

Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys Parish Council held on Monday, 9th January 1984 at 7.30 p.m. in Upwood Village Hall

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. D. Densham
Mr. E. C. Edwards
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. H. McCarthy
Mr. J. Rignall
with Mrs. I. Agger
The Clerk
1 member of the General Public

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Mrs. A. Densham
Mr. T. Gaunt
P.C. B. Gibb
Mr. R. Scarr
Mrs. O. Slote

2. Minutes


The minutes of the meeting held on 7th November 1983 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

- (a) Seat - the matter was in abeyance until Mr. Gaunt could be present.
- (b) Vicarage Paddock - The Chairman reported that Mr. N. Gowler had done some work on the Paddock and Mr. Gowler gave a short report on the progress so far. A meeting of the Play Area Committee would be called in order to co-ordinate efforts. The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Mr. Gowler for his assistance.
- (c) Street Lighting Maintenance - The Chairman reported that he had now received a quotation from the Eastern Electricity Board for maintenance of street lighting. This would entail cleaning of lamps, normally carried out in September of each year if required for a cost of £48. Change of lamps on failure at £11-98 per time. They would attend to lamps out within 72 hours of notification - during the week this could be reduced to 48 hours. Small repairs would be carried out on a time and materials basis, larger repairs would consist of making safe - all major work to be authorised by the Parish Council.

After considerable discussion it was agreed to transfer to the Eastern Electricity Board Scheme at the end of the present contract.

Members present agreed that they would be responsible for reporting any breakdowns to the Eastern Electricity Board
Peterborough (0733) 231001 - Street Lighting

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- (d) Road - Great Raveley - The Chairman said that a letter had been written to the County Surveyor concerning the state of the road. A postcard acknowledgement had been received which was read out.

4. Play Area - Bye Laws

The Chairman outlined the position concerning the making of Bye Laws for the Play Areas. He then proceeded to read the proposed Model Bye Laws and after a short discussion it was agreed that these should be approved with the addition of the following items:

- (a) The exclusion of dogs other than guide dogs.
- (b) The prohibition of firearms and airguns.
- (c) The lighting of fires except where approved by the Parish Council.
- (d) The prohibition of the dumping of rubbish.

5. Cheques/Documents

Ailwyn Centre	£5-00	EEB - November	£33-14
Huntingdon Plant Hire	£228-50	Cambs C.C.	£169-12
Mr. E. W. Toms	£25-00	EEB - December	£33-14
Upwood Village Hall	£21-06	EEB - January	£33-14

6. Correspondence

Inter Village Sports Competition - Anyone wishing to organise teams to take part to contact the Chairman.
 Cambridgeshire Community Council - Village Venture Competition details
 Cambridgeshire Community Council - Community Care Network
 Anglian Water - Annual Report and Accounts
 Harvest
 Pages
 Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils - Newsletter and circulars
 Cambridge Junior Chamber - Inter Village Quiz - after a short discussion it was agreed to enter Upwood and The Raveleys for the draw.

7. Any other business

- (a) Emergency Planning Committee - a brief report on the progress of the Committee was given by Mr. D. Densham.
- (b) Local Bus Services - The Chairman said that he had been notified that Warboys Parish Council proposed to call a meeting of representatives of as many Parish Councils as possible in order to discuss the present situation. The meeting would be held on 24th January at Warboys Parish Centre at 7.00 p.m. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman should approach Mrs. Slote or Mr. Gaunt to see if they would be willing to attend.
- (c) Annual Parish Meeting - The Annual Parish Meeting would be held on 5th March 1984 and it was unanimously agreed to ask Mrs. A. Densham, District Councillor to be the guest speaker.
- (d) Parish Council Calendar 1984 - the dates of forthcoming Parish Council meetings were approved.
- (e) District Councillor - a short report from Mrs. Densham concerning her work as District Councillor was read by the Clerk.
- (f) Little Raveley Parish Notice Board - Mr. R. Hale very kindly offered to ensure that Parish Council notices were displayed on the board at Little Raveley and his offer was accepted with thanks.

W. Johnson
30.4.84.

Minutes and Proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting of Upwood and
The Raveleys held in Upwood Village Hall on Monday 5th March 1984
at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. D. Densham
Mr. T. Gaunt
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. J. Rignall
Mrs. O. Slote
with
Mrs. I. Agger
Mrs. A. Densham - District Councillor
P.C. B. Gibb
and the Clerk

16 members of the public were present

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. R. Scarr.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 7th March 1983
were read and confirmed.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the work of the Parish Council for the
past year covering the following topics:

Planning Application for the Methodist Chapel
Public Meeting re Bus Services
Completion of the renovation of the Chapel of Rest in the old cemetery
The erection of the village sign and the handing-over ceremony
Village Sports Competition
The Vicarage Paddock - obtaining the lease, cleaning, bye-laws,
formation of Play Area Committee, offers of help.
Newsletter contributions from September 1983
Great Raveley traffic/road
Provision of street lamp in Bentley Close
The Best Kept Village competition
Provision of litter bin for Bentley Close - request made to Huntingdon
District Council
Church corner seat
Bus Services - details of the public meeting held at Warboys, January 1984
Emergency Planning Committee

In conclusion the Chairman thanked all those who had assisted in the
work of the Parish Council in any way.

4. Village Reports

- (a) Over Sixties Club - Mr. Sylvester reported that the club had
had another busy and successful year with regular meetings,
public bingo session and several outings.
- (b) Womens' Institute - Mrs. Jean Noble, said that Upwood W. I. had
had a fairly successful year with a variety of interesting speakers
and outings. She appealed for more women to come forward
and swell the membership.



Playgroup - Mrs. Dobson had prepared the Playgroup report, which was read by Mrs. Noble. The past year had been a very satisfying one for the playgroup and the activities encouraged were many and varied. New equipment has been purchased and the children had enjoyed many visits to various places of interest and had also performed their own nativity play at Christmas. The numbers in the playgroup had swollen due to the influx of the American children living in quarters at RAF Upwood and there were nearly maximum numbers of children attending.

Upwood School - Mrs. Howell reported that there had been changes at the school, particularly in terms of staffing, interior decoration, exterior maintenance and some curriculum changes. A computer programmable drawing robot had been purchased with the help of the PTA. A new school information booklet was also being prepared. Support shown by parents was very strong and a number of very successful social events had been held. Extra-curricular activities increased and there had been visits to the school by various groups and individuals and various educational visits arranged for the pupils.

Cricket Club - It was reported that all weekend matches for the 1983 season had been cancelled due to lack of players although it had been possible to play the midweek matches. This would continue for the 1984 season also. An appeal was made for more players to come forward in order that the Club could continue to function.

P.C. B. Gibb - A variety of questions concerning road use, markings etc. were answered.

4. Development and Use of Parish Play Areas

The Chairman outlined the scope of the Parish Council's possible action in providing play areas and maintaining them. He said that if their full potential were to be developed then there would have to be a voluntary organisation inaugurated to do this. Conditions under which such an organisation would be able to obtain grants for the playing field were outlined and the Chairman offered to lend literature on the subject to any interested parties.

5. Any other business

It was reported that it was very difficult to walk along the path to the Village Stores which had been narrowed by overhanging trees.

A complaint was made concerning the increased amount of litter in the village which appeared to originate from Farm Close. After a short discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council should write to the Base Commander concerning the matter.

A complaint was made concerning the state of the telephone kiosk in the village which was filthy. It was agreed that the Parish Council should write to British Telecom concerning this.

It was reported that there was a large hole in the path to the school just past the bus stop which needed attention.

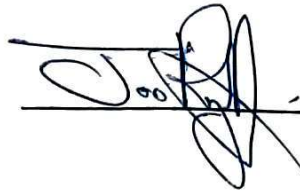
6. Mrs. A. Densham

At the end of the meeting the Chairman introduced the Guest Speaker, Mrs. A. Densham, District Councillor who gave an extremely interesting



talk on the 'Structure of the District Council and How it Functions'.

At the conclusion of her talk, Mrs. Densham answered questions from those present.

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Minutes and Proceedings of the Annual Parish Council Meeting
of Upwood and The Raveleys held on 30th April 1984 at 7.30 p.m.
in Upwood Village Hall.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. D. W. Densham
Mr. E. C. Edwards
Mr. T. M. Gaunt
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. H. McCarthy
Mr. R. Scarr
Mrs. O. Slote
Mr. J. Rignall
with:
P.C. B. Gibb
Mrs. A. Densham
and the Clerk

1 member of the general public was present.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs. I. Agger.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 1984 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Street Lighting Maintenance - the present contract was for a five-year period, therefore the changeover for maintenance could not be made until the end of that period.

(b) Byelaws - It was reported that the proposed byelaws had been finalised and had been sent to the Home Office for approval.

4. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Chairman - Mr. W. E. Johnson, proposed by Mr. D. W. Densham, seconded by Mr. T. Gaunt, carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman - Mr. D. W. Densham, proposed by Mr. T. Gaunt, seconded by Mrs. O. Slote, carried unanimously.

5. Parish Council Action

(a) Path to Village Stores - it was reported that the hedge had been clipped. It was agreed that the Chairman would see the owners of the property.

(b) Litter - Farm Close - it was decided to raise the matter informally at the forthcoming meeting at RAF Alconbury.

(c) Telephone Kiosk - It was agreed that the Chairman would consult Mr. Shaw.

6. Seat

Mr. Gaunt gave details of the seats and the final selection was:

All steel 6ft @ £125 plus carriage
Timber slats (Macemain) 6ft @ £156
Traditional Teak Model Mendip by Geebro Lister @ £155
Traditional Teak Model Warwick by Geebro Lister @ £143

After considerable discussion a vote was taken and it was agreed to purchase the Mendip model seat by Geebro Lister. Mr. Gaunt would make the necessary arrangements.

7. Village Hall

(a) Grant for capital expenses - the Chairman reminded members present of the details of the money spent on the Village Hall, totalling approximately £700 and the accounts were examined. After considerable discussion Mr. Densham proposed that the Parish Council should defer their decision concerning the giving of a grant to Village Hall Committee pending further contact with that Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. N. Gowler and was carried.

(b) Election of Parish Council Member to Village Hall Committee - Mr. Gaunt proposed that Mr. Densham should be elected as Parish Council representative. Mr. Densham said he would be willing to undertake the attending of meetings but would be unable to undertake any extraneous duties.

8. Presentation of Emergency Plan

Mr. Densham reported that Mr. Elliott had been unable to get the plan duplicated but it would be ready for the next Parish Council meeting.

9. Invitation to visit USAF Alconbury

It was agreed that the following would attend:
The Chairman, Mr. D. Densham, Mr. T. Gaunt, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. R. Scarr. Dates to be suggested were:
15th, 17th, 22nd 24th May, 5th, 7th, 12th, 14th June

10. Play Areas and Grass Cutting

The Chairman reported that the Play Area Committee had met on 9th April. Its recommendations were that the Parish Council should put both areas into the hands of contractors.
Bentley Close Play area - regular mowing
Vicarage Paddock - entrance to be cleared and finally seeded, the paddock to be flail mowed and then regularly gang mowed.

Estimates had been obtained from two contractors:

Wellbourn Sportgrounds:

Bentley Close - cutting @ £13 per cut

Vicarage Paddock entrance £405 including seeding

Vicarage Paddock - cutting - 4 flail mowings @£85-50 each

8 gang mowings @ £38 each



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Tylers:
Bentley Close and Vicarage Paddock = 8 cuts @ £45 per cut
Vicarage Paddock entrance £300
Vicarage Paddock - initial fall mowing - 2 cuts @ £150

Totals for 1984:

Initial work: Tyler £810 Wellbourn £984
Subsequent years assuming same figures:
Tyler £360 Wellbourn £408

After considerable discussion it was agreed that the Play Area Committee's recommendations be supported and the work should be put in hand as soon as possible. The motion was proposed by Mr. T. Gaunt, seconded by Mr. D. Densham and was carried.

Mr. T. Gaunt proposed, seconded by Mr. N. Gowler, that the lowest tender should be accepted. The motion was carried.

The Chairman said he had spoken to Mr. Admans concerning the proposed arrangements and he would ask Mr. Admans to arrange to cut the grass at the corner of Farm Close. Mr. V. Edwards had agreed to cut the grass around the Village sign.

The Chairman said that after the Vicarage Paddock area had been put in order, fencing etc. would be done and appropriate notices would be put up.

11. Correspondence

CALC - Carpet Bowls Sports Council Trust
St. Ivo Recreation Centre - Inter Villages Competition 1984
USAF News Release
Cambridge Junior Chamber - County Challenge
CALC - Newsletter
Mr. M. Gillespie
Cambridgeshire Village Venture Competition details
Community Care Network - leaflet
CAB - Leaflet
AWA - Report 1983
Harvest

12. Cheques/Documents

Cambs C.C.	£128-00	Public Works Loan Board	£133-13
Mr. W. E. Johnson	9-49	EEB February	33-14
Mr. N. Gowler	13-80	EEB March	33-14
Mrs. W. Wade	103-75	Mrs. Wade	42-89
Jolliffe Andrew Ashwell	51-54	Shaw and Sons	1-68
EEB April	33-74	Mr. Toms	25-00
CALC	46-65	Cambs C.C.	36-22

Exclusive right of burial: Mrs. F. R. Parsons

13. Any other business

Allotment markers - The Chairman reported that these were now in place. There were two vacant plots which should be cultivated and were not. It was agreed that Mr. W. Taylor should be asked to spary them. Mr. Gowler said that there had been some queries re the siting of the pegs and it was agreed that all such queries should be dealt with by the Chairman.

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Mrs. Densham reported that she was now Huntingdon District Council representative on the advisory council of the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust.

Mr. Gaunt said he had received complaints concerning a smell over the village coming from the back of the airfield. The matter would be taken up by Mrs. Densham.

Mr. Piquall raised the matter of the provision of a seat at Beutley Close Play Area.

W. E. Johnson
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Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Havelays Parish Council
held on Monday, 2nd July, 1984 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. D. Densham
Mr. I. Edwards
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. H. McCarthy
Mr. J. Rignall
Mr. R. Scarr
Mrs. O. Slote
with:
Mrs. A. Densham - District Councillor
Mrs. I. Agger
The Clerk
1 member of the general public.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. E. Edwards and Mr. T. Gaunt.

2. Minutes

An additional item was added to the minutes concerning the provision of a seat at Bentley Close Play area at the request of Mr. J. Rignall. The minutes were then confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

- (a) Telephone Kiosk - it was agreed to get clarification from British Telecom as to who was responsible for cleaning it.
- (b) Grass cutting - The Chairman confirmed that the work had now been put in hand with Tylers.
- (c) Village Hall - The Chairman reported that he had met with the Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee who had said that the Committee felt they should keep as good a balance as they could. The matter of a grant was left that unless the Parish Council now decided to make a payment, should it be necessary for the Committee to pay out a large sum on some capital work, they would ask beforehand. After a short discussion it was agreed that matters should be left as they were.
- (d) Visit to USAF Alconbury - The Chairman said that the visit took place on 7th June 1984 and great friendliness and hospitality were shown. It was emphasised that direct contact with the USAF would be welcome.
- (e) Seat - The Chairman said that the seat had been delivered and Mr. V. Edwards would concrete and bolt it down as soon as he was able.

4. Audit of Accounts

The Clerk reported that the accounts for the financial year 1983/4 had been audited and were in order.

5. Footpaths

The Chairman said that a definitive map of footpaths had been received from the County Council. The Parish Council had also been approached informally by a member of Ramsey Town Council to see if the Parish Council would discuss footpaths common to both. A letter from Ramsey Town Council was awaited.

Two leaflets had also been obtained from the Ramblers' Association.

The Chairman asked members if they would be interested in setting up a rights of way committee which would have the job of checking where footpaths should be, checking on problems, possibly undertaking some clearance work etc.

After a considerable and full discussion, Mr. J. Rignall proposed, seconded by Mr. D. Densham that a rights of way committee be set up. The proposal was carried. It was agreed to elect three members of the Parish Council with the option of co-opting two non-Parish Council members. Those elected to the committee were: Mr. N. Gowler, Mr. J. Rignall and Mrs. Ol Slote.

After a further short discussion, it was agreed that the committee should be known as the Footpaths Committee.

A question was raised concerning the possibility of the Committee having more than three Parish Councillors as members and it was finally agreed that the Committee would meet and would report back at the next Parish Council meeting to decide whether or not they wanted to expand or co-opt or to do both.

6. Presentation of Emergency Plan

Mr. D. Densham presented the Emergency Plan to the Parish Council on behalf of the Emergency Planning Committee. He pointed out that there were one or two appendices which were not given out for security reasons. Each member of the Parish Council received a copy for discussion at the next meeting.

7. U.S. Forces - Offer of Community Help

The Chairman explained that this offer came from the NCOs in training at Upwood who would like to do something to help the community. Various projects had been suggested and it had been finally settled that they would clear the triangle at the Ramsey Road/Luntingdon Road junction for which purpose certain items of tools had been purchased by the Chairman for which approval was given. About half the area had been cleared so far and the Chairman said he would be pleased to hear from anyone willing to remove the grass already cut as the NCOs were unable to do this. The second project was to offer help with cutting grass and tidying gardens for those elderly people in the village who had no means of getting this work done. The Chairman had been in touch with the Chairman of the Over Sixties Club and had been given a list of names.

8. Correspondence

Cambridgeshire County Council - Tree Planting.

After a short discussion it was agreed that the trees at Farm Close corner should be checked to see if all were still surviving and that members would look round to see if there were any areas in the parish where trees could be planted.

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9. Cheques and Documents

Cornhill Insurance	58-95	EEB (May)	33-74
Audit Commission	74-75	Mr. Toms (petrol)	3-62
Flowers	35-88	Green Bros.	211-49
EEB (June)	33-74	Anglian Water	12-50
Mr. Toms (Salary/petrol)	26-80	Readwell	4-58
Mrs. Wade	50-00	Mr. V. Edwards	142-60

10. Any other business

- (a) Mr. McCarthy reported that the Great Raveley road through to Woodwalton had many very dangerous potholes. It was agreed to contact the County Surveyor again concerning this.
- (b) It was reported that the grass on the Huntingdon Road verge was very high.
- (c) Mrs. Slote asked if goal posts could be erected on the Bentley Close Play Area at no expense to the Parish Council. It was agreed that the question of liability for equipment on play areas should be checked, but otherwise there was no objection.
- (d) The Chairman reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Male of Little Raveley concerning certain matters and that he would discuss the letter with Mr. Male.
- (e) Mrs. Densham reported that the smell from the airfield which had been the source of complaints would no longer cause a nuisance as the contract for dumping the material had not been renewed.
- (f) Mr. Scarr reported that the High Street sign at the bottom of Meadow Road had a concrete post broken.
- (g) Mr. Rignall reported that the re-appearance of the ACE garage sign which was now attached to the roof of a parked car was being investigated by the Planning Department. Mrs. Densham said that Planning permission had to be obtained for all signs except property for sale signs. There was some discussion concerning signs and Mr. Scarr suggested that official clarification should be sought from the Planning Department of the District Council. This was agreed.
- (h) Miss Butler raised the question of the proposed cremation area in the new cemetery. It was agreed to put this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

W. E. Johnson
3.9.84.

Minutes and Proceedings of a Meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys Parish Council
held on Monday, 3rd September 1984, in Upwood Village Hall.

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. D. Densham
Mr. T. Gaunt
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. J. Rignall
Mr. R. Scarr
Mrs. O. Slote
with
Mrs. I. Agger
Mrs. A. Densham - District Councillor
P.C. B. Gibb
and the Clerk.

Two members of the general public were present.

1. Apologies

Mr. E. Edwards, Mr. H. McCarthy.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 1984 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

(a) Telephone Kiosk

The Chairman had been in contact with the people concerned. The kiosk was being cleaned by a contractor and would be painted in next month or two and a new mechanism would eventually be installed. The removal of the graffiti from the windows was not possible as they were made of a plastic material. The Chairman said that he felt the Parish Council had done all that they could in this matter.

(b) Visit to USAF Alconbury

The Chairman reported that he had received a further invitation to inspect the aircraft at RAF Alconbury on 27th September 1984.

(c) Seat

Mr. Gaunt reported that Mr. Edwards hoped to be able to erect the seat within the next week or so.

(d) Trees

The Chairman reported that the trees at Farm Close corner had been checked and were still thriving. There were no further suggestions put forward for possible tree planting for the Autumn.

(e) Great Raveley Road

It was reported that some work had been carried out.



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- (f) It was reported that no reply had been received from the Planning Authority concerning road signs. Mrs. Densham said that ACE Garage had applied for planning permission for a sign. She said that she felt that there was hardship in this case as a great many people were otherwise unaware of the existence of the garage.

4. Footpaths Committee

Mr. Rignall reported that the councillors had met and had decided to co-opt Mr. T. Gaunt onto the committee. The committee had deliberated all areas of complaint - basically two. The complaint from the land owner had been satisfactorily dealt with and he would now obtain waymarking signs from the District Council. With regard to the second complaint regarding footpaths, it was felt that although there were several valid points, that the matter would be better referred to the Cambridgeshire County Council for their appropriate action. After considerable discussion it was unanimously agreed that this should be done.

5. Emergency Plan

The Emergency Plan had been studied by members of the Council. One or two points were raised and discussed. It was proposed by Mr. R. Scarr and seconded by Mr. T. Gaunt that the plan should be accepted by the Council. This was agreed unanimously.

It was also agreed that a copy of the plan should be sent to Mr. Bushell, County Emergency Planning Officer.

6. Precept

The Chairman said that the Precept had remained fairly constant but he felt that in order to cover the cost of certain fixed expenses such as the mowing of the play areas, etc. the sum of £3,500 should be requested for 1985/86. This was agreed unanimously.

7. Cheques and Documents

Cambridgeshire County Council	131-40
Eastern Electricity (July)	33-74
Public Works Loan Board	126-50
Steward's Hardware	28-31
Royal Insurance	25-00
Eastern Electricity (August/September)	67-48
J. H. B. North	6-31
Cambridgeshire County Council	51-17
Mr. E. Toms	5-42
Upwood Village Hall	29-35

8. Correspondence

Huntingdon District Council - Stubble Burning Byelaws.

Cambridgeshire Countryside Working Party - questionnaire - Survey on Landscape Change. After a short discussion it was agreed that the Chairman should complete the questionnaire and return it to the Commission.

Working together - Huntingdon style - conference details.

Mr. J. Edwards - termination of allotment tenancy.

Bury Residents Association - Old Tyme Musical Hall

Planning Application - additional housing at RAF Upwood. Mr. Rignall said he felt that the number of houses proposed represented a dilution of

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Planning Application - additional housing at RAF Upwood for USAF personnel. It was generally felt that the number of houses proposed represented a dilution of the population. A short discussion followed and it was unanimously agreed to oppose the application on the grounds of (i) population increase, (ii) Highway problems (iii) It was felt that the servicemen concerned should not be placed at such a distance from Alconbury.

Home Office - re proposed Byelaws. It was agreed that the Play Area Committee would discuss this at a separate meeting, then present the amended Byelaws for the approval of the Parish Council.

9. Cemetery

It was agreed to carry this item forward to the next meeting.

10. Salary/Wages Review

After a short discussion it was agreed that salaries/wages should be increased by 5% with effect from 1st April 1984.

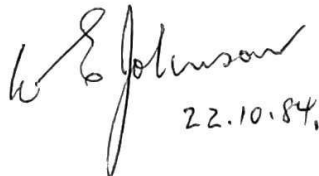
11. Any other business

It was reported that the damaged lamp post at the top of Ailwin Road would be repaired during the coming week.

Complaints were received concerning dogs and after a short discussion the Chairman said he would write to those concerned once details were provided.

Mr. Densham asked whether he had been accepted as a representative on the Village Hall Committee as he had heard nothing. The Chairman said he would ask Mr. Andrew Perkins, Committee Chairman.

Mr. Gaunt reported that rubbish had been deposited at the entrance to the Vicarage Paddock Play area by an American civilian. This matter had now been dealt with.


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A meeting of Upwood and The Raveleys Parish Council was held on Monday, 22nd October 1984 at 7.30 p.m. in Upwood Village Hall

Present: Mr. W. E. Johnson - Chairman
Miss F. Butler
Mr. E. Edwards
Mr. I. Edwards
Mr. T. Gaunt
Mr. N. Gowler
Mr. H. McCarthy
Mr. J. Rignall
Mr. R. Scarr
Mrs. O. Slote
with
The Clerk
Mrs. A. Densham - District Councillor
Mrs. I. Agger
Two members of the general public.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. D. Densham.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 1984 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising

- (a) It was reported that four members had visited RAF Alconbury on 27th September and thanks had been sent to Colonel Foley and Squadron Leader Nelson.
- (b) It was reported that the seat was now in position.
- (c) It was reported that the lamp post in Huntingdon Road had now been replaced and the damaged post removed. This would be the subject of an insurance claim.
- (d) It was reported that a letter had been written to one dog owner concerning the nuisance and another letter would also be written. A general note would also be inserted in the next edition of the Church newsletter.
- (e) It was reported that Mr. Densham had been accepted as the Parish Council representative on the Village Hall Committee and had attended one meeting.

4. Planning Application - Residential Development - RAF Upwood

A letter was read out from the Director of Planning in which it was requested that the Parish Council give further consideration to their objections.

The matter was then discussed and the following conclusions were reached:

In respect of paragraph one of the letter it was felt that the initial impact was one of increased traffic. It was also felt that this would affect Upwood as much as Bury and Ramsey.

It was felt that paragraph two was of information value only.

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In respect of paragraph three, the Council felt that the roads were already busier with traffic. The condition of the roads in places were already bad. It was reported that the medical people would be working at the clinic which would also increase the amount of traffic. It was also reported that cars were left on the roadside when they were out of petrol, often for some length of time. It was also felt that this development could lead to other American development.

The District Councillor said she would speak on behalf of the Parish Council at the next meeting of the Planning Department of the District Council.

It was agreed to reply to the Director of Planning embodying the above points.

5. Cemetery : Cremation area

Two proposed layouts were discussed.

Mr. Scarr proposed, seconded by Mr. Gaunt, that part of the new cemetery should be set aside for the burial of cremated remains.

Mr. Scarr proposed, seconded by Mr. Rignall, that the individual plots should be marked by a tablet or vase up to the dimensions specified, or left unmarked.

Both motions were carried.

6. Village Hall : appeal for grant

A letter had been received from the Village Hall Committee requesting financial assistance for the re-decoration of the bar room, the cost of which was estimated at £300.

The matter was discussed and Mr. Scarr proposed, seconded by Mr. Rignall, that a grant be ^{considered} made by the Parish Council on the condition that the Parish Council were presented with the full accounts on completion of the work of the money spent, the Parish Council to be kept informed and the Trustees to be kept informed of the financial situation of the Village Hall and the Trustees always to be provided with a copy of the minutes of the meetings. This was carried.

7. Play Areas

It was reported that a meeting of the Play Area Committee had been held on 10th September and the following matters discussed:

- (a) The fixing and siting of a lockable gate of vehicle width together with an entrance for pedestrians up to the width of a pram/wheelchair.
- (b) The matter of the provision of a seat at Bentley Close had been discussed and Mr. Gaunt was making further enquiries.
- (c) Litter bins - The Chairman had contacted Mr. Leonard at the District Council and as there was a public right of way through Bentley Close the District Council would provide a litter bin. They would also provide litter bins for the Vicarage Paddock including the fixing on a concrete base for the sum of £27 per bin. The bin at Bentley Close would be automatically emptied by the refuse collectors but it would be necessary for

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someone to take the bags from the Vicarage Paddock bins to the Huntingdon Road for collection.

- (d) In respect of the entrance from Ailwine Road, it was reported that a letter had been written to the District Council and a representative had inspected the proposed site and had spoken to some of the residents of Ailwine Road who had not been in favour of having an entrance for the play area near their houses.

Mrs. Densham offered to take the matter up on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was reported that a letter had been received from the Headmaster of Upwood School who had shown interest in the site as a facility for the village children and he had visited the site in company with the Chairman.

It was reported that a letter had been received from the Mother and Toddlers Group asking if they could give any help. The Chairman had met the group on 4th October and had suggested that they try to get together a group of about ten people who would form the nucleus of a Play Association and the Parish Council would then convene an open meeting.

This was agreed.

8. Byelaws

The draft byelaws had now been approved by the Home Office and a copy was given to each member of the Council for perusal. It was agreed that should any member have any queries concerning them, that he should contact the Chairman by Friday 26th October 1984. The byelaws would then be signed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and returned to the Home Office.

It was reported that a branch of one of the poplar trees in the Vicarage Paddock was almost on the ground. It was agreed to attend to this.

It was also reported that a motorbike had been driven in the Vicarage Paddock.

9. Footpaths

The Chairman referred members to Item 4, second section of the minutes of 3rd September 1984.

He outlined his reservations concerning this particular action and summarised his discussions since 3rd September with Mr. Rignall of the Footpaths Committee.

At their most recent meeting, the decision of the Footpaths Committee had remained unchanged and a letter had been sent to the County Council informing them that the Parish Council had this matter in hand and requesting confirmation of a telephonic suggestion that the Parish Council should negotiate with landowners in the first instance.

It was also pointed out that Warboys Parish Council were proceeding on the lines of consultation and negotiation with landowners, one footpath having been re-opened and another in process.

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The matter had also come under general discussion at a meeting of the C.A.L.C. held in June 1984 when it was revealed that the County Council budget in respect of footpaths was very small.

In conclusion the Chairman said he felt that the goodwill towards the Parish Council could be in jeopardy and advised that the resolution should be rescinded and matters left in abeyance for a few months.

The Footpaths Committee felt that such an action was undemocratic.

The matter was then discussed again very thoroughly and at the conclusion, the decision made by the Footpaths Committee remained unchanged.

Mr. Gaunt resigned as a member of the Footpaths Committee.

10. Parish Council Calendar 1985

The calendar of meetings for 1985 was distributed.

11. Correspondence

USAF Alconbury - Night flying until late next Spring.
Huntingdon Health Authority - transport to Hinchingbrooke Hospital.
Cambridgeshire Countryside Advisory Working Party.

12. Cheques and Documents

Cambridgeshire County Council	138-45
Jolliffe Andrew & Ashwell	62-50
EEB (October)	33-74
Mr. Toms	55-00
Mr. V. Edwards	3-36
Cambridgeshire County Council	185-66

Exclusive right of burial certificate - Mrs. G. King

13. Any other business

Thanks had been sent to Colonel Foley for community work done.

A complaint had been received from a Little Raveley resident concerning the shortage of pressure in the water supply at Little Raveley. It was agreed to write to the Anglian Water Authority in support.

It was reported that a resident in Meadow Road had been seen emptying a wheelbarrow into the dyke opposite his bungalow. Mr. Rignall offered to deal with the matter.

It was reported that the path in the High Street was in very poor condition in parts.

It was reported that there was a broken manhole cover in the path opposite the Chapel and a protruding manhole cover in Ailwine Road.

The question of sufficient inlets in Church Lane where building was taking place was raised.

It was agreed that these matters should be taken up with the District Surveyor.

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It was also reported that part of the main Huntingdon Road from Kingsland to Mr. Scarr's field was collapsing.

It was reported that Mr. A. Dean would replace the posts on the broken sign at the bottom of the High Street as soon as these were received.

It was reported that there were the remains of a bonfire on the old part of the cemetery.

W. E. Johnson
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