

Monday Jan. 7th 1918

An Emergency Parish Council Meeting was held today at 4 p.m. in the School.

There were present - Col. J. E. Groom, Col. Gray, Messrs J. F. Wordingham, N. Green and C. Reynolds, Mr. Gray and the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Agenda: -

1. Minutes of the last Meeting
2. To discuss a letter received by the Clerk from the Food Control Office, Fakenham.

1. Mr. Gray was asked by Mr. Wordingham to occupy the chair thus resuming the office of chairman of the Stiffkey Parish Council.

2. The Clerk read the Minutes of the last Meeting and they were duly signed.

3. Mr. Gray then read the following letter which had been received by the Clerk.

Food Control Office,
Swan Street,

Fakenham.

Dec. 19th 1917

Dear Sir, I am instructed by my Food

Control Committee to ask you to bring before your Parish Council at your earliest convenience an intimation that in the future there may be a possible shortage of food in our area. You are requested to ask your Council if they will kindly consent to act as a Sub-Committee to this Committee.

The first duty of this Sub-Committee would be to make arrangements for a central kitchen, in the event of the shortage referred to becoming actual. Other information will be forwarded to you as soon as possible; in the meantime will you kindly report to me what your Council may do in this matter.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully
James Smith.

This letter was received by the Clerk on Dec. 30th 1917.

4. Colonel Gray proposed "That the Clerk write to the Food Control Office stating that the Stizkey Parish Council are quite willing to help in any scheme submitted to them in case of acute shortage of food." Seconded by Mr S. F. Wordingham.

5. Colonel Groom proposed "that enquiries be made as to whether Bullard & Co., would allow the premises of "The Red Lion" to be used as a Communal Kitchen in the event of an acute shortage of food."

This proposition was seconded by Colonel Gray.

No other business coming forward the Meeting was then closed.

Allotments Rents of £6-5-0 were collected on Oct. 11th 1917 and £5 cheque forwarded to Mr J. C. Blofeld.

A. Daggett
Clerk

Blunkley Gray
Feb: 5th 1918
Chairman

Tuesday Feb. 5th 1918

A Parish Council Meeting was held this evening at 8 p.m.

There were present: Col. J. E. Groom, Col. Gray, Messrs S. F. Wordingham, C. Reynolds, A. Ringwood, Mr Gray and the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Agenda:-

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. To discuss the results of the General Meeting re- the growth of more potatoes.

1. The Clerk read the Minutes of the last Meeting and they were duly signed.
2. The Chairman (Mr Gray) read the reply which the Clerk had received from Bullard & Sons Ltd.

Copy of Letter.

Anchor Brewery,
St. Giles' Bridge
Norwich

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A Daggett Esq.
Clerk to the Parish Council,
Stiffkey.

Dear Sir,

"Red Lion" Stiffkey.

In reply to your letter of the 8th inst., we beg to say that negotiations are pending at the present time, for

letting the above-named house and should they fall through and you have not secured the necessary accommodation, we shall be prepared to consider your request at a little later date.

Yours Truly,
Walter S. Lee.
(For Bullard & Sons, Ltd.)

3. It was proposed by Mr S. F. Wordingham "That the minimum amount of land granted to each applicant for the growth of potatoes or other vegetables be 10 rods and the maximum to be 20 rods."
Seconded by Mr C. Reynolds.

4. Col. J. B. Groom Proposed "That the plots be tenanted from February to February."
Seconded by Col. R. Gray.

5. Col. J. B. Groom offered 2 acres of land in the "Gracious Close" (the furthest end) - subject to Mr Headman's approval.

No other business coming forward the meeting then closed.

A Daggett
Clerk

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Feb. 20/1908
Chairman.

February 20th 1918

Declaration of acceptance of office as
Parish Councillor for the Parish of
Stiffkey in the County of Norfolk.

I, the undersigned, having
been elected as Parish Councillor
for the Parish of Stiffkey hereby
declare that I take the said
office upon myself and will
faithfully fulfil the duties
thereof according to the best
of my judgement and ability

Dated this twentieth day of
February, 1918

In the presence of
J. M. Froome.

and

A. Daggett
(Clerk)

Albert V. Humphrey.

Wednesday February 20th 1918

A Parish Council Meeting was held this evening at 6.30 p.m. at Vale House, Stiffkey.

There were present Col. J. E. Groom, Col. R. Gray, Messrs C. Reynolds, J. F. Wordingham, A. Ridgwood, A. V. Humphrey, Mr Gray and the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Agenda:-

- I The Minutes of the last Meeting
- II The Election of Mr A. V. Humphrey as Parish Councillor.
- III To decide upon the land for Potato Plots.

- I The Clerk read the Minutes of the Last Meeting and they were duly signed by the Chairman (Mr Gray).
- II Col. R. Gray proposed "That Mr A. V. Humphrey be elected Parish Councillor to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of the Rector."
Seconded by Mr J. F. Wordingham (Carried unanimously).
- III The Chairman stated that Col. J. E. Groom had informed her that Mrs Steadman had refused to let her land for "Potato Plots." Therefore the Parish Council must ask for other land.

Col. J. E. Groom offered to grow two acres of potatoes and when the same were grown and taken up was willing to ~~offer~~ ^{hand} them over to the Parish Council at the Controlled Price to do exactly as they pleased with.

On being asked if he would offer two acres of land to the Parish Council he refused and then left the Meeting.

The Parish Council unanimously refused to accept the offer of taking over the potatoes when grown by Col. J. E. Groom.

The Parish Council instructed the Chairman to write to the Board of Agriculture that owing to the refusal of the principal landowner ~~of the~~ to let the land, they deeply regretted that the two acres of land were unobtainable, and further instructions are required.

No other business coming forward the Meeting then closed.

A. Daggett
secretary

~~Blanchard~~ Blanchard
March 25 1918
Chairman.

Food Production Dept.
72, Victoria Street,
London S.W.1.

9th March 1918

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Board are informed that there is an unsatisfied demand for allotments in your Parish.

In these circumstances I am to suggest that if your Council find difficulty in coming to terms with owners for the acquisition of suitable land they should at once apply to the

Agricultural Executive Committee who have power, under the Cultivation of Lands Order, 1918, to take land and arrange with a Parish Council for its cultivation as allotments.

The address of the Secretary to the Committee is 11, Prince of Wales Rd., Norwich.

The Board will be glad to be informed at an early date that the Council have been able to satisfy all applicants.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant -
G. W. Lloyd.

The Clerk to the Stiffkey P.C.

The Chairman stated that she sent the letter to Col. J. E. Groom who

interviewed Col. R. Gray.
Col. Gray reported that Col. Groom
was willing to let the land to
individuals but not to the
Parish Council.

The Chairman then read the
following letter from Col. J. E. Groom:

Warborough House,
Stiffkey,
Wells By Sea
Monday 26.3.18.

Dear Mr Gray,

I shall have to ask
you to excuse my coming out this
evening. All those you gave me
a list of, have their plots and
four more besides.

Yours Sincerely,
John E. Groom.

Mr Humphrey Proposed "That a list
of the names of the Applicants
for land be entered in the
Minutes"

This proposition was seconded by
Mr S. F. Wordingham and it
was unanimously carried.

List of Applicants for Potato Land.

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| 1. | Mr James Dowsing | 20 rods. |
| 2. | Mr Chas. Bayfield | 20 " |
| 3. | Mr G. Jary | 20 " |
| 4. | Mr Walter Greenacre | 20 " |
| 5. | Mr John Hannam | 20 " |
| 6. | Mr Richard Dowsing | 20 " |
| 7. | Mr Sidney Dowsing | 20 " |
| 8. | Mr Clarence Jarvis | 20 " |
| 9. | Mr Edward Brown | 20 " |
| 10. | Mr Robert Wright | 20 " |
| 11. | Mr Edie Edgely | 10 " |
| 12. | Mr John Jarvis | 20 " |
| 13. | Mr William Greenacre | 20 " |

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Food Production Department informing them that land had been granted to all applicants.

No other business coming forward the Chairman then declared the Meeting closed.

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Clerk

W. Gray

Chairman.

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Tuesday April 16th 1918.

A Parish Council Meeting was held this evening at 6.30 p.m. in the School, St. Ippley.

There were present: Col. R. Gray, Col. J. E. Groom, Messrs A. V. Humphrey, S. F. Wordingham, A. Ringwood, C. Reynolds and the Clerk to the Parish Council.

- Agenda:—
1. The election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.
 2. Minutes of the Last Meeting.
 3. Election of Overseers for the ensuing year.
 4. To consider a complaint made by Mr C. Bayfield re-fencing of allotments.

I. Mr A. V. Humphrey proposed and Mr A. Ringwood seconded "That Col. R. Gray be elected as Chairman for the ensuing year" Unanimous decision.

Col. J. E. Groom proposed and Mr S. F. Wordingham seconded "That Mr A. Ringwood continue in office as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year" Carried unanimously.

2. The Minutes of the Last Meeting were read and duly signed by the Chairman.
3. It was proposed by Mr A. Ringwood

and seconded by Col. J. E. Groom "That Mr A. V. Humphrey and Mr S. F. Wordingham continue as Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year. Unanimous decision.

4. The Clerk reported that when Mr C. Bayfield paid the Allotments Rents on April 6th 1918 he complained that he objected to paying 2/- per acre per year for the repairs of fencing and no repairs were done.

After some discussion Col J E Groom Proposed "That the Chairman, with Mr A. V. Humphrey and Mr S. F. Wordingham be deputed to inspect the fence and carry out the repairs as they think advisable." Secounded by Mr C. Reynolds. Carried Unanimously.

5. The following letter was read.

Stiffkey,
April 16th 1918

To the Stiffkey Parish Council

After careful consideration I have decided to resign my office as Parish Councillor as I am now so deaf that it is difficult for me to follow the business proceedings.

I am,
Faithfully Yours,
Nathaniel Green.

The Chairman (Col. R. Gray) stated that the Parish Council were sorry to lose Mr. N. Green as a Member but recognised his difficulty owing to deafness and therefore would accept his resignation.

The Clerk was instructed to reply to Mr. N. Green to that effect.

Mr. Ringwood proposed and Mr. S. T. Wordingham seconded "That Mr. A. V. Humphrey be elected Parish Councillor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Nathaniel Green"

Unanimous decision.

6. Allotments Rents of £5-5-0 due on April 6th 1918 have been collected and £5 cheque forwarded to Mr. J. C. Blofeld.
Rent of Parish Pound 1/- also collected.

Ada Daggett

Clerk

John R. Gray

Chairman.