

Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys  
Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Upwood, on Thursday,  
3rd January, 1980.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. R. Scarr  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
with Mrs. I. Agger and the  
Clerk

1. Apologies for absence

Mrs. N. Greasley.

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th November, 1979, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman after an amendment to item 3 (c) which now reads 'Local Government Act' 1972 and not 'Open Spaces Act'.

3. Matters arising

(a) Bentley Close Play Area

The Chairman read out a letter received from Serjeant and Son dated 18th December, 1979, concerning the boundary wall. After a short discussion it was agreed that the sub-committee should deal with the matter.

(b) Tree Planting

The Chairman reported that the trees had now been planted at the junction of Ramsey Road and Huntingdon Road, and the task had been carried out satisfactorily.

(c) Post Box

The Clerk reported that the Post Office were not able to provide a postbox at Tyndale, Great Raveley.

(d) Allotments

Mr. Gaunt reported that Mr. Taylor had cultivated the two vacant allotments and it had been agreed to pay him the sum of £5-00. He was now the tenant of plots 1-3c inclusive. The Chairman said that only one vacant plot remained and he said he would see Mr. Osborn who had indicated that he might wish to take this plot over.

(e) Upwood Church Gate

Mr. Densham said that there was nothing further to report on this item at this stage and it was agreed to carry it forward to the next meeting.

(f) Dyke

No reply had yet been received from the District Council.

(g) Street Lighting

In response to a question from Mr. Scarr the Chairman said that the decision on street lighting was in abeyance until the survey had been completed by Huntingdon District Council.

4. Housing Policy

The Chairman said that this item referred back to the discussion of the meeting before last when he had asked the Parish Council to think about this matter. The discussion originally arose from remarks made from time to time that houses built in the parish were not within the means of young married couples who tended to move out of the parish for that reason. Mr. Gaunt said he felt that until the Anglian Water Authority had improved the sewerage plant that no further development would take place in any case.

After considerable discussion it was agreed to approach the Huntingdon District Council to ask if it was their future intention to build any more houses to let in the village. It was also agreed to write to the Anglian Water Authority concerning the proposed improvements to the sewerage plant.

5. Buses

Mr. Gaunt said that buses were still not running to time. The Chairman said that the complaints must be specific in order to take the matter up with the transport company concerned. Mr. Gaunt reported that five weeks before Christmas the bus stop at Peterborough Bus Station was changed and as a result eleven people missed the bus and had to take a taxi back to Upwood. It was agreed that a letter would be written to Eastern Counties suggesting that a notice be put up in future.

6. Parish Council Papers - Storage

The Chairman said that documents were accumulating and it was becoming inconvenient for the clerk to keep them. He suggested that a cupboard be supplied by the Parish Council for this purpose and be kept in the Village Hall. It was agreed that the Village Hall Committee should be approached concerning this.

7. Cheques/Documents

Berrycroft Stores	£8-33
Thomas Smith	£9-20
Anglian Water Authority	£4-34
V. Edwards	£19-60
Upwood Pre-School Playgroup	£35-00

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8. Correspondence

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Newsletter  
Cambridgeshire County Council : Report : Tourism and the Village  
Countryside News and Views.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers : It was agreed to  
suggest that the Chapel of Rest in the Old Cemetery would be  
a suitable project.

Huntingdon District Council : Parish Review

Huntingdon District Council : Bulky Refuse Collection Service.

It was agreed to write to the Director of Technical Services  
pointing out that certain areas in the village were being  
used as 'dumps'.

Anglian Water Authority Report.

9. Any other business

(a) Mr. Edwards reported that the lights in Great Raveley had  
not been working for two weeks.

(b) In response to a question from Miss Butler, the Chairman  
confirmed that the Parish Map was in his possession and  
could be inspected on demand.

10. Date and time of Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday, 5th March, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

After some discussion it was agreed to invite representatives  
of the various village associations to give a report of their  
activities during the past year which would be limited to five  
minutes per speaker.

It was also agreed that a circular concerning the Annual Parish  
Meeting would be delivered to each house in the villages.

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*W. E. Johnson*  
24.4.80.

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Minutes and Proceedings of a special meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys  
Parish Council held on Tuesday, 22nd January, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in  
Upwood Village Hall

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mrs. S. Cousins  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mrs. O. Slote

Mr. N. Bunnage : District Councillor

1. Apologies for absence

Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. J. Walters

2. Planning Applications : Upwood

- (a) 76H0012/800  
Potato Store and Ancillary Buildings : Upwood Road  
Eldred 1968 Trust

The Chairman read out the letter from the applicants which gave full details of the proposed development.

After a full discussion it was felt that the application was more suitable to an industrial estate than to Upwood Road, and the vote taken at the end of the discussion was unanimously against the application.

As Miss Butler had an interest in items (b) and (c) she did not vote on these applications.

- (b) 76H0063/800  
Outline permission for residential development : High Street  
Miss F. Butler

The Chairman reminded those present that this application was in fact a renewal of permission for an earlier application. After some discussion the vote taken was four abstentions and one in favour.

- (c) 76H0062/800  
One detached dwelling : High Street  
Miss F. Butler

After a short discussion the voting on this item was unanimously in favour.

2. Conservation Area : Little Raveley

Mrs. Cousins reported that all the residents of Little Raveley were in favour of the proposed conservation area.

*W E Johnson*  
24.4.80.

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Minutes and Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Parish Council  
held on Wednesday, 13th February, 1980, at 7.00 p.m. in Upwood Village  
Hall.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Dutler  
Mrs. S. Cousins  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mr. R. Scarr  
Mrs. I. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
with Mrs. I. Agger  
and the Clerk

Mr. N. Dunning : District Councillor

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. H. McCarthy

2. Upwood Sewerage

The Chairman said he had had a reply to the Parish Council's enquiry from the Divisional Engineer, Ely Sewage Division, Anglian Water Authority concerning the development of Upwood Sewerage, which he then read to those present. He said he felt that the main point which emerged was that some improvements were in the programme for 1982/83 depending on Government policy although it would appear that the proposal to pump sewage to Ramsey might be abandoned. After some discussion it felt that the matter should be brought up at the Annual Parish Meeting.

3. Planning Applications

(a) 76H0146/800

Mr. K. Walker, 108 Huntingdon Road, Upwood  
Change of use to residential land

The plans were inspected and the Chairman pointed out that the application was for outline planning permission only. After some discussion it was felt that access to the site itself would be a potential road hazard, being situated on a dangerous bend on the Huntingdon Road together with further overloading of the sewage with approximately thirteen further dwellings. A vote was taken which showed members against the proposals by a majority of 7 votes with one abstention.

(b) 76H0145/800

Mr. K. Walker, 108 Huntingdon Road, Upwood  
Two building plots : Huntingdon Road

This application was also for outline planning permission and after the plans had been inspected and discussed the voting was against approval of the proposal by a majority of six with two abstentions.

*W E Johnson*  
24.4.80

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Minutes and Proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys held in the Village Hall, Upwood, on Wednesday, 5th March, 1980.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mrs. S. Cousins  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
with Mrs. I. Agger and the  
Clerk

Thirteen members of the public were present.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mr. Bedford  
Mr. Bunnage  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. McCarthy  
Mr. Scarr  
Mrs. Wells

2. Minutes

Item 4 (8) an amendment was made to read 'logical' and not 'topical'. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 6th March, 1978, were then confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

There were none.

4. Parish Council Action

The Chairman said that during the year there had been elections held for Parish Council seats but no election had been held in Upwood and The Raveleys as the number of nominations had equalled the number of vacant seats. New members elected to the Parish Council were Mr. Densham, Mr. McCarthy and Mr. Walters. The Chairman also paid tribute to the time and effort given by two former members of the Parish Council, Mr. Barham and Mrs. Bannister.

The Chairman said that notice boards had now been erected in Great Raveley and Little Raveley.

Earlier in the year a letter was distributed to all residents in Upwood requesting all dog owners to exercise restraint over their animals. The old cemetery had been tidied up and thanks were due to Mr. Vern Edwards who had worked very hard. The felling of dead elms had been discussed during the previous year and work had been carried out on the corner of Huntingdon Road just in time for the planting of twenty-one new trees which were Oak and Lime and in the course of years would make the corner an attractive site once again.

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5. Reports

Over 60's  
Mrs. Green

Mrs. Green said that membership had remained at about fifty although attendance had dropped somewhat but had picked up again since September. Costs had continued to rise, particularly the expense of hiring the hall and travelling expenses of entertainers due to rising fuel costs. Entertainment had included slide shows and variety acts highlighted by the Christmas Dinner with entertainment by the Cambridge Crofters. Funds came mainly from the eleven week draw and monthly bingo sessions; these cover the cost of the Christmas dinner and subsidised outings. During the last year the club went to London to see Yul Brynner in the King and I, and also on several mystery tours which are very popular. In place of the September Show a short Harvest Festival service, taken by the Rev. Philip Collins, was held, and the produce was auctioned afterwards. The Chiropodist was not in attendance during the summer due to illness but is now available again, still at the home of Mrs. Thompson. In conclusion Mrs. Green said she would like to thank all the village for supporting the club so well.

Playgroup  
Mrs. Reeve

Mrs. Reeve said that the pre-school Playgroup was started in September of last year when it was found that playgroups already operating in the area could not cope with the demand from Upwood and The Raveleys. The sessions are held in the Primary School Dining Room so it had a distinct advantage for children who will be attending that school later on; they will be accustomed to the school buildings. The Playgroup now had eighteen children attending on four mornings per week and employed two supervisors. Several well-supported fund raising efforts had been held - the most popular being the two discos for the under 12's which were held in the Village Hall. Future functions include an adult disco and supper and a much requested junior disco. Mrs. Reeve concluded by thanking all members of the community for their support in getting the Playgroup established. She said that the committee would also like to thank the Parish Council for its recent generous donation which was a great help.

In reply to a question raised Mrs. Reeve said that the Playgroup paid for the services of the two supervisors but the services of the mothers assisting at the Playgroup were voluntary. A fee was charged for each child per session.

Cricket Club  
Mr. Mumby

Mr. Mumby said that it was the first time during his twenty-five years with the Cricket Club that there were more losses than gains. Of the thirty-three fixtures nine had been won, fifteen lost, seven drawn and two abandoned. However the spirit of the Club was not deterred. He said that to be a success there must be 75% effort on the part of the village and he hoped that there would soon be two or three young lads from the village who might join next season. Thirty-seven games had been arranged. Extensions were to be made to the Pavillion which would make things more pleasant and comfortable. The Club was financially sound. Chris Carter was the man with the most runs (500) and Tim Pettit top on bowling average. Mr. Mumby concluded by saying there was plenty of room in the Club for any young lads from the village who were interested.

Women's Institute  
Mrs. Green

Mrs. Green said that unfortunately membership had dwindled during the past year and the average attendance was about fourteen. She said that the W.I.

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The Chairman said that the speed limit signs had now been in place for some time. The Boundary proposals had been carried through; there had been no opposition and the proposals would now go ahead with the consent of Dury and Wistow Parish Councils.

During the year the Parish Council were asked to seek for Community Advisers at a meeting held at Pathfinder House which had been attended by the Chairman and Clerk. Briefly this was to explain what would happen should the country suffer a nuclear attack. He was glad to say that three community advisers, Mr. P. Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. D. Densham had volunteered to take part in the course and thanked them for giving up their free time for this purpose.

The Bentley Close area was now the subject of legal negotiations to be taken over by the Parish Council. On the subject of lighting the Chairman said that the necessary map had been prepared for the County Council to give the Parish Council an estimate for the re-grading of the lighting to highway standards. This particular department of the County Council had been very busy but the results were expected before long and then the Parish Council would have to take decisions on what to do about the lighting, and costs would have to be taken seriously into account.

The Chairman said that the sewage gave the Parish Council cause for concern as it was seriously overloaded. The Parish Council had been in touch with the Ely Sewage Division of the Anglian Water Authority and had had a lengthy reply. There were improvements scheduled for Upwood in the capital expenditure plan for 1982/83, but this would depend on Government policy.

An enquiry concerning a supply of gas for the village had met with a refusal from the Eastern Gas Board. There had been various complaints about buses. Requests from Great Raveley Residents for a reinstatement of the service which had been cancelled had been passed to the United Counties Bus Company who had reinstated the service on Wednesdays. There had also been complaints concerning the quality of the service, time keeping, discourteous drivers etc. These had all been taken up with the County Council and the bus companies. The reply from the bus companies expressed regret but stated that they did not deal in generalities; only specific complaints. The Chairman said at this point that it would be better if complaints about the service were made to the Parish Council in writing; if there was a definite complaint, they would be happy to take the matter up with the bus company concerned.

The Chairman then thanked all those who had helped in any way with the work of the Parish Council in the last year, to those who had taken an interest in the affairs of the parish and to those who had given their time to the various voluntary organisations.

A question was then raised concerning the problems of loose dogs raiding the dustbin bags on Monday evenings/Tuesday mornings when they were left out for collection. The Chairman said that there was very little that could be done in this respect but to appeal to the good sense of dog owners. He said that the Parish Council would give further thought to the matter.

It was reported that the street lights on the corner by the Church was out of order. The Chairman said that this would be reported to the Eastern Electricity Board.

A question was raised concerning the overloading of the sewage and the possibility that the system was not working efficiently due to this. The Chairman said the system was originally designed to cater for 400 ~~inhabitants~~ <sup>inhabitants</sup> and in 1974 the number on the system was 1,000. He felt that there was a strong possibility that the sewage system was not working as efficiently as it should.

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were trying to boost their membership during the current year as they felt they had a great deal of interest to offer to women for a modest membership fee of £2-25 per annum. The meetings each month were social as well as educational occasions. Last year speakers showed slides of France, America and India, members watched Mr. Martin of the Glass Workshop make glass figures and animals, another speaker talked on recognising birds by their song, Juniors of Huntingdon showed knitting through the ages and modelled hand-knitted garments and a guide from the Fitzwilliam Museum showed slides of items in the museum. Members have attended meetings in other villages and at the Huntingdon Federation headquarters, and in the summer an evening outing to Coton Manor Wildfowl Garden near Northampton took place. During the year money has been raised for the Red Cross and the Huntingdon and Peterborough societies for the Blind. A highly successful Autumn Fashion Show was held and also a profitable bazaar although only eighteen people attended the latter. In conclusion Mrs. Green asked for more ladies from the village to support the W.I.

Village Hall  
Mr. Gaunt

Mr. Gaunt said that as there was no Chairman of the Village Hall Committee at the present time he hoped that the Annual Meeting of that committee to be held on the 17th March at 7.30 p.m. would be supported by as many people as possible. He circulated a copy of the accounts for 1979. He said that £1,250 had been spent on improvements i.e. decorations, car park etc., this being possible as the Parish Council had supported the Village Hall Committee along with the public in general. He was concerned that the charges for the Village Hall should have to keep increasing but it was difficult to find money and there were so many jobs needing to be done. The main room had been re-decorated at a very reduced cost by Mr. Vern Edwards and he thanked him for his support.

In reply to a question, Mr. Gaunt said that the Committee made the charges.

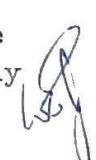
Upwood School  
Mrs. Wells

Mrs. Wells was unable to attend the meeting and no report had been provided for the School.

Huntingdon District Council  
Mr. Bunnage

Mr. Bunnage was unable to be present at the meeting but had provided a report which was read out by the Clerk. In it, Mr. Bunnage said that he was still on the Land Resources and Development Sub-Committee and had been moved to the Housing Committee. He said that the Land Resources Committee have, over the last twelve months, been trying to find a suitable site for light industry in the Ramsey area, but had not yet been successful. The Housing Committee were selling off a lot of Council Houses and he felt that for anyone who is offered their Council House and has the finance available, it is an offer not to be missed. Dutch Elm disease was still creating havoc in the area and although a lot of new planting had been done it would be some years before these trees would reach maturing. During the last year Mr. Bunnage said he had had few complaints and had managed to deal reasonably well with them.

6. Any other business

- (a) The Chairman said he had been asked to read an extract from the Cambridgeshire Farmers' Journal concerning dogs and particularly
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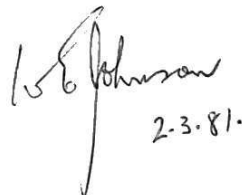
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In relation to their worrying farm animals. The penalties for this were a fine of up to £200 and be held liable for damages. Such an owner may also lose his dog as the law gives a farmer the right to shoot a dog worrying livestock if there is no other way of stopping it and gives the Courts the power to order it to be destroyed.

- (h) The Chairman read out a letter from the Commandant of USAF Alconbury in which he gave notice concerning an increase in flying activities from time to time.
- (c) The Chairman read out a letter from the County Surveyor's office concerning the appointment of a volunteer to hold information applicable to local transport and to make it available to anyone in the village. The County Surveyor's Office would provide relative bus, train and coach timetables. The Chairman asked if it would be possible to find someone to do this and to let him know.
- (d) A question was asked concerning the entrance into Bentley Close from the High Street as it was difficult to manoeuvre wheel chairs along it. It was agreed to write to the District Council concerning this.
- (e) The question of blocked and impassable footpaths was raised and the Chairman agreed that the Parish Council would look into the matter.
- (f) Mr. Gaunt said that there was still no bridge on the footpath leading to Rolts Wood. It was agreed to write again to Wistow Parish Council.
- (g) The no cycling signs on the footpath leading through the Churchyard were not effectively positioned. It was agreed to write to the District Council concerning this as it was being used by motor cyclists.
- (h) It was reported that there was a dangerously large hole in the footpath by Mr. Racey's farm gate and another in the path between the allotments and Mr. Morris's house on Huntingdon Road. It was agreed to write to the District Council and ask for repairs to be carried out.
- (i) A question was raised concerning the jurisdiction the Parish Council had over private landowners who had felled trees. The Chairman said he would contact the District Council to see if they could do anything about the matter as it was not in the Parish Council's power.

7. Date and time of Annual Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, 24th April, 1980, at 7.30 p.m.

  
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Minutes and Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Upwood and The Havelays  
Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Upwood, on Thursday,  
24th April, 1980, at 7.30 p.m.

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Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. R. Scarr  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
Mr. N. Dunnage - District Councillor  
with Mrs. I. Agger and the  
Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence

None.

2. Minutes of meeting held on 3rd January, 1980

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd January, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Bentley Close Play Area

The Chairman said that the builder had looked at the wall and dismantled the part which was collapsing. The real trouble appeared to be water in the foundations and if the wall was re-built, the same thing would happen again. After some discussion it was agreed that further discussion would take place later in the meeting.

(b) Church Gate

The Chairman said that a meeting had been held to discuss the provision of a new church gate and various possibilities discussed. He said he had been asked to what extent the Parish Council would be able to help financial and he had said that he felt they would be as generous as they could. He confirmed that the matter had been left that the Parish Council agreed in principle to help financially.

(c) Dyke : Helen's Close

The Chairman read out a letter received from the District Council concerning maintenance and ownership of the dyke, in which it was stated that the maintenance was the responsibility of the various owners of the properties adjoining it.

(d) Housing at Upwood

The Chairman reported that a reply had been received from the District Council regretting that they had no plans in the next few years to build houses for rental in the village due to a reduction in finance which meant that the building programme for the district would be reduced.

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4. Minutes of the meeting held on 20th January, 1980.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th January, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising

None.

6. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th February, 1980.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13th February, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

7. Matters arising

None.

8. Minutes of the meeting held on 5th March, 1980.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th March, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

9. Matters arising

None.

10. Parish Council Action

The Chairman read out a letter from the Highways Division of the Cambridgeshire County Council in which it was stated:

- (a) The space between the barriers would be increased by nine inches.
- (b) The missing sign by the church gate would be replaced.
- (c) The potholes along Huntingdon Road would be attended to when the maintenance gang was in the area.

Tree Felling - The Chairman read out a letter from the Trees and Woodlands Officer which outlined the position. All farmers in the parish had been previously circulated with details of the grant scheme to replace felled trees.

Blocked and impassable footpaths : After some discussion it was felt that the matter should be kept under review.

11. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Mr. T. Gaunt proposed, seconded by Mr. R. Scarr that Mr. W. E. Johnson should be returned as Chairman. The voting was unanimously in favour. On resuming his seat the Chairman thanked all those who had helped with the Council's business over the last year.

Mr. R. Scarr proposed, seconded by Mr. D. Densham, that Mr. T. Gaunt should continue as Vice-Chairman. The voting was unanimously in favour.

12. Correspondence

Huntingdon District Council : Consultations with Town and Parish Councils. Circulated to all members.

Anglian Water Authority : Upwood Sewage. Mr. Gaunt said he had had a discussion with Mr. Coleman of AWA who had not appeared at all confident that the proposed improvements would take place

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in 1982. The AWA could not stop the District Council granting planning permission. After some discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council should write again to the AWA as it was felt that the current overloading was causing inefficient functioning of the purifying plant. It was to be hoped that AWA would provide some excess capacity for future development in the village.

Huntingdon Area Victims Support Scheme.

USAF Alconbury : Details of Air Show at Alconbury 16.8.60.

USAF Alconbury : Notification of Operational Readiness training 6th-9th May.

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Closure of Littleington Primary School.

Cambridgeshire Community Council : Early Warning of closure of village facilities.

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : The future of our association.

Countryside News and Views..

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Newsletters.

Road Signs - Franco Ltd. : Leaflet re litter bins

Bus Shelters (Wales) Ltd. : Leaflet

Council for the Protection of Rural England. After a short discussion it was agreed not to join.

Rural Life Change or Decay

Mrs. E. Ashby : state of cemetery path. The Chairman said that he and the Vice-Chairman had inspected the path and after discussion it was agreed to ask Mr. V. Edwards to make the path from the old cemetery more definite and to suggest that this was used instead of the path in question.

Eastern Electricity Board : Street Lighting Energy and Maintenance Charges.

Cambridgeshire County Council : Divisional Reorganisation.

Huntingdon District Council : Grants for Village Projects.

Upwood and Raveleys Pre-School Playgroup : Letter of thanks for recent donation.

Eastern Counties Omnibus Company : Letter of apology re moving of bus boarding point at Peterborough Bus Station.

Huntingdon District Council : Bulky Refuse Collection Service.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers :

A Review of Information and Advice Services in Cambridgeshire.

Tourism and the Village : Notice of conference to be held on 26.4.80. at Swaffham Prior.

Gerson : Grass Seed catalogue.

Eastern Electricity Board : Supply of cards to send in when defects in street lighting occur.

### 13. Cheques and Documents

Mrs. Wade	\ £200-00
FER	\ £167-09
AWA	\ 4-3/4
Mrs. Wade	\ 24-01
CAJC	\ 29-00
Mr. Toms	\ 16-48

Precept : £2,200

Exclusive right of burial \ Mrs. Gowler.

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14. Any other business

- (a) The Chairman said he had been approached by Mr. Nigel Gowler concerning the tenancy of Dock Field, rented from the Parish Council by his late father. It was agreed that the tenancy would be transferred to Mrs. Gowler and Mr. N. Gowler.
- (b) It was agreed that Mr. V. Edwards would be asked to continue to work in the cemetery and other places as necessary as he had done on the previous year.
- (c) The Chairman said that he felt it was necessary to review the wages of Mr. Toms, Mr. V. Edwards and the Clerk all of which had been fixed two years ago.

After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Toms' wages should be increased to £80 per annum and that the Chairman and Vice Chairman would have an on-site discussion with Mr. Toms concerning certain aspects of cemetery maintenance.

It was agreed that Mr. Edwards' fee would be discussed with him as he was not employed by the Parish Council and the Chairman would have the power to act as he saw fit.

In the absence of the clerk, it was agreed that the clerk's salary should be increased to £250 per annum with effect from 1st April, 1980.

(d) Street Lighting

The Chairman said he had not heard further from Mr. Rosamund and he would pursue the matter again as he felt that a decision must be made this year.

- (e) On returning to the question of the wall adjoining the Bentley Close play area it was agreed that the Chairman would try to sort the matter out. With regard to the question of water coming on to the road Mr. J. Walters offered to deal with the matter.

- (f) Planning Application No: 76H0589/80F  
Application by Mr. K. Walter to convert 25 and 25a High Street Upwood into Flats

Mr. Gaunt said he had seen Mr. Sargeant of the Planning Office. In principle the District Council had no objection although their representative had not yet visited the site in question. After considerable discussion it was felt that an objection should be made on the grounds that it would add a further load to the sewage system. A vote was taken and this was agreed by a majority of seven votes against the application.

- (g) Monday, 12th May, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. was agreed as the date for hearing the report from the Community Advisers. It had previously been agreed that this meeting would not be minuted.

15. Date and time of next meeting

Thursday, 3rd July, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

W. B. Johnson  
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Minutes and Proceedings of an additional meeting of the Parish Council  
held after the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday, 5th March, 1980.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mrs. S. Cousins  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
and the Clerk.

1. Cheques

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2. Date of Meeting to hear report from Community Advisers

It was agreed that as this would be a confidential report, it would not be minuted and a provisional date of 7th May, 1980, was arranged.

3. Planning Application 76M10261/800

Full planning permission for detached house and garage  
Church Lane, Upwood.

After considerable discussion it was unanimously agreed to approve this application subject to the dwelling being connected to the sewer and subject to the sewage Authority's agreement.

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Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall, Upwood on Thursday, 3rd July, 1980, at 7.30 p.m.

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Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. E. Edwards  
Mrs. N. Greasley  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. R. Scarr  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
Mr. N. Bunnage - District Councillor  
with Mrs. I. Agger and the  
Clerk

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mr. T. M. Gaunt

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 24th April, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Bentley Close Play Area

The Chairman read out a letter he had written to Mr. Bly on the 12th May concerning the condition of the wall and requesting the support of the District Council in dealing with the matter. A reply was received, dated 11th June in which it was stated that the developer had been informed that the wall, while partly demolished, was still a danger and that it would be inspected again. They regretted that they could not be involved further but would be glad to offer advice. The Chairman said that he replied to this letter on the 27th June stating that the wall was originally built on the instructions of the District Council and asked for their professional opinion on why the wall became unsafe. He said that to date no reply had been received.

It was felt that the matter should be left until a further reply had been received from the District Council.

In reply to an enquiry concerning the water on the road, Mr. Walters said that a meeting had been arranged with the Surveyor and Mr. Moxon.

(b) Dyke : Helen's Close

The Chairman said that he had turned up correspondence from his solicitors at the time he purchased his dwelling in Helen's Close which stated that the hedge and dyke at the rear of the property belonged to the adjoining property and that neither would be the responsibility of the owner of the property in Helen's Close. Mr. Bunnage said he would find out if this was the case.

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(c) Upwood Sewerage

The Chairman said that a letter had been received from the Anglian Water Authority dated 12th May in response to a query that the overloading of the sewer could lead to a danger to health owing to effluent not being satisfactorily purified. They confirmed that regular checks were made on the effluent discharges from the Upwood Sewage Treatment Works and no danger to health was created by the overloading on these works. They also confirmed that they had allocated design staff for this year to prepare plans for the Upwood scheme.

(d) Bridle Path

The Chairman said he had received a letter dated 12th May from Wistow Parish Council concerning the path and informing the Parish Council that the path had been inspected by the County Surveyor's Department and suggesting that Upwood Parish Council contact Mr. Speller of the County Surveyor's Department at Shire Hall. The Chairman confirmed that this had been done but no reply had yet been received. Mr. Walters said he would contact Mr. Speller to expedite the matter.

(e) Upwood Church Gate

The Chairman read out a letter received from the Parochial Church Council in which details were given of the proposed new Church gate - the total cost of which would be approximately £100-00. After a short discussion the Chairman proposed that the sum of £50-00 would be a suitable amount for the Parish Council to contribute towards the new gate. Mrs. Slote proposed that the Parochial Church Council should receive £50-00 from the Parish Council for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scarr and carried unanimously.

(f) Mr. V. Edwards

The Chairman reported that Mr. Edwards' fee had been discussed and was now £1-50 per hour.

4. Accounts for Financial Year 1979/80

The Clerk reported that the accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1980, had been audited and found correct.

5. Parish Planting Scheme 1980/81

The Chairman said that the number of trees offered had been increased to twenty-five. As the closing date for applications was not until the 3rd October, 1980, he asked members to consider the matter and offer suggestions at the September meeting.

6. Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils - increase in fees

The Chairman read out a circular from the Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils entitled 'The Future of our Association' in which it was stated that the Association would have to raise its fees by 50% if it were to survive. After a short discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would continue to support the Association.

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7. Correspondence

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Newsletter and notice of Transport Conference to be held on Thursday, 10th July in the Council Chamber at Shire Hall.  
Cambridgeshire Information and Advice Services Working Party : Report.  
United Counties Omnibus Company : In reply to the Parish Council's letter dated 17th June they regretted they were unable to make the suggested alteration to Service 232.  
Cambridgeshire County Council : Eastern Counties Bus Service Revisions.

8. Cheques and Documents

Eastern Electricity Board      £22-38  
V. G. Edwards                      £54-70

9. Eastern Electricity Board - upgrading of street lighting

The Chairman gave a brief review of the situation to date. He said a revised estimate had been requested from the Eastern Electricity Board but had not yet been received. He said that he felt a rough estimate would be approximately £1,500 for the conversion to sodium lighting - which the Parish Council could afford - plus the cost of additional lamps required which could possibly be £200-00 per lamp. After a short discussion it was felt that a special meeting should be called to discuss the estimate as soon as it was received as it was felt that the work should be put in hand before the coming winter.

10. Any other business

- (a) Planning Application 76H015/800  
Church Lane Upwood

The proposed development was for three building plots - outline planning permission. After a short discussion it was agreed that the application should not be supported as the Parish Council felt it could not agree to a further three dwellings being connected to the main sewer at the present time.

- (b) Planning Application H1040/800

Outline planning permission for one detached dwelling and garage on Huntingdon Road, Upwood. After a short discussion it was felt that the Parish Council could not accept the use of septic tanks as this would undermine their views on the current sewage problem.

- (c) Mr. McCarthy reported that there were three very bad potholes at the 'T' junction in Great Raveley. Mr. Walters said he would contact the Surveyor's Department the following day concerning this.

11. Date and Time of next meeting

Wednesday, 10th September, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in Upwood Village Hall.

*W. E. Johnson*  
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Minutes and Proceedings of a Special Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys  
Parish Council held on Monday, 21st July, 1980, at 7.00 p.m. in  
Upwood Village Hall

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Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mr. D. W. Densham  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mr. E. C. Edwards  
Mr. T. M. Gaunt  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. R. W. Scarr

2. EEB - Street Lighting Scheme

The Chairman briefly outlined the progress of the scheme to date and said that he felt the most acceptable scheme would be to re-grade the present lighting system by converting the lamps to sodium and the time switches to photo-electric cells. Sodium lamps would give three times as much light for half current consumed, and there would be a saving on maintenance because these lamps were more reliable. Furthermore, if this work was done the Parish Council could then transfer maintenance to the County Council if they so wished and although there would still be a need for payment, it could possibly be less than the Parish Council were currently paying the EEB.

The Chairman said the estimate for this scheme had been re-submitted by the EEB. The cost of converting each light would be £62-40, the total cost being £2246-40. In addition to this he said that the Lighting Committee had looked at points where additional lights would be advisable. These were:

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1. Road Junction - Great Raveley and main road.
2. High Street - between Helen's Close and the Village Hall.
3. Huntingdon Road - between the Fishing Rod Factory and the top of Meadow Lane.

For the erection of the three additional lights the EEB had quoted £495. They had not quoted for fixing these lights to cables as they needed a plan to show the exact position. The Chairman said he had estimated an additional £500 would be required for the connecting charges, thus making the total sum required £3241-40.

The Chairman then outlined the financial position. The Parish Council had £1805 towards the cost of the lighting. He said he had discussed the question of finance with the District Council but had been informed that there was no grant available for this type of work and had referred him to the Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils. He said he had spoken to the Secretary of the Association who had agreed that the Parish Council could borrow £1500 and a letter had been received confirming this. The Chairman said that it would take between two and three years to repay the loan.

Members then studied the plans, estimate and financial forecast.

In reply to a question from Mr. Walters the Chairman said a quotation would be obtained from the County Council for maintenance charges before any changeover in maintenance arrangements was made.

A vote was taken, resulting in a unanimous decision to go ahead with the lighting scheme.

It was agreed that the clerk would write confirming the Parish Council's acceptance of the quotation and that the Lighting Committee would now take any further action necessary on behalf of the Parish Council.

*W. G. Johnson*  
10.9.80

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Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Kaveleys Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall, Upwood, on Wednesday, 10th September, 1980, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mrs. S. Cousins  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mrs. H. Greasley  
Mr. R. Scarr  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters  
Mr. H. Dunnage : District Councillor  
with Mrs. I. Jagger and the  
Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. R. McCarthy

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Bentley Close Play Area

The Chairman said he had received a reply from the District Council concerning the wall. In their reply the District Council had said that following consultations on site, the developer had been requested to construct a new wall to the same specification with a deeper foundation and additional pillars. The work was to commence as soon as possible.

(b) Dyke at Helen's Close

Mr. Dunnage said that as far as he was aware the dyke should belong to him but there was nothing in writing, as far as he could ascertain, to confirm this.

(c) Bridle Path

The Chairman said he has spoken to Mr. Papworth about the Bridle Path but there were one or two issues involved if the Parish Council wished to pursue the matter further. Firstly, they would have to pursue the matter through the County Council. Mr. Speller of the County Council had requested the names of the landowners of the land adjoining the footpath and would then write to them concerning the re-instatement of the bridge. There was also the question of the footpath itself. The land was owned by Mr. R. Jiggins and Mr. M. Papworth. After some discussion it was agreed that a letter would be written to the Cambridgeshire County Council and the Parish Council would proceed, through the County Council, with the matter.

(d) Parish Planting Scheme

After some discussion it was felt that no trees should be ordered for 1980/81 as there were already a considerable number of young trees in the parish to maintain.

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(e) Planning Application

The Chairman said that a letter had been received from the District Council's Director of Planning stating that the Anglian Water Authority had not raised any objection on planning grounds to the proposed septic tank. The local Planning Authority would therefore welcome the support of the Parish Council for this application and their comments were requested.

The Chairman said there had also been another letter concerning the conversion of flats in the High Street in which it had been stated that the local Planning Authority had no objection in principle to the development.

After considerable discussion the Parish Council felt that there was an inconsistency in the Planning Authority's views on the use of that particular piece of land on Huntingdon Road. The Parish Council disagreed with the Anglian Water Authority's views on the proposed septic tank. The Parish Council felt that the sewage system is demonstrably overloaded at the present time in as much as the pump at the end of Helen's Close had failed to cope with the load on several occasions. It was agreed to write to the Planning Department accordingly.

4. Minutes of Special Meeting

The Minutes of the special meeting held on 3rd July, 1930, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising

The Chairman said that the service quotation had been received for the three additional lamps.

(a) Light at the Junction of Huntingdon Road Great Naveley

A lamp on the left-hand side of the road would cost £192 or a lamp on the north-west corner would cost £50. The Chairman said he had consulted Mr. Edwards about this and they both felt that this would be a satisfactory alternative with possibly a better placing of the light. This was approved.

(b) Light on Huntingdon Road

The Eastern Electricity Board had said that written permission in the form of wayleave would be required to pass through the land but the Chairman said that as this was the Parish Council's Allotment land, there would be no problem. The cost would be £92. This was approved.

(c) High Street, Upwood

A lamp placed on the east side of the High Street would cost £153. If the lamp were placed on the west side of the High Street (footpath side) and the overhanging tree lopped, the cost would be £113. It was agreed to ask for a final consultation on site before a final decision was made but it was generally accepted that the west side would be most suitable.

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6. Correspondence

Upwood PCC: letter of thanks for the Parish Council's contribution of £50 towards the cost of the new Church gate.

Huntingdon District Council : Parish Reviews.

Huntingdon Association of Local Councils : Conference on Planning : Notice.

Planning Application 76H1385/80F : Approved.

Eastern Electricity Board : Street Lighting Agreement.

Cruse Missiles

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Notice of Meeting.

News and Views

Best Kept Village : Competition Results

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils : Heavy Lorry Conference.

Cambridgeshire County Council : Alterations to Eastern Counties Bus Timetable.

7. Cheques/Documents

Anglian Water Authority 4-31

Royal Insurance Co. 23-85

Mr. Toms 33-01

Mr. V. Edwards 52-62

8. Any other business

It was reported that rubbish was being dumped in the Spinney in Upwood High Street. The Director of Technical Services would be informed.

9. Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 4th November, 1980, at 7.30 p.m.

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Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Doveleys Parish Council held on Tuesday, 4th November, 1980, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Upwood.

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Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman  
Miss F. Butler  
Mr. D. Densham  
Mr. E. Edwards  
Mr. T. Gaunt  
Mr. H. McCarthy  
Mr. A. Scarr  
with Mrs. I. Egger and the Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mrs. H. Gressley  
Mrs. O. Slote  
Mr. J. Walters

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th September, 1980, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Bentley Close Play Area - progress to date

The Chairman reported that the wall had been partly rebuilt and he hoped that this now left the way clear for the Parish Council to take over the Play Area as intended. It was agreed to ascertain if the District Council had inspected the wall.

(b) Bridle Path

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor's Department in which it was stated that when resources were available some simple form of ditch crossing would be provided.

(c) Street Lighting - progress to date

The Chairman said that this was being done although not all the lights were yet working. He said that the three new lights had been sited although they were not yet wired up. It was agreed that the Parish Council would ensure that all the lights were in correct working order before payment was made.

After some discussion it was also agreed that estimates for maintenance would be obtained from the Eastern Electricity Board and the County Council before a decision was made.

The Chairman said he would also make enquiries concerning the need to lop one or two trees which were obstructing the lights.

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4. Correspondence

Community Health Council : Annual Report 1979-80  
St. Ives Area Road Safety Committee  
Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils  
Countryside News and Views.

5. Cheques and Documents

EEB           ✓ 202-14  
Mr. Toms     ✓ 1-50  
EEB           ✓ 58-65  
Mr. Edwards ✓ 23-53

A discussion then took place concerning the estimates for the 1981/2 Financial Year when it was finally agreed to request the sum of £2,300.

6. Any other business

(a) Planning Application 75/1642/80F

This was in connection with extensive additions to the Manor House Rest Home.

After considerable discussion it was felt that the Parish Council could not support this application as it would put a considerable load on an already overloaded sewage. There was also the question of the windows in the new development overlooking the backs of the council houses in Ailwine Road.

- (b) Miss Butler asked if the road sweeper had been round of late as she had received several complaints concerning the quantity of leaves on the Church Corner. It was impossible to see the footpath. The Chairman said he would contact the Stilton Depot concerning this.

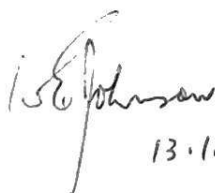
It was also agreed that the Chairman would deal with the matter of the briars growing over the path in Church Lane and in part of the High Street and which were a hazard to pedestrians.

- (c) The Clerk reported that an allotment was now vacant and it was agreed to put a notice on the Parish Notice Board.

Approval was given for the transfer of allotment 20 from Mr. T. Kempster to Mr. Peach.

7. Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 13th January, 1981, at 7.30 p.m. in Upwood Village Hall.

  
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