

UPWOOD

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**MINUTE
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Minutes from meetings dated:

4th February

28th May

16th March

21st October



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Wednesday 4th February 1953** at 7.30pm when the following were present:

Present: Mr. Paterson, Chairman, Mr. Cordell, Mr. E. Edwards, Mr. W. Edwards, Mr. R. A. Murfin, Mr. S. A. Murfin, Mr. Shelton, Mr. Townsend and the Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, the Chairman and the Clerk reported that Mr. Jakes had been interviewed and after some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Jakes should keep the holding until next Michaelmas when the situation would again be reviewed, in the meantime the Clerk was instructed to write to the Parish Council's Association and find out the legal position.

Drainage of the Allotments.

The Chairman and Clerk reported to the Council that they had met the Drainage Officer of the Hunts. A. E. C. to ask his advice on the drainage of the allotments at the bottom end. It was suggested that the ditch should be done out at the bottom of the allotments and a 3' drain laid down the allotments, and a new grip made just above the roadway on the part hired by Mr. Marshall, and the drainage officer thought the A. E. C. would bear half the cost which was estimated at about £20. The Clerk agreed to ask Mr. Hall if he would carry out the work.

Rent Arrears.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Marshall's rent was still outstanding and he had written to him again asking for a remittance, Mr. Peacock had also been written to asking him to pay his account. It was agreed to let the allotment at Great Raveley on Monday 16th February at 7.30pm in Great Raveley.

Church Yard.

The Clerk reported that the Vicar of Upwood had made a verbal request that the Parish Council should take over the maintenance of the closed Church Yard. After some discussion it was agreed to write to the Parish Councils Association on the matter.

Payments.

Cheques were drawn for the payment of Street Lighting and Income Tax. Mr. Edgar Edwards of Great Raveley asked if it was possible if a Telephone Kiosk could be erected at Great Raveley to serve both the Raveleys. The Clerk agreed to write to the G.P.O. asking them if this could be done.

Signed: W. R. Paterson



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Monday 16th March 1953** at 7.30pm when then following were present:

Present: Mr. Paterson, Chairman, Messrs. W. Edwards, F. Townsend, R. A. Murfin, S. A. Murfin, G. E. Shelton, W. G. Colbert, G. J. Cordell and the Clerk L. W. Scarr.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arisings.

Arising out of the minutes, the Clerk reported that Mr. Hall was working on drainage scheme for the allotments and the work was nearly completed.

It was also reported the Mr. Marshall had left the village and had filed his petition in bankruptcy and it was doubtful if any rent would be received for his allotment. As Mr. Marshall had left the village, the Council agreed to relet the allotment, applications had been received from Messrs. A. Edwards, R. Thompson, E. Gowler, P. W. Taylor and E. Townsend. After some consideration, it was agreed to let the allotment in equal parts to Mr. A. Edwards and Mr. R. Thompson as they did not occupy any other land.

Bus Stop.

Mr. Edwards asked if it was possible to have a request bus stop at the North End of the village. The Clerk reported that the Womens Institute had written to the Bus Company and the Company did not agree to make a bus stop at the point, but it was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Bus Company and ask them again.

Signed: W. R. Paterson



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

The Annual meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Thursday 28th May 1953** when then following were present:

Present: Messrs. Paterson, W. Edwards, Barham, R. A. Murfin, A. Bannister, S. A. Murfin, G. E. Shelton, F. Townsend and the Clerk L. W. Scarr.

Mr. Paterson was again nominated as Chairman for the year, proposed by Mr. S. A. Murfin seconded Mr. G. E. Shelton, Mr Paterson again accepted the office.

Mr. W. Edwards was nominated as Vice Chairman, proposed by Mr. S. A. Murfin seconded Mr. Barham.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were then read, confirmed and signed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, the Clerk reported that the drainage was completed and during the Financial Year would try and get the grant from the A. E. C. It was agreed that very little could be done concerning the rent owed by Mr. Marshall as he had filed his petition in bankruptcy and his assets were very low. Mr. A. Edwards and Mr. R. Thompson agreed to hire the allotments on conditions laid down by the Clerk.

Accounts.

The Clerk then presented the accounts for the year ending 31st March 1953, these showed a balance in hand as follows: Ordinary Acc. £23-13-6, Street Lighting £13-2-5, Charities £8-8-0
It was proposed by Mr. W. Edwards seconded by R. A. Murfin that the accounts be adopted.

Coronation Committees Activities.

The Chairman then gave an account of the Coronation Committees Activities in their preparation for the Coronation.

Street Lighting.

A precept on the District Council was then signed for the Street Lighting.

Signed: W. R. Paterson



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

The quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Wednesday October 21st 1953** at 7.30pm when then following were present:

Present: Mr. W. R. Paterson, Chairman, Mr. F. J. Barham, Mr. W. G. Colbert, Mr. E. Edwards, Mr. R. A. Murfin, Mr. S. A. Murfin, Mr. G. E. Shelton, Mr. F. Townsend and the Clerk L. W. Scarr.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, it was proposed by Mr. R. A. Murfin and seconded by Mr. W. G. Colbert that the rent of £6-0-0 owing by Mr. Marshall at October 11th 1952 should be written off as a bad debt as he had filed his petition in bankruptcy and his assets were nil.

It was reported by the Clerk that Mr. Jakes had left the district so that part of the Dock Field that had been farmed by Mr. Gaunt was now in the hand of the Council to be re-let. Two applications had been received, one from Mr. B. G. Allpress and one from Mr. E. W. Gowler. It was agreed to offer the part near the old Upwood Road to Mr. Allpress, and the part adjoining Mr Cordell's farm to Mr. Gowler, the rent to be £1 per acre per annum for three years after which the rent would be reviewed, the tenants to keep the hedges cut and the ditches clear, the Clerk to offer these plots on these conditions and measure the land out for the tenants.

Trustees.

The following trustees were appointed:

West Charities: Mr. F. Townsend, Mr. G. Cordell, Mr. F. J. Barham, Mr. R. A. Murfin.

Great Raveley Charity Allotments: Mr. Edgar Edwards, Mr. W. G. Colbert, these appointments to run for 4 years.

Payments.

The following cheques were drawn:

Street Lighting: £33-13-10

L. W. Scarr: £7-7-7 ½ years salary, Audit Stamp and Palmer & Son Account.

It was reported by the Clerk that Mr. Peacock of Ramsey had not yet paid the £6-0-0 for the dismantling of the two pumps, and it was agreed to write to him again pointing out that his payment was very much overdue.

Signed: W. R. Paterson