

15th January '16

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held at the School on the above date

Present

Messrs J. Joyce Thomas (Chairman), A. Hitchcock, G. Duddy, A. Smith, F.H. Keeble, Dr. Hoggman, & the Clerk per hoc.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read confirmed & signed

Business
of
Agreements

A letter was read suggesting that certain steps might be taken by the allotment holders in view of the present state of the country as regards the prospect of food supply. No steps were taken in this matter.

District
Council

A Report was read from the District Council regarding the attendance of the Tatesfield Representative. Mr T Vincent were as follows:-
Council meetings 12 attendances out of a possible 14.

Guardians 22 out of a possible 26.
The Chairman expressed what he believed was the Parish Council's view - that Mr Vincent's efforts were praiseworthy.

Footpaths

A Report from the footpaths committee was deferred till next meeting.

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Bills for
Payment

Proposed by Mr Hitchcock seconded
by Mr Smith - that the following ap. be
paid

House & Highgate allotment Bills £2.
Museum Premiums £1-1-6

Sam Joseph Thomas

Chairman

20. April . 16 .

19 April '16
Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting
held at the School on 19 April '16
Mr S Joseph Thomas presiding. Amongst
those present were the Revd R. G.
Ropham M. T. Vincent (D. Curmulla)
A. Hitchcock E. Duddy & about twenty
parishmen & the Clerk for last

The minutes of the previous Annual
Meeting were read. Congratulated & complimented

The Chairman referred to the year
- hoped before long they would be
rejoicing in an honorable peace
They had been to do very little for
the village on account of the war
but he did not want them to imagine
that they were not as anxious as
hitherto to have some slight record
of progress in the parish. With
reference to Finance the Rates were

Minutes of
Premium Meeting

See above

of the Account

were down 3 in the £. During 1913 14-15
 they has only spent £5. on parish expenses,
 On the General ac there was a balance
 of £4.5-7; highing £6.17.2.; no allotments
 1908. He had received a petition
 signed by most of the influential re-
 sidents with regard to the erection of
 finger-posts. It would receive their
 careful consideration, though it was
 a matter for the Dist' Council, & he felt
 sure their Dist' Councillor would do his
 best to get it through. He thanked the
 Revd Popham for letting the Voluntary
 Training Corps have the use of the Institute,
 & hoped the residents would extend
 a welcome to the members at Easter.
 He has pleasure in handing prizes
 to the following allotment holders:-
 Messrs J. Mullin, J. Crane, T. Rucker, W.
 Tapscott & W. Neale.

Dist'
 Councillor

M. T. Vincent (Dist' Councillor) then
 addressed the meeting & referred to the
 efforts made with reference to improving
 certain dangerous corners & expressed
 the hope that after the war of having
 them taken in hand. The widening
 of Lister Lane from White Lane to
 the entrance of the village he also hoped
 to see carried out & White Lane itself. He
 complimented Mr Crookes on the condition
 of the main roads which he thought
 compared favourably with any road
 of the County. Efforts had been made

To reduce the 18% Interest Guarantee by the West India Co but without success with regard to the judges posts he would do his best to get them created.

Presented to
Mr Browne

The C. Man said that he had an exceedingly pleasant duty to perform. They had the Dist. Council Mr G. B. Brown that night; The members of the Parish Council had the highest opinion of the work he carried out not only in the parish but in the district. They were particularly indebted to him in respect of services rendered in connection with the three new roads by: Squire, Leveson & Pynesfull & in appreciation of his labours they felt they would like to present him with a letter of commendation in the name of their name he had pleasure in handing him a silver value inscribed "Presented to G. B. Brown Esq. in recognition of services rendered by him under the Parish Street Works Act 1872"

Mr Brown thanked the Chairman & members for the handsome gift & said that he highly appreciated their kindness. - It was seldom that a gift was made to a public official was his first personal experience of such a thing

was
Committee

The Revd Popham said that the funds of £14.9.0 of the War Committee had been handed over

to the Red Cross Society & their sub-committee has now closed down. He also asked that repairs might be effected to the foot-path between the church & Westerbarn, which the Chairman promised should be attended to

Thanks to the Chairman & District Councillors were accorded
Ernest Duddy
March 30th 1917

20 April 1916

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Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read & confirmed & signed

Next present

Mr. Joseph Thomas (Chairman) Mr. Duddy, A. Hitchcock, A. Smith, Dr. Hodgman, F. H. Keeble & the Clerk, Jas. Cook.

Election

of
Chairman

With Dr. Hodgman presiding. Mr. Duddy proposed that Mr. Joseph Thomas be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year. This was seconded by Mr. A. Smith.
Carried Unanimously

Election

of
Committee

It was agreed to re-appoint all the sub-committees as elected last year. With the exception that Mr. Smith declined to act on the Sanitary Committee

Mr Ward was appointed in his place

Mr J Ward

Mr Duddy drew attention to the continued absence of Mr Ward from the Council Meetings & the clerk was instructed to write asking Mr Ward if he wished to continue his Membership of the Parish Council

Meeting

It was agreed to hold the Council Meetings this year once in six weeks

Plots of Land

The Chairman reminded the Council that there were several plots of land in the parish the owners of which were not known & after discussion it was considered advisable to have a ground plan at the Council Meeting & endeavour to fix the plot ownership

Petition
Foot post.
Imp. post

The petition with regard to sign-posts was referred to the Foot paths Committee for consideration the post

Alloshant

The following applications for allotments were referred to the allotment Com. with who granted them:-
No 25 to Mr J Martin
No 11 to Jas S Bourne

Treasurer

Parish Council

Mr T H Waterfield wrote tendering his resignation of the Treasuryship this season Mr R. T yard wrote offering his services

Resolved to accept the offer
of Mr Tizard & the clerk was instructed
to write accordingly

Sam Joyce Thomas
Chairman
1.6.16.

1st June 1916. ^{Committee}
Minutes of Parish meeting held at the school on the
above date.

sent S. Joyce Thomas (in the Chair), Councillors Hitchcock,
Hoffman & Smith; J. Scott (clerk).

Minutes of meeting held 20 April 1916 read & confirmed.
Ward. Mr. Scott to write directing attention of Mr. Ward to his
continued absence from the meetings of the Committee
and asking him whether he was able and willing to
continue to act as Councillor.

57 Agreed that in future the item Report of Committees
should appear in the Agenda.

47 Report of football Committee received and adopted
as amended.

Report of footpath Committee (no 2) as to greens received
and adopted.

request Proposed by Mr. Hitchcock and seconded by Mr.
Hoffman that the following cheque be signed
Rev. B. G. Ropham 5/4 (hire of schoolroom) Hoolker Bros
3/- stationery. Carried unanimously.

G. B. Notice as to revision of registers & assistant master
salary adjourned for consideration by Overseers and
their report.

Sam Joyce Thomas
Chairman
14 July 1916

The Chairman (1)

The footpaths
Com. recommend placing
finger posts & repainting others
as follows :-

- New finger Post at bottom
of Pollsteep Hill with indication
to Tatsfield
- To Biggin Hill
- ~~To~~ Little Lane

The Chairman (2)

The footpaths
Com. consider it is desirable
to have control of the Tatsfield
Greens.

Signed
A Smith (Chairman)
A Hitchcock

at the office
Clerk was H. Hitchcock

Sam Joyce Thomas
Chairman
1.6.16.

Chairman Hitchcock
(Clerk).

in 1916 read & approved.
Chairman of the Ward to his
meetings of the Council
was able and willing to

Report of Committee

received and adopted

(no 2) as to greens received

and received by Dr.

cheque to signed
(schoolroom) Hoolker Bros

assistant minister
by Ormsland

Sam Joyce Thomas
Chairman

14 July 1916

14th July 1916.

minutes of a Parish Council meeting held at the school on the above date.

Present

S. Joyce Thomas in the Chair; Councillors Hitchcock, Hoffman, Keeble, Smith and W. Scott (absent).

minutes

minutes of meeting held 1st June 1916 read & approved.

Resignation of Mr. Ward

Letter from Mr. J. Ward resigning his post as Parish Councillor read.

Letter from Mr. Head stating that the District Council was not in favor of handing over the green road.

Vacancy

Proposed by Mr. Hitchcock & seconded by Mr. Hoffman that Mr. Ward's resignation be accepted ^{with regret} and his seat declared vacant.

Mr. Hitchcock gives notice to proceed to the co-opting of a new member in place of Mr. Ward at the next meeting.

Greens.

Mr. Hitchcock's motion agreed that the District Council be asked to state their reasons for refusing to hand over the charge of Totopeld and Wistram Green to the Parish Council.

Income Tax on Allotments

Notice of Assessment for Income Tax on Allotments read. The Clerk instructs to communicate with the Surveyor of Taxes.

Rate of allotment payment. £21

On the motion of Mr. Keeble, seconded by Mr. Hoffman agreed that a cheque in payment of rate for allotments be signed. Motion & high bye £20.00

Stiles.

Mr. Keeble draws attention to condition of stiles from Mr. Vincent Wood to Mr. Lighters and also by Mr. West and moves that the owners or occupiers be called upon to mend them. The motion not finding a seconder was not put to the meeting.

L.G.B.

Notice as to revision of register & assistant assessors salary also read for report of assessors.

Mr. Smith draws attention to the narrowness of road at bottom of Beckell's Hill. Mr. Hoffman agrees to see Mr. Steward with

the view of obtaining his consent to giving the necessary land.

H. D. Hoffmann. Vice Chairman.

28th September 1916

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Present

Worshipful Mr H. D. Hoffmann (Chairman)
& Mr D. G. A. Hitchcock & the
Clerk J. G. Smith

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed & signed.

The
Greens

The District Council Clerk wrote acknowledging receipt of the Parish Council's letter asking for reasons for a refusal of transfer of the Greens power to the Parish Council & saying it would be laid before the District Council.

Resignation
Mr Smith

Mr A. Smith wrote tendering his resignation as Treasurer of the Parish Council as he had now joined the Royal Navy.

It was decided, in view of the conditions, that Mr Smith's resignation of Councilorship be not accepted for the present.

His resignation of the Treasurership was accepted & the Clerk was instructed to write Mr Smith expressing the thanks.

Nurses
appointment

Of the Council for his service
On the proposal of Mr Duddy
seconded by Mr Hitchcock Mr A J Walsh
Taylor was appointed Nurse in place
of Mr A Smith.

Election
of
Council

On the proposal of Mr Duddy.
seconded by Mr Hitchcock it was
agreed to ask Mr Vincent to fill
the vacancy on the Council caused
by the resignation of Mr J Wood

Alotment
Fencing

Mr Lockyer writes that the
fencing by his allotment was in a
bad condition & that cattle in the
neighbouring fields had destroyed
some of his crops.

Ricketts
Hill

The Clerk was instructed to write
the occupiers of the field to prevent
his cattle damaging the allotments.
Dr Hodgman reported that Dr
Sherard would give the necessary
land for the widening of the road
where necessary at Ricketts Hill on con-
dition that he could see the surveyor
& that the fencing was made good by
the Dist Council. The Clerk
was instructed to write the surveyor
such a view to getting the work
taken in hand.

Est Dues
Salary

The Clerk was instructed to thank
Mr Smith (the Care overseer) for his
views on the matter of the Est Dues
Salary discussed at the last meeting
also to ask the local Joint Road Com
dealing with the matter

J. P. Hodgman
Secy. Council