

The minutes of the Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Tuesday **22 March 1960** at 7.30pm.

Minutes of the last meeting held on 11 March 1959 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr T Rowlatt.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that he was still in correspondence with the Post Office and had now received a definite promise that the box would be changed in the near future.

The Chairman also reported that the County Council Surveyor attended most promptly to the request for a path to the telephone kiosk and had agreed to the suggestion for "Road Flooded" notices. The Surveyor had also promised to attend to School Lane trees and road.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by Mr Thorpe and seconded by Mr Cross.

Mr P Penn was re-elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mr N Mobbs and seconded by Mr Howes.

Gas Inspectors

These were re-elected as last year.

Allotment Committee

These were re-elected as last year.

Accounts

The accounts were presented by the Chairman, found correct and duly signed. Permission was granted for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept to the Brixworth RDC.

Other Business

The Chairman was requested to once again write to the County Council Surveyor pointing out that the road to Walgrave had still not been widened and ask that this should now be carried out as promised. At the same time to call the attention of the Surveyor to the Churchyard wall.

The Chairman was also requested to contact the Northamptonshire Fire Brigade regarding the lack of fire hydrants on the main Northampton – Kettering road where this runs through the Parish.

In closing the meeting the Chairman said how pleased he was that, for the first time for many years, there were ladies present at our Parish Meeting and thanked them for attending.

The minutes of the Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Wednesday **12 April 1961** at 7.30pm.

Minutes of the last meeting held on 22 March 1960 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that the Post Box had now been installed. The Chairman reported that the work on the Walgrave Road had still not been carried out. The Meeting requested that a further letter should be sent to the Surveyor stressing the urgency of the matter.

A letter from the Northamptonshire Fire Brigade was read to the Meeting. The Meeting agreed that the information given was entirely satisfactory and a letter of appreciation should be sent in reply.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by N Mobbs and seconded by Mr S Cross.

Mr P Penn was re-elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mr T Rowlatt and seconded by Mr S Cross.

Gas Inspectors

These were re-elected as last year.

Allotment Committee

These were re-elected as last year.

Accounts

The accounts were presented by the Chairman, found correct and duly signed. Permission was granted for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept to the Brixworth RDC.

Other Business

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the street lighting. Mr Rowlatt proposed that the existing street lamp in School Lane should be moved to a position opposite to the telephone kiosk. This proposition was not supported. It was then proposed by Mr N Mobbs, seconded by Mr P Howes that the Chairman should contact the EMGB requesting them to submit a quotation for moving the lamp further along School Lane and an additional lamp to be placed adjacent to the telephone kiosk. It was further agreed that there should be an early meeting of the Gas Inspectors.

It was also agreed that the Chairman should write to Brixworth RDC requesting that some action be taken about the dangerous and derelict buildings in Hannington.

The Meeting passed a vote of thanks to Mr P Penn for clearing up the piece of land in front of the Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting with thanks to all those attending and saying how pleased he was that the ladies had again been present.

The minutes of a special Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on **24 July 1961** at 7.30pm.

Minutes of the last meeting held on 12 April 1961 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman. The Chairman stated that this was a special meeting to consider the question of street lighting.

The Chairman recalled that at the last Parish Meeting it was decided to increase the number of street lamps and a quotation has been received from EMGB amounting to the sum of £50-2-8. It was also reported that the annual charge would be £11-15-6 per lamp.

In view of these very high charges your Gas Inspectors had approach the electricity board to obtain an alternative quotation. The EMEB quotation for the installation of five wall brackets would be £46-5-0 with an annual charge of £3-18-0 per lamp.

The Chairman requested the meeting to make any comments on this information. After a long discussion it was finally decided that the Gas Board should be asked immediately remove the existing lights, and that the Electricity Board be asked to install four wall brackets and two lamp standards, which the Chairman considered would cost approximately £100. It was also agreed that the Chairman was authorised to agree final positions with the Electricity Board and to accept their quotation provided it was approximately about £100.

The minutes of a special Meeting of the Parish, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on **8 January 1962** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the last meeting held on 24 July 1961 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Apologies were received from Mr P Penn and Mr T Rowlatt.

Present – Mr & Mrs Cox, Mr & Mrs Cross, Mr Howes, Mr N Mobbs, Mr & Mrs W Mobbs, Mr Moore, Mrs Riley.

Street Lighting

The Chairman, Mr JR Soans, stated that this had now been installed at the quoted price of £90-7-0 and asked the members present for their comments. All the comments were very favourable and it was generally agreed that these were now quite acceptable for the village and a big improvement on the previous lights.

A letter was read from EMEB dated 3 January 1962 pointing out that in accordance with their quotation for all lamps lit from half an hour after sunset until 11pm, there would be an increase in the annual charge from £3-18-0 to £4-3-4 per lamp. The meeting agreed that the lamps should continue to be extinguished at 11pm.

Precept

The Chairman stated that the EMEB had agreed to accept payment for the installation of lighting spread over two years. The charge for the year would therefore be £45-3-6 plus the annual charge of £3-18-0 for each of the six lamps, which together with the cost of the audit stamp, postages etc meant a charge on the rates of £71-0-0. It was proposed by Mr Cox, seconded by Mr Cross that permission be granted to the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept to Brixworth RDC for the sum of £71-0-0. This was agreed unanimously.

Any Other Business

A discussion took place regarding the Hannington – Walgrave road during which the Chairman reported that this project had again been cancelled. The meeting requested the Chairman to write a strong letter of protest. The Chairman was also requested to contact the District Surveyor regarding the dangerous state of the high wall in School Lane.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Wednesday **18 April 1962** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the special meeting held on 8 January 1962 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that the precept for £71-0-0 has been issued and received and that the first payment for the installation of street lighting had been paid.

The Chairman also reported that a letter had been received from the County Council stating that the Hannington – Walgrave road would now be widened as soon as the necessary land had been purchased. The Chairman stated that this was Church land and the Hannington PCC had agreed to give this to the County Council so that the work could proceed.

It was also reported that the dangerous high wall in School Lane had been partly demolished.

Present

Mr JR Soans in the Chair, the Vice Chairman Mr P Penn, Miss Bennie, Mr R Brown, Mr H Clarke, Mr & Mrs P Cox, Mr & Mrs S Cross, Mr P Howes, Mr W Mobbs, Mr & Mrs F Moore, Mr N Mobbs, Mr T Rowlatt and Mrs W Riley.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by Mr N Mobbs and seconded by Mrs S Cross.

Mr P Penn was re-elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mrs F Moore and seconded by Mr P Howes.

Gas Inspectors

It was decided that it was no longer necessary to appoint these inspectors and it was agreed that if one of the lights failed to light, the matter should be reported to the Chairman.

Allotment Committee

It was proposed by Mr P Cox and seconded by Mr W Mobbs that the members be re-elected. The members are Mr JR Soans, Mr PR Penn, Mr T Rowlatt, Mr P Howes, Mr N Mobbs, Mr F Moore. It was reported that there were three pieces of ground that were not being used.

There was no other business.

The minutes of a special Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Monday, **11 February 1963** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 18 April 1962 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that at last the County Council had commenced work on the Hannington – Walgrave road.

Present

Mr JR Soans in the Chair, the Vice Chairman Mr P Penn, Mrs P Cox, Mr & Mrs S Cross, Mr W Mobbs, Mr & Mrs F Moore, Mrs P Penn, Mrs W Riley, Mrs JR Soans, Mr D Soans, Mr R Soans and Mr E Thorpe.

Correspondence

The Chairman read a letter from the Northamptonshire Rural Community Council concerning the Tidiest Village Competition 1963. After some discussion it was proposed by Mrs Cox, seconded by Mrs Soans that the village should enter this competition. This was carried by 8 votes to 5 against.

The Chairman read a letter from the Brixworth RDC regarding review of District Councils and Rural Parishes, after discussion it was unanimously agreed that there should be no alteration to the Parish of Hannington.

A letter from the Freedom From Hunger Campaign was read and it was decided to organise a house to house collection. Mrs Riley and Mrs Soans to be responsible for this collection.

Precept

The Chairman stated that the remainder of the cost for the installation of electric street lighting was now due and requested permission to issue a precept. It was proposed by Mrs Riley and seconded by Mrs Soans that permission be granted for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept on the Brixworth Rural District Council for the sum of £80-0-0. This was unanimously carried.

Any Other Business

A discussion took place regarding the state of the village in general and the Chairman was requested to contact the County Council regarding the very narrow road by the Church wall and the poor state of the old chapel to ascertain if anything could be done to improve these sites. It was also agreed that Mr Moore and Mr D Soans would be responsible for improving the notice board. It was also agreed that the landlord of the Red House Inn be approached regarding the dangerous car parking in front of the Inn.

The date of the Annual Meeting was fixed for Monday 18 March 1963.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Monday **18 March 1963** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the special meeting held on 11 February 1963 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman informed the meeting that the village had entered the competition for the Tidiest Village 1963 and notices to this effect had been posted upon the Board.

A letter was read from the County Surveyor regarding the very narrow road by the Church wall and it was noted that there was little hope of this work being carried out in the near future.

The Chairman stated that there was nothing further to report at the present time regarding the old chapel, the notice board or the Red House Inn car park.

Present

Mr JR Soans in the Chair, the Vice Chairman Mr P Penn, Mr R Brown, Mr P Cox, Mr Heathcote, Mr P Howes, Mr N Mobbs, Mr W Mobbs, Mr & Mrs F Moore, Mrs W Riley, Mr T Rowlatt, Mr D Soans, Mrs Soans, Mr R Soans and Mr & Mrs E Thorpe.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by Mr T Rowlatt and seconded by Mr E Thorpe.

Mr P Penn was re-elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mr N Mobbs and seconded by Mrs NM Soans.

Allotment Committee

It was proposed by Mr W Mobbs, seconded Mr P Cox that the Allotment Committee be re-elected as last year. This was carried.

Bridle Road

Mr E Thorpe raised the question of vehicles using the Bridle Road between the village and Sywell Wood. After discussion the Chairman was requested to write to the County Surveyor asking for suitable signs to be erected at the entrance to the Bridle Road in Hannington.

There was no other business.

The minutes of a Special Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Thursday, **22 August 1963** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18 March 1963 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that the village had received in total 80 marks out of 100 in the "Tidy Village" Competition.

It was reported that the owner of the old chapel had now died and it was agreed that his executors should be approached.

It was reported that the notice board has now been finished and the meeting's most grateful thanks were expressed to Mr F Moore.

The Chairman was instructed to write once again to Messrs Phipps Northampton Brewery Co regarding the car park for the Red House.

The Chairman reported that a "No Road" sign had been erected in the village at the entrance to the Bridle Road. It was agreed that this met the wishes of the meeting.

The meeting was very annoyed at the long delay in the completion of the allotment on the Walgrave Road. It was proposed and unanimously agreed that the Chairman should write to the County Surveyor in the strongest terms.

Present

Mr JR Soans in the Chair, Mr M Barritt, Mr & Mrs Cartwright, Mrs H Clarke, Mr & Mrs P Cox, Mr Heathcote, Mr Howes, Mrs G Middleton, Mr & Mrs W Mobbs, Mr & Mrs F Moore, Mrs Riley, Mr & Mrs Rowlatt, Mrs SOans and Mr D Soans.

Correspondence

The Chairman read a letter from the Northants County Council regarding the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act and the Public Rights of Way in Hannington. It was agreed that no additional parks were required but that the bridle road CT3 should be opened up for public use.

A letter from the Northants County Council was read concerning the welfare of older people and it was agreed that due to the very small number of old people that it was unnecessary to form a committee. It was agreed that the representative for the village should be Mr Peter Cox.

Village Hall

The Chairman gave a comprehensive review of the negotiations that had taken place between the owners of the Village Hall and the Village Hall Committee and the offer by the owners to sell this property freehold for the sum

of £500. It was reported that there was a strong possibility that a 50% grant could be obtained and that the Committee already had £200 towards the purchase price.

After discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Hall should be purchased for the sum of £500 and every effort made to obtain a grant.

Any other Business

The attention of the meeting was drawn to the unsafe condition of the wall in School Lane and the Chairman was asked to report the matter to Brixworth RDC.

There was no further business.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Monday **19 March 1964** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the special meeting held on 22 August 1963 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported on the present situation regarding the old chapel. It was agreed to take no further action at the present time.

The meeting agreed that the car park at the Red House was completely satisfactory.

The Chairman was instructed to once again write to the County Council urging a very early completion to the allotment on the Walgrave Road and to take whatever action was necessary to enable this land to be used.

The meeting agreed that the stone wall in School Lane was no longer dangerous.

The chairman reported that the bridle way CT3 had not yet been opened to the public and it was agreed a further letter should be sent to the County Council.

Present

Mr JR Soans in the Chair, supported by the Vice Chairman Mr P Penn, Mr M Barritt, Mr R Brown, Mr L Austin, Mr & Mrs P Cox, Mr Heathcote, Mr P Howes, Mr N Mobbs, Mr W Mobbs, Mr & Mrs F Moore, Mrs Riley, Mr J Smith, Mrs N Soans, Mr D Soans, Mr A Wheeler and Mr E Thorpe.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the County Council regarding the signposting of paths in the Parish for ramblers. It was agreed that there were no suitable footpaths needing signs.

A letter was read concerning the Northamptonshire Tidiest Village Competition 1964 and it was agreed that Hannington should enter this competition.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by Mr P Penn and seconded by Mr N Mobbs.

Mr P Penn was re-elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mrs P Cox and seconded by Mrs JR Soans.

Allotment Committee

It was proposed by Mr JR Soans and seconded Mr P Cox that the Allotment Committee be re-elected as last year.

Precept

The Chairman stated that as far as could be ascertained the only expenses likely to be occurred during the coming year were the cost of street lighting and the audit stamp. It was proposed by Mr N Mobbs, seconded Mr E Thorpe that permission be given to the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept on the Brixworth RDC for the sum of £27. This was carried unanimously.

Any Other Business

Complaints were made concerning the damage to the grass verge on the Walgrave Road, the muddy state of Red House Lane and the narrow width of Bridle Road. It was agreed that the Chairman should write to Brixworth RDC calling their attention to these items.

Village Hall

The Chairman gave details of the present day position regarding the purchase of this by the Village Hall Committee. The meeting agreed that it would support an effort to raise funds to carry out the necessary improvements once the Hall had been purchased.

It was agreed to explore the possibility of holding a Steam Traction Engine Rally on August Monday. Should it be possible for this to be held a special village meeting to be called to organise this event.

There was no other business.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Hannington on Friday **12 March 1965** at 7.30pm.

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 1964 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that he had discussed the question of the County Council supplying a suitable of top soil to the allotment on the Walgrave Road with no success and that the Council has not been at all co-operative in this matter. It was agreed that there was no use in taking any further action.

It was reported that Brixworth RDC had agreed to open up the bridle road CT3.

The Chairman reported that he had contacted Brixworth RDC regarding the various improvements in the village and received a promise that these would be investigated and if money available would be carried out.

It was also reported that due to other organisations having already booked the dates, it was not possible to hold a Steam Traction Engine Rally in 1964.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Northamptonshire Rural Community Council requesting that Hannington entered the Tidiest Village Competition 1965. This was agreed.

Election of Officers

Mr JR Soans was re-elected Chairman – proposed by Mr W Mobbs and seconded by Mr N Mobbs.

Mr A Cox was elected Vice Chairman - proposed by Mr T Rowlatt and seconded by Mr W Mobbs.

Allotment Committee

It was proposed by Mr N Mobbs, seconded Mr T Rowlatt that the Committee should be re-elected with the substitution of Mr P Cox instead of Mr P Penn.

Precept

The Chairman stated that the only expenses this year would be the cost of street lighting and the audit stamp. It was proposed by Mr T Rowlatt, seconded Mrs Riley that permission be given to the Chairman and Vice Chairman to issue a precept on the Brixworth RDC for the sum of £28. This was carried unanimously.

Any Other Business

The Chairman was requested to again request that the part of the Red House Lane in the village should have the soft verge made good.

The Chairman reported that the Village Hall had now been purchased and that plans were well advanced for enlarging and improving the Hall. This would cost in the region of £2,000 and that a Steam Traction Engine Rally would take place at Grange Farm on July 17 1965 to raise money and trusted that everyone in the village would help.

There was no other business.

It was agreed that Mr A Cox should sign with the Chairman all cheques on behalf of the meeting.