

UPWOOD PARISH 1909



Minutes from meetings dated:

11th January

12th July

12th April

11th October



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

Minutes of and proceedings at the Quarterly Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the National School on **Monday , the 11th day of January 1909** at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Present: Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, Chairman, Messrs. George Thompson, Albert H. Ingle, William George Thompson, and the Clerk Thos. Smith.

Minutes

Resolved, that minutes and proceedings of last meeting as read, be confirmed and signed.

Parish Constables, Nomination of.

Proposed by Mr. George Thompson, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that Messrs. William Geo. Thompson, William H. Sinclair, Lewis Fordham, Fred Townsend Jun'r, Charles Kilby and Albert Henry Ingle be nominated as Parish Constables for the ensuing year.

Grass Keeping at the Gravel Pits.

Proposed by Mr. Albert Henry Ingle, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that the Clerk instruct Mr. William Orriss, Auctioneer of Ramsey, to let the Grass Keeping of the 'Gravel Pits', but exclusive of that in Jackson's Drove, as usual at his convenience, but not later than the second week in April.

Parish Award and Map.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that the Rev'd C. Philip C. Nugent be informed that an Order had previously been made for the Parish Award and Map to be kept at the Vicarage, for and on behalf of the Parish Council, and that he, as successor to the Rev'd J. F. Cooksey, be requested to continue the custody thereof.

Local Lectures.

The Clerk read circular letter of 23rd October 1908, from the Clerk to the Education Committee re Local Lectures, when it was proposed by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Albert Henry Ingle, and resolved that the Clerk reply thereto stating that the Parish Council consider that Lectures on the subject of Horticulture (Gardening) and Breeding and the Management of Farm Stock, will be most suitable. Further, that they will be pleased to avail themselves of the offer of the Education Committee, provided the Lectures can be given in the winter or early spring.

Annual Meeting.

Proposed by Mr. Albert Henry Ingle, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that the Annual Parish Meeting be held in the National Schoolroom on Thursday, the 25th day of March next at seven o'clock in the evening.

Rev'd J. F. Cooksey, Resignation.

The Clerk read a letter from the Rev'd J. F. Cooksey dated 9th January '09, resigning his seat on the Council, when it was proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. Albert Henry Ingle, and resolved that the Clerk write to him expressing his regret of the Council that his removal from the Parish, left them no alternative but to accept his resignation. At the same time they wished to express their appreciation of the valuable services which he had rendered to the Council since the establishment thereof, and wish him much happiness in his new sphere of labour.

Hill Farm Allotments Meeting.

The Committee reported that they had met the applicants for Hill Farm Allotments on the 16th October '08, as arranged, and had allocated the land by drawing lots as follows, viz:-

No 1.	Ingram, George	1 acre
No 2.	Deighton, William Geo.	1 acre
No 3.	Kennell, Geo. Jun'r	2 acres
No 4.	King, James	2½ acres
No 5.	Townsend, Fred Sen'r	1 acre
No 6.	Slack, Harry	2 acres
No 7.	Shelton, Reuben	1 acre
No 8.	Gaunt, John	2½ acres
No 9.	Kidman, Jas. William	3 acres
No 10.	Thompson, William Geo.	2 acres
No 11.	Woodward, Ernest	2 acres
Total:		20 acres

They had also arranged with Mr. George Allpress of Broughton, to provide and fix Two Field Gates and Oak Posts for Hill Farm Allotments at a cost of £4.12.0, with a further 5/- for allotting out which had been done.

The Clerk was requested to ask P. L. Rogers Esq're to use his influence or obtain for the Council, 80 good Sleepers delivered at Ramsey or Ramsey St. Mary's, for amount of which cheque would be issued on receipt of Invoice.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that cheque for value of Sleepers be authorized to be drawn on receipt of invoice.

Accounts.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson and resolved that payment of the following accounts since last meeting, be approved, viz:-

Ocean Acc. & Guar. Corporation Ltd.	£	s	d			
	1	0	0			
Elderkin, Thos.	£	s	d			
	1	13	9			
“	£1.6.3					
Cutting Gateways	5.0					
(Drawn in favour of Clerk)	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>			
				<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
				<u>£ 4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

Accounts.

Proposed by Mr. George Thompson, seconded by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, and resolved that the undermentioned accounts be passed, and that cheques for same be signed and paid, viz:-

		£	s	d
Margetts, C. B.	Tithe & Common Rights	2	14	2
Inland Revenue Comm'rs	Land & Imp. Taxes	1	11	9
Ramsey, Lord De	Common Rights	1	13	0
Jones, Mrs Sarah	"		9	0
Hughes, Rev'd W. O. J.	"		3	0
Setchell, Annie Amelia	"		3	0
Clarke, F. A.	"		3	0
Smith, Thos.	Audit Stamp 5/-, Postages 10/6			
	Speechley, Mrs – Rent of Well 2/6			
	Common Rights – George Cross 3/-			
	Gaunt, Mrs Ada 3/-, Sinclair Mrs Emma 3/-			
	Summers, Fred 3/-, Cooksey Rev'd J. F. 3/-			
	Poors Rates 14/5, Hill Farm Allot.			
	Peterborough Advertiser re Fencing 11/-			
	Peterborough Standard 7/6	3	5	11
Allpress, George	Hill Farm Allotments	4	17	0
		£ 14	19	10

Hill Farm Allotment Rents.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. Albert Henry Ingle, and resolved that the Clerk take steps for collecting Hill Farm Allotment Rents at his convenience, but prior to 12th April next.

Clerks' Application for Additional Remuneration.

Owing to paucity of attendance, it was decided to defer consideration of Clerk's application for additional remuneration for extra work during the past two years, until the next meeting.

Top Field Allotments.

Applications for Top Field Allotments were considered, when it was proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that the following changes be made, viz:-

Edward Shelton Jr	have	No. 25 late Leonard Poulter
Fred Townsend Jr	have	No. 40 late Sam. Voss (part of two)
H. Thompson	have	No. 43 late Sam. Voss (rem'r of two)
Thomas Burton	have	No. 12 late David Tye Jr

and that the Clerk write to Tom King, informing him that the Parish Council had fixed up the Allotments in hand from Michaelmas, and suggest that he arrange with his father for one of the three now held by him.

Signed: Reginald J. Kidman, Chairman



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

Minutes of and proceedings at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the National School on (Easter) **Monday , the 12th April 1909** at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Present: Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, Chairman, Colonel Mowbray, Messrs. George Thompson, Albert H. Ingle, William George Thompson, and the Clerk Thos. Smith.

Chairman, Election of.

Proposed by Colonel Mowbray, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that Mr. Kidman had conducted the business of the Council, during the past year, in a satisfactory manner, and that he be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Mr. Kidman in acknowledging the compliment, said the Council had worked together very well and he would continue to conduct the business of the Council to the best of his ability.

Minutes

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Treasurer Local, Election of.

Proposed by Colonel Mowbray, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that the thanks of the Council be accorded to Mr. William Collett for his services rendered during the past year, and that he be re-elected Treasurer – Local to the Council for the ensuing year.

Overseer of the Poor, Election of.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald Job Kidman, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that Mr. Walter Cross be re-elected Overseer of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Overseer of the Poor, Election of.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald Job Kidman, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that Mr. Lewis Fordham be elected Overseer of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Parish Councillor, Election of.

Proposed by Colonel Mowbray, seconded by Mr. Albert H. Ingle, and resolved that the Rev'd Charles Philip Croker Nugent be elected Parish Councillor for unexpired term of office of Rev'd John Francis Cooksey resigned.

Accounts.

Proposed by Colonel Mowbray, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that the Accounts of the Parish Council for the financial year ended 31st March last as read, and showing a credit balance of £19.5.5½ be approved and signed.

Correspondence.

The following correspondence and communications were submitted, viz:-

Cooksey, Rev'd J. F.	Letter dated 25 th January '09.
Board of Agriculture	Re Allotments and what action taken.
Local Government Board	Circular dated 1 st February '09 re Admission of the Press to Meetings.
Hunts. Education Committee	Letter dated 5 th March '09 with Form 308B (Notice) re Ramsey Heights Council School.

Accounts.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. Albert H. Ingle, and resolved that cheque be drawn and signed in favour of:

Margetts, C. B.	Quit Rent to Lady Day '09	£0.6.11
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Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. Albert H. Ingle, and resolved that cheque be drawn in favour of the Clerk for payment of the undermentioned accounts, viz:-

		£	s	d
Cooksey, Rev'd J. F.	Use of Schoolroom for Meetings to 12 th October '08	0	3	6
Nugent, Rev'd C. P. C	Ditto from 13 th October '08 to 12 th January 1909	0	3	0
Palmer & Son	Stationery	0	4	0
Thompson, George		0	1	0
		£ 0	12	3

Hill Farm Allotments.

The Clerk reported to the Council that he collected the rent of the Hill Farm Allotments on the 5th inst. £12.10.0 out of which he had paid £10 to Lord De Ramsey's Agent and £2.10.0 to the Treasurer. Application having been made for Top Field Allotment No. 3 occupied by Charles Voss, it was proposed by Mr. Albert H. Ingle, seconded by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, and resolved that the same be allotted to Charles Mason.

Clerk's Application for Additional Remuneration.

The adjourned consideration of the Clerk's application for remuneration on account of additional duties during the past two years by the Allotment and Small Holdings Act 1907, was resumed, the Clerk pointing out that taking the clerical duties of 1906/7 as represented by 1. those of 1907/8 would be 3, and those of 1908/9 would be 5.

He also explained that his salary hitherto had been paid to January meeting each year, and suggested the advisability of bringing it down to 31st March for matter of accounts, he then withdrew.

On being recalled, the Chairman informed him that they had resolved to grant him the sum of two pounds for the special services and fifteen shillings for the adjustment of his salary to 31st March 1909.

West's Charity.

Colonel Mowbray gave notice that at the next meeting he should bring forward the distribution of West's Charity for consideration, and if necessary move a resolution thereon.

Mr. Sinclair's Field, Erecting of Gate.

Mr. George Thompson gave notice that at the next meeting he should bring forward the question of erecting a gate in Mr. Sinclair's field leading to the Churchyard.

Fencing of Hill Farm Allotments – Allotments Committee.

The meeting then resolved itself into one of the Allotments Committee for reconsidering the fencing of Hill Farm Allotments, when it was proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Mr. George Thompson, and resolved that the Clerk be requested to thank Rowland Bros. for their Tender dated 23rd October last, and inform them that if it still held good, the Council would accept the Tender provided the work could be put in hand at once.

Signed: R. J. Kidman, Chairman



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Councillors Declaration.

I hereby declare that I accept the Office of Parish Councillor of Upwood, and will fulfil the duties to the best of my ability.

Signed: C. Philip C. Nugent

Present: Mr. Reginald Job Kidman, Chairman, Rev'd Chas. Philip Croker Nugent, Colonel Mowbray, Messrs. William Collett, William Thompson, George Thompson, Albert H. Ingle, and the Clerk Thos. Smith.

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West's Charity.

Colonel Mowbray in accordance with notice duly given, brought forward the question of the distribution of West's Charity.

Practically speaking everyone in the village received a sum of money, which they looked upon as a kind of Christmas box. This he objected to personally, contending that a larger sum should be given to the Widows and Aged Poor.

The Chairman pointed out that the Trustees had acted upon the Benefactress' instructions which gave them considerable latitude, but the points raised by the Colonel might very well be considered by the Trustees in council.

The motion was then by leave withdrawn.

Mr. Sinclair's Field, Erecting of Gate.

Mr. George Thompson in accordance with notice duly given, brought forward his motion that a gate leading out of Mr. Sinclair's field towards the Church yard, be substituted for a stile.

After considerable discussion, it was proposed by Mr. William Collett, seconded by Rev'd C. P. C. Nugent, and resolved that action thereon be deferred, pending an inspection of the Award to ascertain the position of the Parish Council, and that the Chairman, the Vicar, Colonel Mowbray and Mr. Collett, be appointed a Committee for that purpose.

Catling's Stile Repair.

Proposed by Mr. William Collett, seconded by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, and resolved that Cornelius Murfin repair Catling's Stile with two slats.

Subscription for Parish Councillor & Guardian.

Proposed by Mr. Reginald J. Kidman, seconded by Colonel Mowbray, and resolved that the Parish Councillor & Guardian be subscribed for.

Accounts.

Proposed by Mr. William Collett, seconded by Rev'd C. P. C. Nugent, and resolved that cheques be drawn and signed for the following, viz:-

	£	s	d
Overseers of the Poor	0	15	1
Gilding, Henry	1	16	4
	<u>£ 2</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>

Signed: Reginald J. Kidman, Chairman



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Agricultural Lectures.

The Clerk read circular letter dated 2nd October 1909, from the Hunts. Education Committee re Agricultural Lectures, when it was proposed by Mr. George Thompson, seconded by Mr. Kidman, and resolved that the Clerk reply to the Education Committee, thanking them for their kind offer and inform them that they (the Council) do not consider the interest taken by the inhabitants sufficient to justify them in asking your Committee to incur the expense.

Allotment Rents.

Proposed by Mr. William Collett, seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that the Council meet in the National School on Friday 22nd October '09 at 7.30pm to receive the Allotment Rents due at Michaelmas, and that members present attend as far as practicable.

Hill Farm Allotment Fence.

Application dated 13th August from Rowland Bros. re Hill Farm Allotment Fence was read, when it was proposed by Mr. Reginald Job Kidman seconded by Mr. William Geo. Thompson, and resolved that the Clerk reply requesting them to commence at once and that application be made to Mr. George Allpress for the exact length of fence required.

Audit, Huntingdon.

The Clerk reported that he attended the Audit at Huntingdon on the 5th inst., when the same were certified to be correct, and the Auditor approved proposed form of account for Hill Farm Allotments.

Award Inspected re Gate or Stile.

The Committee elected at the previous meeting to inspect the Award, reported that it contained no information relative to the position of the Parish Council on the question of substituting a gate for a stile.

Councillor & Guardian.

The Clerk reported that the 'Councillor & Guardian' was not now issued.

Accounts.

Proposed by Rev'd C. P. C. Nugent, seconded by Mr. William Collett and resolved that cheques be drawn and signed for the following, viz:-

		£	s	d
Rogers & Longbourne	Allotment Rent	10	0	0
Hadden, Best & Co.	Stationery		3	10
		£	10	3 10

Signed: Chairman