

A Meeting of the Council was held in the School on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7-15 p.m.  
Councillors present:-

Messrs J. W. Curson,  
Wm Curson, H Graves, J. W. Gibson, & A. H. Gidney.

Agenda.

1. Minutes of last Meeting.
2. A/c's for Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1931.
3. To consider an application.
4. Any other business.

1. The Clerk read the Minutes of the last Meeting, & they were passed as read & signed by the Chairman upon the proposition of Wm Curson, who intimated that he would bring two matters arising out of the Minutes, before the Meeting later. The foregoing was seconded by H Graves.
2. The Accounts for the Year ending 31-3-31 were laid before the Meeting together with the notice of the Audit of the Parish-Council's Accounts to be held at Takenham on Tuesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon. It was resolved on the motion of J. W. Gibson, seconded by Wm Curson that the accounts be adopted.
3. An Application for one acre of allotment garden was read by the Chairman from Ernest Hannant of this Parish. The Chairman reminded the Meeting of a former application from Percy Jarvis that was still outstanding. Wm Curson proposed that the Clerk make application for two acres of land to be hired for allotments, separately, to Mr Thistleton Smith, Major Vincent & Capt

Rippingall., & that the Clerk inform the two Applicants that their applications are being dealt with. J. W. Curson seconded this proposition & it was duly agreed so to act.

4. The Clerk was requested to inform the Meeting what replies he had received from the Allotment Holders in answer to the Council's request from their previous Meeting. He informs the Meeting that the Holders had with one exception expressed their intention of continuing their tenancy under the conditions outlined by the Council. The exception to the above. Richard Dowsing, wished to terminate his tenancy in favour of his brother, George Dowsing.

It was resolved on the motion of W<sup>m</sup> Curson, seconded by J. W. Gibson, that this Council agreed to the transference of Allotment Garden No 3. from Richard Dowsing to George Dowsing, & that the latter be accepted as one of the Council's tenants he being an inhabitant of this Parish, & fulfils the conditions regarding the holding of an Allotment Garden.

5. W<sup>m</sup> Curson asked the Clerk if he had received a reply from the Council's letter to the Rector in relation to the Burial Ground extension. Upon receiving a negative answer he proposed that the Clerk write to the Rector asking if he had taken any further steps in the matter, if not, this Council would be reluctantly obliged to bring the whole matter to the Bishop's notice. J. W. Curson

seconded the proposition & it was passed unanimous  
 6. It was proposed by Wm Curson, 'that  
 the Clerk requests the Postmaster for  
 the placing of a small letter-box in  
 Muckle-Dyke, pointing out the further erection  
 of houses in that part of the Parish which  
 brings the total up to 23, & that seven  
 tradespeople now reside there. H Gravet  
 seconded the proposition & it was passed.  
 No other business arising the Chairman  
 declared the Meeting closed.

A. H. Curson Chairman

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2. Correspondence.
3. Allotments.
4. Any other Business.

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write to the Postmaster General - J.R.A.M. Cook, <sup>M.P.</sup> giving the whole facts of the case, & asking for their assistance. The foregoing was seconded by H. Green & passed unanimously.

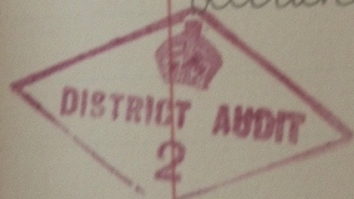
3. The Clerk informed the Meeting that Clarence & Samuel Bayfield had given him an oral notification of their wish to relinquish their tenancy of the Allotment-Gardens they hold, at April 6<sup>th</sup> next, if it would meet with the Council's approval.

The Council debated the matter for sometime with that of Thomas Pearson (Jnr); & Thomas Pearson (Snr) application & intimation for agreeing to, hire the two acres as from April 6<sup>th</sup> 1932, which they had made during the Parish Meeting.

It was finally moved by J.W. Cusson, 'that' this Council accept the two Pearsons as tenants, hiring one acre Allotment-garden each, & that the Clerk notify both of the Council's decision. H. Gravet seconded this proposal & it was passed unanimously.

4. No other business arising, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

A. H. Hedley Chairman



A Meeting of the Council was held in the School on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7-15 p. m.

Councillors present:-

Present J. W. Gibson, A. H. Gidney, W. Curson, & J. W. Curson.

### Agenda.

1. Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman for ensuing year.
2. Minutes of last Meeting.
3. Correspondence.
4. Two applications.
5. To sign two cheques.
6. Any other business.

1. The Clerk occupied the Chair while the Chairman & Vice-Chairman was elected.

Chairman. J. W. Gibson proposed that A. H. Gidney be re-elected to the post of Chairman, W<sup>m</sup> Curson seconded the proposal & it was carried.

Vice Chairman W<sup>m</sup> Curson ~~was~~ proposed by A. H. Gidney to the post of Vice-Chairman, which same was seconded by J. W. Gibson & passed.

2. The Chairman forthwith occupied the Chair & requested the Clerk to read the Minutes of the last Meeting. The Clerk read the Minutes & they were passed & signed by the Chairman upon the proposition of W<sup>m</sup> Curson, seconded by J. W. Gibson.

3. Correspondence was received from the Post Office District Surveyor & J. R. O. M. Cook M.P. Major Vincent & Thistleton Smith

(4) The first two referred to the Councils application for a small letter-box to be affixed in Muckledyke, & the Council

was pleased to note that their application had been supported by the Postmaster General & Mr Cook & that the letter box is in course of erection. The Clerk reported to the meeting that he had anticipated their wishes & thanked Mr G. Cook M.P. for his assistance in the matter.

3. The latter two referred to the Council's application for two acres of arable land to be let as allotment gardens & in both cases the Council was informed that their application could not be granted. Mr Curson proposed that the Correspondence be received & that the Clerk should be requested to write again to Messrs Vincent & Thicketon Smith asking them to reconsider their decision regarding the land to be hired for Allotments, for a definite decision & that the Clerk should point out the drastic unemployment in this Parish. The above was seconded by J. W. Curson & passed.

4. Two further applications were received for one acre Allotment Garden, one from L. Stubbsfield & the other from Charles Hannant, both of this Parish. The Clerk was directed to alter the Council's applications from two to four acres in writing to the persons named in Minute 3. b.
5. A cheque for £ 5 was signed to pay the Half Year's Allotments Rent due to J. S. G. Drape & a cheque for £ 1-14-9 payable to the Clerk for his Half-year salary



to April 1<sup>st</sup> 1932 & incidental expenses. -  
2. Fidelity Bonds, Audit Stamp, Financial Returns &  
Audit notices, stamps & stationery.

No other business arising the Chairman  
declared the meeting closed.

A. H. Gidney Chairman.

A Meeting of the Council was held in the School on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 1932., at 7-15 p.m.

Councillors present - Messrs H. Graves, A.H. Gidney, W<sup>m</sup> Curson & J.W. Curson.

Agenda.

1. Minutes of last Meeting.
2. Correspondence.
3. To pass Accounts for Year ending 31-3-32.
4. Any other business.

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read by the Clerk under the direction of the Chairman. H Graves proposed that the Minutes be passed & signed by the Chairman, this was seconded by W<sup>m</sup> Curson & passed.

2. The Chairman read a letter from Major Vincent wherein he stated that he was willing to sell land for Allotments to the Council subject to them making arrangements with the present tenant.

A letter from E. Thistleton Smith was also read it contained nothing further than a statement that he was seeing Mr Symonds in the matter.

After a discussion on the whole matter it was finally resolved on the motion of W<sup>m</sup> Curson, seconded by J.W. Curson, that the correspondence be received, that the Clerk inquire of Major Vincent the price per acre of five acres of his arable land he would ask of the Council, & the Chairman & the Clerk be asked if they would consent to see Mrs Holdsworth when she visits the Parish

in a few weeks time so as to acquaint her how matters stand at present, because he considered she did not know of the Council's applications, he felt sure she would be sympathetic.

The Chairman & the Clerks agreed to interview Mr Holdsworth directly an opportunity arose.

3. The Accounts of the Parish Council for the Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1932 were laid before the Meeting together with the notice of the Audit of such accounts, to be held in the Councils Office Tatenham, on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June at 12 noon. They were adopted on the proposition of Mr Curson, seconded by Mr Graves.
- No other business arising the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

A. H. Sidney Chairman

A Meeting of the Council was held in the School on Yves Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 1932., at 7-15 p.m.

Councillors present: - Messrs W<sup>m</sup> Curson, J. W. Curson, J. W. Gibson, H Graves, A. H. Gidney, & H. Green.

### Agenda.

1. Minutes of last Meeting.

2. Correspondence.

3. To discuss the question of Allotment Gardens.

4. Any other business.

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read by the Clerk, & upon the motion of J. W. Gibson, seconded by J. W. Curson they were passed as read, and signed by the Chairman.
2. The Chairman directed the Clerk to read the correspondence which was as follows: - three letters from Major J. M. Vincent & two from Thistleton Smith all dealing with the Council's application for land to be used for Allotment Gardens. The three letters from Major Vincent culminated in a direct refusal to let land to the Council giving as his reason - that he considered such letting would be detrimental to a proposed sale of the land in question. The latest of the two from Thistleton Smith intimated to the Council the failure to obtain the land named by the Council but an offer of the land in Warboroughs

field west of the Gravel-pit was made. Before the Correspondence was put to the Meeting the Chairman made the following statement - He had seen Mr Vincent Jnr and after a long conversation with him on the question of land for Allotment-gardens had obtained a promise from him to the effect that if the Council failed in their other effort to procure land he would do his best in the matter. Further, his meeting with Mr Holdsworth had no progressive effect. Dealing with the proposal contained in the last letter from Thicketon-Smith he informed the meeting that he had instructed the Clerk to ask the Applicants to attend the Meeting at 8.0 o'clock, so that their opinion could be obtained as to the suitability of the land offered. He had taken the responsibility of this step because he thought the Council would be helped in their decision by the Applicants' reply. It being almost 8.0 p.m. the Correspondence was adjourned & the Applicants were admitted to the Meeting. The Chairman explained the whole matter to them with the obligations which would be asked of them. After discussing the matter amongst themselves they were unanimous in accepting the land offered. The Applicants then left the Meeting.

3/ It was proposed by H. Graves that the Clerk write and accept the offer made by Thicketon-Smith asking the amount per annum of rent which would be charged. This was seconded by J.W. Curson, & passed.

4. The matter of the Burial-ground extension was raised by W<sup>m</sup> Curson. It was resolved on the motion of J.W. Curson, seconded by H Green, - the Clerk be requested to write to the Bishop of Norwich informing him of the Council's previous attempt to obtain the late Rector's consent to remedy this long-standing disgrace & to ask his assistance before the new Rector took up his duties.
5. The Correspondence was received on the motion of W<sup>m</sup> Curson, seconded by H Green.
6. It was revealed during a discussion on 'Gravel-Pit Hill' (the ground belonging to this Parish) that the present tenant (Mr P Youngman) of the land adjoining had erected a barbed wire fence across the roadway to the Pit. W<sup>m</sup> Curson moved a resolution asking the Chairman to see Mr Youngman & request him to remove the fence. H Green seconded the proposition, it was passed, & the Chairman agreed to carry out the wishes of the Meeting.
- No other business arising the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

R.H. Sidney Chairman.

A Meeting of the Council was held in the School on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7-15 p.m.

Councillors present:-

W<sup>m</sup> Curson, J. W. Curson, J. W. Gibson, H Graves, & A. H. Gidney.

Agenda.

1. Minutes of last Meeting.
2. Correspondence.
3. Any other business.

1. The Clerk read the Minutes of the last Meeting and upon the proposition of H Graves, seconded by W<sup>m</sup> Curson they were passed as read & signed by the Chairman.

2. The Correspondence, placed before the Meeting consisted of a reply from the Lord Bishop of Norwich, in which he thanked the Council for their information re. Burial-ground extension, & suggested that the matter should await the coming of the new Rector; - a letter from Thistleton-Smith wherein he admitted his failure in procuring land for Allotment gardens as he had hoped in a previous communication, adding that he knew M<sup>rs</sup> Holdsworth desired to let land for Allotment gardens, but, her Agent would advise her against letting land for any other purpose. W<sup>m</sup> Curson proposed that the correspondence be accepted, it was seconded by J. W. Gibson & passed.

3. At the end of a discussion concerning the whole of the negotiations to acquire land for Allotment ~~W<sup>m</sup> Curson~~ moved a resolution  
J. W. Gibson

H/cont the Council's account in Barclay's Bank.  
J. W. Curson seconded the proposal + it was  
carried unanimously.

No other business arising the Chairman  
declared the Meeting closed.

A. H. Rodney Chairman