enquiries were to be made as to whether this project could be accepted under the scheme as people taking a circular walk were forced to walk on the main road between these points.

3. Working Mens' Club :-

It was reported that this matter was now in the hands of a liquidator, the furniture having been removed and it was decided to wait and see what would happen in the near future.

Street Lighting :-

It was noted that the vandalised bracket lamp between Britten Close and "Meadowcroft" had been reported to E.M.E.B.

The lamp with the vandalised cover outside Pretoria Cottages and the two lamps which are on all day outside 19, Hillside and "The Woodlands" had all been reported to E.M.E.B.

Accounts :-

It was noted that the following account had been paid out of meeting :-

Cornhill Insurance - renewal of policy £20 00

The Clerk reported that the accounts for the period ending March 31st, 1985, had been audited by the Assistant District Auditor and that a notice of completion of audit had been displayed.

The following accounts were passed for payment -

1. Audit Commission for England and Wales - Audit fee
£35 71

2. P.J. Hill - Salary 3 months £37 50
Expenses £ 6 10 £43 60

The Clerk also reported that bank charges are being made on the Parish Council's current account. A letter was to be sent to the bank asking why this is so.

A.O.B. :-1. Highway Complaints :-

The following repairs requiring attention were to be reported to the Area Surveyor :-

1. the road surface at the Ford, Water Lane

2. the large pothole round the sewer manhole, Water Lane opposite the second footbridge

3. the large pothole at the bottom of Hillside

4. the loose granite in Water Lane

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2. Water Pipe Bursts :-

Concern was expressed at yet another water burst in the Village causing a nuisance both to the elderly and to people out at work who were not aware of there being no water.

A letter was to be sent to Anglia Water Authority suggesting that, with the frequency of water bursts along the length of pipe between the Newton side of Chelveston to Raunds might it not be better to renew the whole length of the pipe between these two points instead of continually patching the same.

3. Pokas Cottages :-

Councillor Mrs Murdin reported that the owner of two of Pokas Cottages had been served with a notice of their not being up to standard for dwellings. The tenants were to be re-housed whilst the owner was to submit plans for their being made into a habitable state.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m., after its being ascertained that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 9th.

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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, September 9th, 1985 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

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

Apologies for Apologies were received from Cllr. Mr A.N.Morris, County/District Cllr. Mr D.Lawson and District Cllrs. Mrs G.Murdin and Mr H.Binder.

Absence :-

Minutes of previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 8th July, 1985, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed.

Matters Arising from Minutes :- 1. Frontage, new development, Raunds Road :-

The Chairman reported that he had made repeated phone calls to both the Area Surveyor and the District Council without any action having been taken over the matter of the dangerous state of the road.

The Clerk reported that a message had been received via the District Council from the County Surveyor who was currently on holiday. It appeared that Watson and Cox were to be kerbing the frontage with kerbstones provided by the County Council. There had been no kerbstones at the Rushden depot and Watson and Cox had not been willing to fetch the same from Brixworth. However, at the date of the meeting the necessary kerbing had been transferred to Rushden and therefore the work should be done at any time.

2. Community Task Force Projects.-

a). Footpath on highway :-

It was reported that this cannot be carried out under this scheme since anything that the County Council would normally be responsible for cannot be done by anyone else, despite there being no funds available from the County for this work!

b). Ditch in front of East View :-

Further enquiries were to be made concerning the above. If the ditch belongs to the owner of the property then it may be included in the programme but if it belongs to the County Highways Dept. then the same principle applies as above.

3. Accounts :-

A letter had been received from National Westminster Bank apologising for the errors made in the banking arrangements and indicating that the bank charges which had been previously levied had been refunded to the Parish Council's current account.

4. Highway Complaints :-

A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor in reply to the above. Note had been taken of the complaints and included in the forthcoming inspection and repair programme.

5. Water Pipe Bursts :-

A letter had been received from the Anglian Water Authority in reply to a letter concerning the frequency of water pipe bursts in the Village and indicating that the sections which are in a poor condition are to be renewed when funds are available.

6. Pokas Cottages :-

Further to the report given by Cllr. Mrs Murdin at the previous

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meeting reference was made to the above in the September Minutes of the District Council. Reports on the same were as follows :-

Number 3. The owner had given a formal undertaking that he would render the property fit for human habitation within a period of six months.

Number 2. The owner had given a formal undertaking that he would carry out the necessary work to render the property fit for human habitation within a period of six months.

Number 5. The owner had given formal undertaking that the necessary work to render the ground floor fit for human habitation would be carried out within a period of nine months and it was also reported that a Closing Order was to be made on the first floor of the dwelling.

Current Correspondence

Tourism

A questionnaire had been received from the District Council concerning the above but it was decided that nothing was applicable.

N.A.L.C - A.G.P.M.

Details of the above to be held on Saturday 19th October, were received.

Planning Matters :-

The following application had been notified out of meeting :-

Plan No. EN/85/1129
Unmanned communications building and replacement aerial,
R.A.F. Chelveston

No observations were made on this application

Apparent access, 6, Raunds Road :-

Concern was expressed at what would appear to be activities by the occupier of the above property to make a second access to his property from the Raunds Road adjacent to the property. It was reported that the owner had put posts in the ground at the side of the property marking out what would appear to be an access. An Enforcement Officer from the District Council had visited the site and the owner had been informed that planning permission is required for such a construction and that he was to contact the District Council about the matter. Enforcement action could ensue if the letter were ignored.

It was reported at the meeting that it would appear that further activity was taking place at the site as an excavator had been brought onto the site. The District Council was to be informed of this.

Accounts :-

The following account was passed for payment :-

P.J.Hill - Salary - 3 Mths. £37. 50
Expenses £ 1. 51 £39. 01

The following accounts had been paid out of meeting :-

- 1. Northants. County Council - re-instatement of trenches, new lamp, A45 £20.18
- 2. E.M.E.B. - quarterly account £174.14

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Street Lighting :-

A letter was to be sent to E.M.E.B. reporting the lack of shade on the light opposite Pretoria Cottages and also on the lamp between no.6.Raunds Road and Meadowcroft.

The lamp outside 5,Duchy Close was to be reported as not functioning and the condition of the lamp on the A45,the column being loose in the ground was also to be reported.

A.O.B.

1.Speeding Traffic.Sawyers Crescent :-

A letter was to be sent to the County Surveyor concerning the above. Rush hour traffic creates a problem in Sawyers Crescent when cars take a short cut along Water Lane and to Raunds Road via Sawyers Crescent.The problem is made more dangerous with the restriction of the roadway in Sawyers Crescent to one width with parked vehicles outside owners houses,particularly on the bend. Suggestions to be put forward to the County Surveyor to help to alleviate the problem were sleeping policemen or 'SLOW' signs in Water Lane and at the top of Sawyers Crescent.

2.Chapel House :-

It was noted that the owner of the above property,who is in the process of converting the building into a private dwelling,is using The Green for parking his vehicles.Enquiries were to be made of the District Council about the planning conditions on this property as there is no access to the property and there isobvious concern about The Green being used as a parking area.

3. Grass Cutting -

It was noted that the grass areas in the Village had recently been cut with the exception of the area in front of The Firs.A letter was to be sent to the County Council enquiring the reason for this.

3. Overhanging hedge, 'Maraldo' :-

The Chairman was to contact the new owners of 'Maraldo' to ask if they ^{can} cut the overhanging hedge.

There being no other business,the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m. after its being ascertained that the date of the next meeting is November 11th,1985.

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CHELVESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 11th November, 1985, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. Mr M.L.Foulger - Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs S.A.Carr, Mrs P.Hughes, Mr A.N.Morris, Mr R.A.McGeorge and Mr G.Smart. District Cllr. Mrs G.Murdin.
Mrs P.J.Hill - Clerk

Apologies for Absence : Apologies were received from Councillors Mr D.Lawson and Mr H.Binder.

Minutes of previous Meeting :- The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday, 9th September, 1985, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising from Minutes :-
1. Frontage, Raunds Road :-
A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor concerning the above, indicating that the Parish Council's concern over the matter is shared by the County Council. Mr Hill, the Contract Engineer, is trying to resolve the matter with the Developers and in the meantime the condition of the road will be monitored and any remedial work done as necessary.

It was noted that the in-filling of tarmac was becoming churned up with use by heavy traffic. The Clerk was to write to the Area Surveyor again re-affirming the Parish Council's concern over this matter, regarding it as a matter of urgency before an accident occurs.

2. Community Task Force Projects :-
Ditch, East View :-

A letter had been received from the Area Surveyor indicating that the piping of the remaining length of ditch between East View and Pretoria Cottages could be undertaken by the Community Task Force subject to certain conditions appertaining to site safety, kerb offlets accesses and the placing of a manhole at the end of each section to facilitate future cleansing operations.

3. Grass Cutting, The Firs :-

The Area Surveyor indicated that the cutting of this grass area had been deferred until the kerbing of the bend is complete.

4. Access, 6, Raunds Road :-

Reference was made to the Minutes of the District Council whereby it indicated that enforcement action would be taken over the above matter if planning permission were not sought within a period of two months.

4. Street Lighting :-

It was noted that the faults reported had all been rectified.

5. Speeding Traffic, Sawyers Crescent :-

Correspondence had been received from both the County Surveyor and the Area Surveyor on this matter.

The County Surveyor indicated that Sawyers Crescent does not meet the criteria laid down for the use of "Sleeping Policemen" or road humps.

The suggestion for "Slow" markings on the carriageway had been forwarded to the Area Surveyor for investigation, who was of the opinion

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that such markings would be rendered ineffective by being obscured by parked vehicles. He offered to arrange an on-site meeting to discuss the situation.

The Chairman and Councillors Mrs Smyth, Mr Morris and Mr Smart indicated that they would attend such a meeting and the Clerk was to write to the Area Surveyor asking for this to be arranged.

6. Former Baptist Chapel :-

Correspondence had been received from the District Council outlining the condition imposed when granting the application for the above as regards access and parking, and indicating that now that the development is occupied the matter of the imposed condition would be investigated to see if it were being complied with.

Further to this letter an amended application was notified, showing an alternative access, turning area and garage and comments were invited from the Parish Council on this application.

No observations were made on the same and the Director of Technical Services was to be advised of this.

7. Overhanging Hedge, "Maraldo" :-

The Chairman reported that he had spoken to the new owner of the above property about this matter and that arrangements were already in hand for it to be dealt with.

Current

Correspondence :-

1. 'Bus Services :-

Correspondence had been received from the County Surveyor relating to a Transport Bill and its implications within the County. A draft of a table showing the existing level of services to each parish, together with a basic level of service which it is felt can be realistically sustained were received as part of the correspondence. From this table it would appear that the Wednesday and Friday 'buses to Rushden from Chelveston might be retained but the Friday service to Raunds and Thrapston would be abandoned.

It was further noted that a regular service could be maintained from Raunds to Wellingborough via Stanwick. In reply to the correspondence it was to be suggested that one of these 'buses might be re-routed via Chelveston.

2. Community Task Force Programme :-

A further letter had been received from the above.

The Chairman was to meet the Supervisor to discuss proposed projects with him. Projects to be put forward were :-

1. The ditch outside "Eastview"
2. The ditch outside Apiary Cottage.

The Village Seat was to be looked at to see if it was in need of attention and if so was to be submitted for repair.

3. Licencing Application, Former Working Men's Club :-

A letter had been received from the ~~from~~ the Planning Department in respect of the above, indicating that there is nothing within planning legislation which would control the amount of parking at these premises.

It was reported that the hearing for the licencing application had not taken place owing to an irregularity in the number of days notification required.

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The later hearing enabled Councillors to lodge an objection with the Licensing Justices concerning the inadequacy of parking provision for the proposed purpose of the premises.

Planning Matters :-

The following application had been notified out of meeting and no observations were made on the same :-

Plan No. EN/84/1036

Garage, Turning area and alternative access, former Baptist Chapel, Higham Road, Chelveston

Accounts :-

The following accounts were passed for payment out of meeting :-

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| 1. E.M.E.B. - replacement of vandalised lamp, Raunds Road and replumbing of lamp on A45 | £34. 50 |
| 2. E.M.E.B. - quarterly account | £178. 14 |

The following account was passed for payment :-

M.L. Foulger - Poppy Wreath	£8. 75
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A.G.B.

1. Footpath Sign, Water Lane :-

It was noted that the footpath sign adjacent to the footbridge Water Lane had not to date been replaced. The Clerk was to write to the County Surveyor requesting again that this might be done.

2. Pollution of Brook :-

The Clerk was to write to A.W.A. bringing their attention to the condition of the Brook. Complaints had been received at various times, reports having been received of the water being at times blue and at others brown. A.W.A. was to be asked to investigate these complaints.

2. Overgrown hedge Obscuring Light, Water Lane :-

A letter was to be sent to E.M.E.B. enquiring if the lamp opposite 17/8, Water Lane, which is presently obscured by an overgrown hedge in Sawyers Crescent, might be trimmed by means of an overhead lift, it not being possible to reach it by means of a ladder.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.05 p.m., after it being ascertained that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for January 13th and that estimates for the precept are to be discussed at this meeting.

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