



## **Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on; 23rd November 1954**

These Minutes were originally hand written and have been copied into this document reflecting the way the Minutes would have been presented in 2010. The original Minutes can be viewed upon request of the Clerk. Any significant changes from the original, including explanatory comments, are shown in square brackets.

### **Attendance**

Mr W. Aves	Councillor	Present
Mr E. Cole	Councillor	Present
Mr A. J. Housden	Chairman	Present
Mr R. A. Smith	Councillor	Present
Mr R. B. Wood	Vice Chairman	Present
Mrs E. E. Bendall	Clerk	Present

### **1. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed as correct.

### **2. Bus Services and Pumps**

The Clerk read a letter from the Clerk of NRDC saying that the observations regarding bus services and the unused village pumps had been placed before the appropriate committees and that a communication would be received in due course.

The Clerk also stated that although removed from the village, the Rev M F Williams remained on the NRDC until his retirement in May 1955.

### **3. Deed of Pits**

The Clerk further reported that she had written to Swaffham Prior PC asking for the deeds of the property of the Pits and also for the quarter's rent due from April 1st to June 24th. No reply had so far been received.

### **4. Letting of Pits**

A letter was received from Mr R Smith, the present tenant, stating that his present lease had expired and that he would like to renew the lease for 3 years at the present rent of £2.10.0 per year. it was proposed by Mr Wood and seconded by Mr Cole and passed unanimously that this be accepted and pending an agreement it was suggested that possibly the end of the year could be adjusted to end on March 31st 1955 instead of June 24th 1955. A letter to this effect was to be sent to Mr r Smith.

## **5. Burial Ground**

A reply had been received from Mr R Whitehead stating that although very unwilling, he would be prepared to sell a piece of ground at the back of the existing cemetery and of the same size at a price of £40. As the council felt this would be better than the previous piece of ground offered, the Clerk was asked to write to the Chapel Authorities to ask if there would be any objection to the present roadway being used in the event of the Burial Ground being purchased at the back of the present ground.

Further communication could then be sent to the County Planning Officer.

## **6. Allotments**

With reference to a letter sent by the Clerk to Mr Howells, Clerk to the Trustees of local charities, a verbal message had been received stating that the Trustees consisted of five members of Swaffham Prior Parish Council and there was at present one representative from the village of Reach. As the allotments are in the newly formed Parish of Reach it was decided that a letter of enquiry should be sent to the Trustee Commission in London in order that the present legal position could be clearly defined.

## **7. Road Complaints**

Before the meeting closed it was decided that a letter should be sent to NRDC concerning the bad state of the road from Delph End to Barston Bridge. Mr Cole had received complaints that the road was unfit for cyclists and that as ratepayers, those who lived in this part of Reach considered there should be considerably more service from the roadmen.

The meeting was then closed.

**Signed by:** A. J Housden

**Dated:** February 8th 1955