



## Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on; 9th April 1980

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	Not Present
Mr Harvey Harrison	Councillor	Present
Mr Rodney Housden	Vice Chairman	Present
Mr Albert Johnson	Chairman	Present
Mrs M Evans	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. Seats for Bus Shelters

It was agreed that Mr Harrison should go ahead and buy the necessary materials for the seats.

### 3. Street Lighting

The County Council has now completed the conversion of its own lights and a letter explained that the remaining seven Parish lights would be converted shortly. As maintenance by the County Council (at a cost of £8.50 per annum per light) is to commence in April 1980 it was decided to terminate the maintenance agreement with the Eastern Electricity Board.

### 4. Local Transport

As some changes are still being made to the services – a copy of the up to date timetable and information will be displayed in the Post Office.

### 5. Tree Preservation

The District Council had sent a copy of the tree preservation order to keep the trees lining the Burwell Road where the land is to be sold for house building. Mrs Cook reminded the Council that it was possible to apply for a tree preservation order at any time if the Council thought it necessary.

### 6. Planning Applications

Plans to build two houses at 32 Great Lane (No: E/0172/80/D) and plans for alterations to White Roses (E/0233/80/LB) had been circulated – and no objections raised.

## **7. Future of Post Offices**

In his reply to the Council's letter Mr Martindale (Sec. of Cambs Assoc. of Local Councils) explained that because of the action of so many Parish Councils and other bodies the government had now decided not to proceed with the recommendation without further consultation.

## **8. Cheques**

The following cheques were authorised and signed.

Eastern Electricity	£28.43	
Water Rates to AWA (for Burial Ground)		£10.03

## **9. Burial Ground**

The perennial problem of the maintenance of the burial ground was again discussed. It was suggested that, after clearing the ground initially with voluntary effort it might be possible to advertise for help and offer an appropriate salary.

## **10. Civil Defence**

When the volunteers from the Parish Council had completed the series of lectures on civil defence in the event of a nuclear attack, it was proposed that the available material might be collected together and possibly reported in the village magazine.

As there was no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

**Signed by:** A W Johnson

**Dated:** 7<sup>th</sup> May 1980