# UPWOOD **PARISH** 1921

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Minutes of and proceedings at a Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the schoolroom on **Monday** the 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm.

**Present:** Mr. George Thompson, Chairman, Rev. H. Kitchener, Messrs. W. H. Sinclair, W. Curtis, W. G. Thompson, A. H. Ingle, H. Thompson, and the Clerk R. J. Kidman.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

#### **Gravel Pits.**

Proposed by Mr. W. H. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. A. H. Ingle, and resolved that Mr. Rose, Auctioneer, Ramsey let the Gravel Pits early in April next.

It was reported to the Council that Mr. Coleman had encroached upon the Parish Gravel Pits, and it was proposed by Mr. W. Thompson, seconded by the Rev. Kitchener that the Clerk be instructed to write him on the matter.

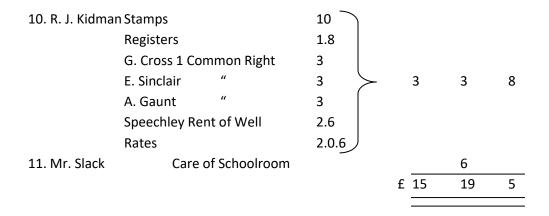
#### Parish Constables.

Proposed by Mr. W. G. Thompson, seconded by Mr. H. Thompson that the six undermentioned persons be nominated to serve as Parish Constables for the ensuing year. Messrs. W. G. Thompson, Harry Thompson, John Gaunt Jr, Fred Townsend, Cornelius Murfin, Fred Barham.

## Accounts.

Proposed by Mr. H. Thompson, seconded by Mr. W. G. Thompson, and resolved that cheques be drawn in payment of the undermentioned accounts.

				£	S	d
1. J. E. Hardy Vernon	Tithe		£5.7.8			
u	5 Common Rights		15	6	9	7
u	Quit Rent		6.11			
2. Lord De Ramsey	11 Co	mmon Rights		1	13	
3. Proud	Income Tax			3	3	2
4. Sarah Jones	3 Common Rights				9	
5. Rev Hughes	1	u			3	
6. A. Clarke	1	u			3	
7. Rev. Cooksey	1	u			3	
8. F. G. Thompson	1	u			3	
9. F. Summers	1	u			3	



#### Allotment.

It was reported to the Council that Oswald Jacobs had ignored his notice to quit possession of his allotment on October the 11<sup>th</sup> 1920, and has since trespassed upon it.

It was proposed by Mr. W. G. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Curtis, and resolved that the Clerk be instructed to apply to the magistrates for an ejectment order against him.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by Mr. H. Thompson, and resolved that Messrs. George Thompson and W. Curtis inspect the manure or any produce which may have been left on Mr. Edward Shelton's allotment, with a view of awarding compensation and that the late tenant be invited to meet them at the allotment on Friday next at 4pm.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Henry Jacobs had not paid his rent, and that he was not certain that he intended to cultivate the land for the next year.

It was proposed by Mr. Curtis, seconded by Mr. Sinclair, and resolved that the Council give him a months notice to quit the land, and in event of the rent being paid within the month, and he so wished, this notice was to be withdrawn.

Proposed by Mr. G. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Curtis that the allotment vacated by Mr. Revell be offered to Mr. Austin.

# Hedges.

Proposed by Mr. G. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Sinclair, and resolved that Messrs. Ingle and Curtis be a committee to get the Parish Hedges cut.

# **Application for Land.**

Application from Edward Shelton Jr., Oswald Jacobs and William Revell for one acre of land each was read. The Council decided that as these men had recently given up land owing to a slight increase of rent, and that they had not paid the rent due to the Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October last for the last years occupation, but was four months in arrears, they considered the applications were not genuine, and the Council decided not to take any steps in the matter.

Signed: Geo. Thompson











Minutes of and proceedings at a Special Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the schoolroom on **Tuesday the 25**<sup>th</sup> **January** at 7pm.

**Present:** Mr. G. Thompson, Chairman, Messrs. W. Curtis, A. H. Ingle, W. G. Thompson, H. Thompson, and the Clerk R. J. Kidman.

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Mr. G. Thompson and Mr. Curtis reported that they had visited the allotment recently occupied by Mr. Edward Shelton, and that they had found a small heap of manure on the land, and that it had been planted and grown vegetable marrows during the last year. They did not consider he had any claim for compensation against the Council.

The Clerk reported that Edward Shelton, Oswald Jacobs and William Revell had not paid their rents for the land they had occupied of the Council during the year 1920-21, although application had been made for the payment of these rents.

It was proposed by Mr. W. Curtis, seconded by Mr. Ingle, and resolved that the Clerk be instructed on behalf of the Council to give these men the months notice to quit the land on the grounds that their rents were forty days in arrears, and that he be instructed to take legal advice on any matter connected with these allotments he may think necessary.

Signed: Geo. Thompson.











Minutes of and proceedings at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Monday the 18**<sup>th</sup> **April** at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Mr. G. Thompson, Chairman, Rev. Kitchener, Messrs. W. Curtis, W. G. Thompson, A. H. Ingle, W. Sinclair, W. G. Thompson, H. Thompson, and the Clerk.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

#### Chairman.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by W. Sinclair, and resolved that Mr. G. Thompson be reappointed Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

#### Treasurer.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by Mr. Sinclair, and resolved that Mr. G. Thompson be reappointed Treasurer of the Council for the ensuing year.

#### Overseers.

Proposed by Mr. H. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Sinclair, and resolved that the Rev. Kitchener and Mr. W. G. Thompson be re-appointed Overseers of the Poor of the Parish for the ensuing year.

## Accounts.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by Mr. W. Sinclair, and resolved that a cheque for £10 be drawn in payment of the Lady Day rent for the Small Holdings land on Hill Farm, also that Mr. Kidman, the Clerk, be allowed £2.2 for the extra work caused by the trouble with the tenants over the Garden Allotments, and his attendance before the magistrates to secure ejectment orders.

## Repairs to Parish Property.

Proposed by Mr. Curtis, seconded by Mr. Ingle, and resolved that Mr. Murfin repair the bottom field allotment gate.

Signed: Geo. Thompson.











Minutes of and proceedings at the Quarterly Meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Monday the 11**<sup>th</sup> **July** at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Mr. George Thompson, Chairman, the Rev. Kitchener, Messrs. W. Curtis, W. Sinclair, A. H. Ingle, W. G. Thompson, and the Clerk R. J. Kidman.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

#### Accounts.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by Mr. Ingle, and resolved that cheques be drawn in payment of the undermentioned accounts.

Audit Stamp £1 - Rates £2.1.10 - R. J. Kidman, £2.5.9 Income Tax Mr. Filch.

#### Water Supply.

Proposed by the Rev. Kitchener, seconded by Mr. Sinclair, and resolved that owing to the scarcity of water in the village, the water from the Parish Pump be restricted, and that the pump be locked, and opened only for the purpose of obtaining water from 7 to 8am and 7 to 8pm, that no householder be allowed more than two small pails or one large pail per day. That Mr. William Speechley be appointed manager of the pump on behalf of the Council at a fair remuneration, and that he be instructed to lock and unlock the pump and to supervise the drawing of the water generally. The Council authorise him to use discretion in filling or not to fill any pail in case the water may show signs of giving out.

In arriving at the time for closing and opening the pump, Mr. Speechley is to be guided by his own clock which he is asked to keep as near correct as possible.

#### Old Well.

Proposed by Mr. W. Sinclair seconded by Mr. Curtis, and resolved that the Clerk write to Mr. Leete, County Surveyor, Huntingdon, asking permission to open the old Parish Well.

#### Allotment.

Proposed by Mr. William Thompson, seconded by Mr. Ingle, and resolved that a notice be posted on the village asking parishioners to make written application to the Clerk for the land to be let at Michaelmas next in the Bottom allotment field, also that the Clerk write to Mr. Rogers of Ramsey in reference to the releasing of the Small Holdings land on Hill Farm.

It was resolved that the next quarterly meeting of the Council be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October next.











Minutes of and proceedings at the Quarterly Meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Thursday** evening 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

**Present:** Mr. G. Thompson, Chairman, Messrs. W. Curtis, A. H. Ingle, W. Thompson, the Rev. Kitchener, and the Clerk.

## Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

### Meeting Place.

It was pointed out that the Vicar had invited the Council to meet at the Vicarage as the Schoolroom was occupied by the Women's Institute.

#### Resignation.

The Clerk then tendered his resignation, explaining that he was leaving the village. The resignation was accepted by the Council with the very greatest regret, every member testifying to the serious loss the Council was sustaining, after a service extending for something near 30 years.

The Council felt that they had no course but to accept the resignation and desired that their regret at Mr. Kidman's departure and their keen appreciation of his long and faithful service be duly entered on the minutes of the Council. The two Overseers heartily concurred.

## Adverts.

The Clerk was then, on the proposition of Mr. W. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Ingle, commissioned to advertise for a successor in the two Peterborough papers, the Chairman to call a meeting to consider any replies when necessary.

Signed: Geo. Thompson.











Minutes of and proceedings at a Special Meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Monday evening October 17th** at 7pm.

**Present:** Mr. G. Thompson, Chairman, Messrs. W. Curtis, A. H. Ingle, W. Thompson, and the Rev. H. Kitchener (who acted Clerk).

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The Council then proceeded to consider the applications of which there were 11, and after long and thorough discussion decided to ask Mr. L. W. Scarr and Mr. T. Greenwood to meet them at their next meeting October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

It was decided to collect the Allotment Rents on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Signed: G. Thompson.











Minutes of and proceedings at the Special Meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Tuesday evening October 25th** at 7pm.

**Present:** Mr. G. Thompson, Chairman, Messrs. W. Curtis, A. H. Ingle, W. Sinclair, H. Thompson, W. Thompson, and the Rev. H. Kitchener.

## **Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

#### Interviews.

The Council then proceeded to interview Messrs. Greenwood and Scarr, the two applicants for the post of Parish Clerk, Assistant Overseer, and after full discussion it was unanimously decided to offer the post to Mr. Greenwood, he having had considerable experience in such work.

## Sympathy.

It was decided unanimously to enter on the minutes, the Councils expression of sincere sympathy with their member Mr. Sinclair in the recent heavy trouble through which he had gone, and the sad loss he had sustained by the death of his son in law.

Signed: H. Kitchener











The Allotment Audit was held in the School room in the presence of Councillors Curtis, Ingle, H. Thompson, with Mr. G. Thompson in the Chair.

# **Minutes**

The total rents collected amounted to £36.9.0

Applications for allotments vacated by Mr. H. Thompson and P. C. Waters were duly considered when it was resolved that Mr. Thompson's allotment be offered to Mr. W. Furnell, and P. C. Waters allotment to Mr. Job.

It was further resolved that the land in Dock Field lately in the occupation of Fred Kilby be offered to Harry Ingle (one acre), Joel Richardson (two acres), and remainder to Fred Kilby.

Signed: H. Kitchener.