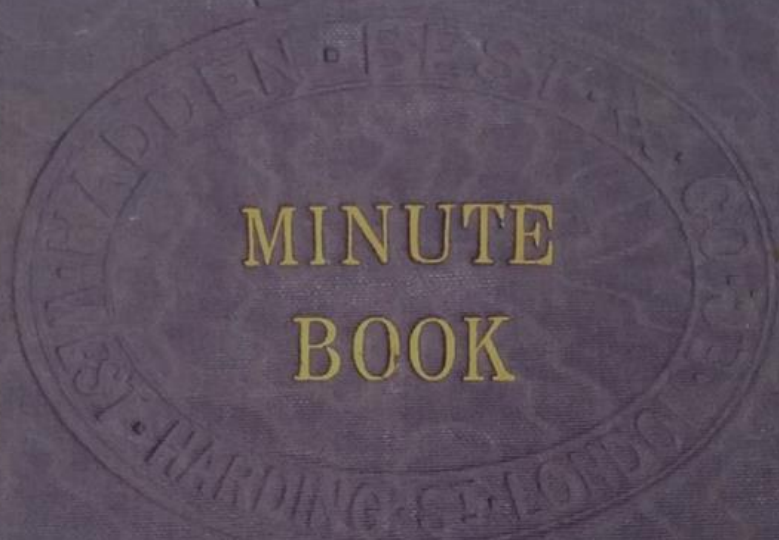


UPWOOD & THE RAVELEYS PARISH

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Minutes from meetings dated:

20th February

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Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

A Parish meeting of the Upwood and Raveley's Parish was held at the National School after due summons on **Tuesday the 20th February 1940.**

Present: Mr. A. H. Ingle in the Chair, Messrs. G. J. Cordell, F. J. Barham, G. W. Brighty, W. J. Curtis, H. Leadbetter, W. G. Seaton.

Minutes

Accounts.

Resolved that cheques for accounts as presented be drawn payable to:

Lord De Ramsey	Rent	£20	0	0
Villar and Co.	Tithe	£ 3	9	4

Parish Constables.

A list of men residing within the Parish qualified and liable to serve as Parish Constables was drawn up for submission to the Justices viz:-

Cordell, Gilbert	Farmer	Upwood
Brighty, George W.	Farmer	Great Raveley
Curtis, William James	Farmer	Upwood
Barham, Frederick James	Blacksmith	Upwood
Hughes, Reginald	Labourer	Great Raveley
Butler, William	Coal Merchant	Upwood

Land on Hill Farm.

A letter was read from Lord De Ramsey stating that a piece of land about 555 square yards was being acquired by the Hunts. County Council part of Hill Farm Allotments for improving the road at Townsend Farm corner.

Signed: A. H. Ingle



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

Annual meeting of the Upwood and Raveley's Parish Council held in the Upwood National School on **Tuesday April 2nd 1940.**

Present: Mr. A. H. Ingle (Chairman), Messrs. W. J. Curtis, F. J. Barham, G. J. Cordell, H. Leadbetter, A. Murfin, G. Brighty.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Death.

The Chairman referred to the lamented death of Mr. F. W. Lantaff who had been a Member of the Council since March 1931. Resolved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mrs. Lantaff in her loss.

Rats etc.

A letter was read from the County War Agricultural Committee with reference to the appointment of a receiver for rats tails and sparrow heads. Resolved that Mr. W. J. Curtis be appointed Receiver for the Parish.

A letter was read from Miss Barkley of Abbots Ripton Estate Office with reference to the rats in the banks of the pond at Little Raveley, and asking if the Council could deal with the pest at once. Resolved that Messrs. Poulter Bros. be asked to deal with the pest at once, and the Clerk be authorised to spend up to 2/6 for the service.

Gravel Pits.

A letter was read from Messrs. Hunnybun and Sykes, Solicitors enquiring whether the Council would be disposed to sell a plot of land in the Turf Fen Road about one acre in extent and known as "Gravel Pit". The Clerk was directed to reply that the Council consider any offer Messrs. Hunnybun and Sykes would care to make for same.

R. D. C. Vacancy.

A letter was read from the Huntingdon Rural District Council dated 17th Instant, stating there would be no elections during the War, and that as there was a vacancy on the said Council, the Parish Council was invited to nominate a suitable person for co-option as a Member of the R. D. Council. Resolved that Mr. G. W. Brighty, Farmer of Great Raveley be nominated for co-option to the vacancy.

Fire Services.

Resolved that the following men be nominated to undertake Fire Brigade duties in the villages under precept from the R. D. C.

Upwood Messrs. A. Murfin, R. Thompson and A. Thompson.

Raveleys Messrs. G. W. Brighty, E. C. Edwards and R. Hughes

with Headquarters at Mr. Brighty's and Mr. Murfin's places respectively.

Council Vacancies.

Resolved that Mr. J. L. Gaunt and Mr. Gingell be asked to fill the vacancies on the Parish Council caused by the removal of Mr. J. S. Giddens and the death of Mr. F. W. Lantaff.

Arrears of Rents.

The Clerk reported that Messrs. W. Edwards, J. Gaunt and F. Townsend had ignored all requests for the payment of their rents which amounted to a considerable sum, and recommended that the matter be placed in the hands of a solicitor. Resolved that Messrs. Serjeant and Son be instructed to take action to recover the amounts due from the several tenants.

Vacant Allotment.

Resolved that the two allotments vacated by Mr. W. Edwards on top lot be let to Mr. George Hall at the rent of 15/0 per acre.

Notice to Quit.

Resolved that the Council relinquish the 20 acres of allotment land on Hill Farm at Michaelmas next, and if this was not acceptable to Lord De Ramsey to give him 12 months notice of the Councils intention to do so.

Dangerous Tree.

Attention was drawn to the danger of a tree near the Church yard overhanging the cottage occupied by Mr. E. Woodward. Resolved that the tree be given to Mr. Woodward if he would undertake to cut down and clear away the danger.

Payments.

Resolved that the payment of Income Tax £4/4/0 be confirmed and that a cheque for Land Tax 19/0 be drawn.

Signed: A. H. Ingle



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

Minutes and proceedings of a meeting of the Upwood and Raveley's Parish Council held in the National School on **Tuesday the 6th August 1940.**

Present: Mr. A. H. Ingle in the Chair, Mr. F. J. Barham, Mr. W. J. Curtis, Mr. A. Murfin, Mr. G. Cordell.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments.

Resolved that the bills as presented be paid viz:-

Butler, W.	Cutting Grass on vacant allotments	1	10	0
Murfin and Sons	Repairs		9	6

Arrears of Rent.

The Clerk reported that Messrs. J. and C. Gaunt had paid £10 and £7 respectively off arrears of rents and Mr. W. Edwards £4.0.0

Allotments Land.

The Clerk reported that the County War Agricultural Committee had taken possession of approximately 4 acres of vacant allotments on the Top Allotment Field, and a notice dated 20th June 1940 had been received from that committee terminating all tenancies of the Hill Farm Allotment Field and had taken possession of same as from 21st June 1940.

Allotment Arrears.

Resolved that allotment arrears amounting to 18/10 be written off as irrecoverable.

Signed: A. H. Ingle.