

Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on; 1st July 1977

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 Ray Folkes	Councillor	Present
Mrs Joyce Harrison	Councillor	Present
Mr Harvey Harrison	Councillor	Present
Mr Rodney Housden	Vice Chairman	Present
Mr Albert Johnson	Chairman	Present
Mrs Alison Housden	Clerk	Present

Mrs Margaret Cook District Councillor Present
Mr Geoffrey Woollard County Councillor Not Present

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

2. The Horse Dock

The letter received from Dr Moseley was read out to the meeting and it was decided to refer this matter to Mr Poole at East Cambs District Council.

3. Van Dwellers

A long discussion took place with regard to the two letters received from the Councils concerning Van Dwellers who had parked on the outskirts of Reach. Councillor Mrs Cook said that ECDC and Forest Heath were hoping to combine a small site for these people. It was agreed that this matter should be taken up with our County Councillor. A letter is to be sent to him stating that the CC has not fulfilled their responsibilities. It is 10 years ago since the Act was passed and still nothing has been done about providing these people with a site.

4. Standpipe

A letter is to be sent to the A. W. A. Asking if the standpipe on the edge of the Green can be turned off

5. Newmarket Fringe Plan

The Parish Council have made the following comments concerning the Newmarket Fringe Local Plan. A good idea the suggested leisure and lorry parks. Encourage industrial site along the Exning Road therefore keeping the centre of Newmarket free from heavy lorries.

6. Planning Applications

The Council support Mr Reg Hills application to park a caravan in Great Lane. He has lived all his life in Reach and the Council feel he should have his remaining years left living in the village. As the old people's bungalows are not to be built at present this seems the best solution.

Eastern Electricity rebuilding of overhead line - no comments.

A letter is to be sent to to Eastern Electricity stating that should ever they reintroduce their amenity scheme can they bear Reach in mind. Also the GPO is to be contacted with regard to putting their telephone wires underground.

7. Trees

Eight of last year's trees are to be replaced. A paragraph is to be put in Out of Reach asking for villagers to suggest possible sites.

8. Swings

The Clerk was asked to phone Mr Macaulay at Swaffham Prior with a view to obtaining the address of the firm that repairs swings.

9. Donation

A further £1 has been donated towards the cemetery fund.

Cheques

The following cheques were authorised and signed. Mr Reed £12, Rates £6.54, Local Association of Councils £8.78p.

Mr Harrison reported to the meeting that he had attended a school manager's meeting at Swaffham Prior. Mrs Jones is to stay a further 12 months then her position would be re-examined.

Jubilee celebrations are to take place at Ely on July 12th.

11. Grass Cutting

Complaints have been made about the state of the long grass about the village. The PC are not prepared to cut the grass and a suggestion was made that when next precepting the Council allow for a local person to cut the verges but this would mean an increase in the rates.

12. Allotments

The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Martindale of the Cambridge Association of Councils with regard to Swaffham Prior taking all the income from the allotments at Reach.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Signed by: A W Johnson

Dated: 30th September 1977