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Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

At the Quarterly Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the National school on **Friday 15th February 1924** at 7pm.

Present: Rev. H. Kitchener (in the Chair).

Messrs John Key, W. Sinclair, W. M. Scarr, A. H. Ingle, F. Townsend, J. Gaunt.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Chairman referred to the death of Councillor the late Mr. W. G. Thompson, whose passing would be felt by the whole of the neighbourhood, the Council desires to record it's appreciation of the late Mr. Thompson's services upon this Council, and the great loss sustained by the Parish.

Overseer.

It was proposed by Mr. Ingle, seconded by Mr. Scarr that Mr. W. Curtis (Farmer) be appointed Overseer, the office being vacant by the death of Mr. W. G. Thompson. Carried.

It was resolved that Mr. W. Curtis be appointed to fill the casual vacancy upon the Council through the death of the late Mr. W. G. Thompson, and that the Chairman fill the office as Treasurer to the Council.

Vacant Allotments.

The Council proceeded to draw for the vacant allotments which resulted as follows:

Late W. Kennell	to	Hugh Shant
Late D. Tye	to	William Gowler

Constables.

A precept from the Justices of the Petty Sessional Division of Ramsey was laid before the Council, when it was Resolved the undermentioned persons are nominated to serve as Parish Constables.

Gaunt, Harry	Labourer
Lambert, William	Labourer
Butler, William	Coal Merchant & Carter
Woodward, Ernest	Labourer
Llantaff, Fred'k W.	Grocer & Baker
Gaunt, John	Labourer

Parish Hedges.

It was resolved that the work of trimming the Parish Hedges be given to George Smith Shelton under the superintendence of Mr. J. Gaunt.

Mr. Jacobs Fence.

The Chairman reported upon the dilapidated state of the fence abutting the property occupied by Mr. Jacobs the latter being under the impression that the Gate & Fence at the street end belonged to the Parish Council. The Chairman also read correspondence he had had with the Rev. W. O'Farrell Hughes which elicited the information that it was an open lane and the Fence did not belong to the Council.

Mr. Mossendew's Fence.

The attention of the Council was called to the unsatisfactory construction of a Fence put up by Mr. Noel Mossendew upon his property, alongside the public footpath, as a division Fence between him and Mr. J. Gaunt's property.

Resolved that the Clerk write to Mr. Mossendew pointing out that the Fence was dangerous to pedestrians who have a right of footpath alongside it, and that the barbed wire must be taken down at once, and the Fence moved back a reasonable distance from the footpath.

School Board Manager.

Resolved that Mr. W. M. Scarr be appointed a representative Manager upon the School Board.

West's Charity Trustee.

Resolved that Mr. John Key be appointed a Trustee of the Charity known as West's Charity.

Gravel.

Proposed by Mr. W. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Scarr that two loads of Gravel be purchased for the paths in the Parish. Carried.

Accounts.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid and cheques were drawn:

		£	s	d
Vernon, J. E.	Quit Rent	1	0	9
Villar & Co.	Tithe	2	13	10
Radway, A	11 Common Rights	1	13	0
Palmer & Son	Stationery		9	8
Tibbitts, J.	- Ditto-		6	0
Parish Rates			1	4
Sinclair, E.	1 Common Right		3	0
Hughes, Rev.	-Ditto-		3	0
Summers, F.	-Ditto-		3	0
Clarke, F. A.	-Ditto-		3	0
Speechley, W.	Superintending Well		2	6

Signed: H. Kitchener



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

At the Annual Meeting of the Upwood Parish Council, held **Tuesday April 8th 1924** in the National School.

Present: Rev. H. Kitchener M. A. in the Chair.

Messrs. John Key, A. H. Ingle, W. Curtis, W. Sinclair, W. M. Scarr, J. Gaunt.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Accounts.

A statement of the Accounts with the Receipts and Payments Books for the year ending 31st March 1924 were inspected, signed and allowed on the proposition of Mr. J. H. Key seconded by Mr. J. Gaunt. Carried.

Chairman.

It was unanimously resolved that the Rev. Kitchener be Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Proposed by Mr. W. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Gaunt.

Overseers.

It was unanimously resolved that the Rev. H. Kitchener and Mr. W. Curtis be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year, and that Mr. T. Greenwood being appointed Clerk and Assistant Overseer.

Cesspool.

A letter was read from the Clerk to the Rural District Council with reference to the unsatisfactory drainage of the new Council Houses, because there are no arrangements in force for the emptying of the cesspool, and suggesting that if the Council lay a sewer, the expense would have to be paid out of a Special Sanitary Rate leviable in the Parish.

An alternative scheme was discussed which appeared to be a remedy, that was to block up the present outlet into dyke by roadside and appoint a scavenger to empty cesspool 2 or 3 times a year. It was proposed by Mr. W. Curtis, seconded by Mr. W. M. Scarr that the latter scheme be adopted, and that Mr. John Gaunt be appointed to do the work at the sum of £2 per annum, and that the R. D. Council be asked to approve of the arrangement. Carried unanimously.

Accounts.

It was resolved that the following accounts be passed for payment:

		£	s	d
Lord De Ramsey	Rent	12	10	0
Clerk	Stamps & Postage		10	0
Shelton, G. S.	Trimming Hedges	2	13	0
Slack, Mr.	Room for Meetings (to Date)		10	0

Signed: H. Kitchener.



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

At the Quarterly Meeting of the Upwood Parish Council, held on **Tuesday the 29th day of July 1924** at the National School Room.

Present: Rev. H. Kitchener (in the Chair).

Messrs. J. Key, A. H. Ingle, J. Gaunt, W. Sinclair, F. Townsend.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence.

A letter was read from Mrs Sarah Jones with reference to 3 Common Rights for the year 1919, and enclosing a cheque value 9/- drawn by the Council on the 15th January 1920 in payment thereof, which cheque had apparently been mislaid, uncashed and asking that the late Chairman (Mr. G. Thompson) would obtain payment on her behalf.

It was resolved on the proposition of Mr. J. Gaunt, seconded by Mr. A. H. Ingle that a fresh cheque be drawn and paid to Mrs. Jones for the Common Rights due for the year 1919, amounting to 9/-.

Accounts.

It was resolved that Mr. Sinclair's account £1.7.6 for a new gate to Allotment Field be paid.

Payment of the undermentioned accounts were confirmed:

Cooksey	Common Right		9	0
Ingle	Carting Gravel etc.	1	10	0
Villar & Co.	Tithe	2	13	10
Barham A. J.	Irons for Allotment Gate		5	0

Gravel Pits - Auctioneer.

The Clerk reported that the Auctioneer who let the Gravel Pits had failed to send the Council an Account of the transaction or to pay the proceeds of same over to him.

A complaint was also considered in this connection made by Mr. W. Edwards, who had in the previous year received the proceeds of the letting of Biggen Lane, and expended it upon the repair of the road, with the mutual consent of the adjoining occupier, but that this year the Auctioneer had handed the money over to Mr. W. Shelton without any authority from the occupiers or this Council.

The Clerk was instructed to write a letter to the Auctioneer, expressing this Council's astonishment of his action, and apparent want of loyalty to the Council who employ and instruct him through the Clerk, and further to demand an account of the Grass Sale from the Auctioneer together with an explanation of his action in ignoring this Council all through the transaction, and that he obtain the amount in question from Mr. Shelton and pay over to the Council forthwith.

This was carried on the proposition of Mr. Ingle, seconded by Mr. J. Key.

Signed: H. Kitchener



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

At a Meeting of the Upwood Parish Council, held on **Thursday the 11th day of September 1924** at the National School.

Present: Rev. H. Kitchener, M.A. (Chairman).

Messrs J. H. Key, William Sinclair, W. M. Scarr, and Fred Townsend.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Auctioneer Correspondence.

The Clerk reported he had received an account for the Grass Letting since the last meeting together with an assurance from the Auctioneer that the money had been paid to the Councils account at Messrs. Barclays Bank.

The Clerk read a letter from the Auctioneer stating he had paid the proceeds of the Letting of Biggen Lane to Mr. W. Shelton, as the latter gentleman having carried out the repairs on the Drove, had applied for it and which the adjoining tenants had approved. No further action was deemed necessary.

Mr. W. Curtis – Deceased.

The Chairman referred to the death of Councillor the late Mr. W. Curtis, observing that Mr. Curtis would be missed as an Overseer and Councillor and generally by the whole neighbourhood.

The Council desires to record it's appreciation of Mr. Curtis's services to this Council, and regret at the great loss sustained by this Parish. The Chairman's action in providing a wreath at the funeral was unanimously approved.

Casual Vacancy.

It was resolved on the proposition of Mr. F. Townsend seconded by Mr. W. M. Scarr that Mr. F. J. Barham be appointed to fill the Casual Vacancy upon the Council created by the death of Mr. William Curtis.

Overseer.

It was resolved on the proposition of Mr. W. M. Scarr, seconded by Mr. William Sinclair that Mr. John Hidson Key be appointed Overseer in place of the late Mr. William Curtis.

Accounts.

It was resolved that a cheque for the 7/6 be drawn in favour of Mr. W. Speechley for superintending Water Supply.

Resolved that the following payments be confirmed:

Sinclair W.	Allotment Gate	1	7	6
Mrs Jones	Common Rights		9	0
Parish Rates			18	4

Signed: H. Kitchener