

1912 Long Ashton Parish Council

The above Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday January 9th 1912 at 6.45 p.m.

There were present: Mr H B Napier (Chairman) who presided, Dr J Fuller (Vice Chairman), and Messrs J Hamblin, R Harding, S Harding, C Hodgson, H Jefferies, W Tucker and W R Withers. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Charity Commissioners to enquire whether Dr Fuller's term of office as Representative Trustee of the Long Ashton Parochial Charity should date from the time when his previous appointment lapsed, viz July 4th 1909 or from the time of this re-election on October 10 1911.

The Clerk was also instructed to write to the Somerset County Council referring to their letter of October 11th and enquiring whether the Parish Councils offer to tar the main road had been accepted.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Hamblin seconded that Mr E Patch's application for his allotment fence to be repaired by the Parish Council be refused. Carried unanimously.

Mr Hodgson reported that there was a dangerous hole in the footpath by Chorleys. The Chairman promised to speak to Mr Pearce about the matter.

Dr Fuller proposed and Mr Jefferies seconded that Coweill may have the allotment at Bower Ashton if Rogers gives it up. Carried unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to write Hunt offering him L Payne's allotment and should he not desire to take it to let it to Fowler.

The following allotments were let by the Council:

Jesse Payne's Plot 8 No 4 to C Hodgson

I Young's Plot 8 No 3 to Geo Cox

J Livings Plot 3 No 7 to Herbert Watts

Ben Rossiter's Plot 3 No 27 to Ernest Cole

G Goscombe's Plot 2No 14 to Herbert James

If any of the above decline to take the allotment offered it be an instruction to the Clerk to offer it to the next main on the list. Mr Tucker enquired as to the state of A J Cobbetts allotment. The Clerk stated that the allotment was now in a proper state of cultivation.

The following accounts were passed for payment:

H B Napier allotment rent £46:3:9

Repairing Archgrove Fence £1:19:5

Repairing Drinking trough and Providence Pump £1:1:4

Jordan & Co £1:15:6

C Ricketts 15/- A C Guyatt rates £3:18:4 and fees paid to County Court 15/=.

I Hamblin – Chairman

Long Ashton Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Meeting held at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday
March 26th 1912 at 6.45 p.m.

There was a very small attendance.

In the absence of the Chairman Mr I Hamblin was elected Chairman.

Apologies for unavoidable absence from the Chairman and the Vicar
were received.

The minutes of the last Parish Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Clerk to the Parochial Charity Trustees Mr A G Thomas presented
his balance sheet for the past year showing a balance in hand of
£142:15:10.

The Chairman invited questions and none being forthcoming he
declared the meeting closed.

H Napier – Chairman

Long Ashton Parish Council

The above Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday March 26th at 6.45 p.m.

There were present Mr I Hamblin (Chairman), J Avery, I Harding, C Hodgson, H Jefferies, W Tucker and R Withers.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Clerk read a letter from the Charity Commissioners re Dr J Fuller's appointment stating that it would be for four years from October 10th 1911.

The Clerk read a letter from the County Council re tarring roads and he was asked to take the matter up at once with the District Council.

The Clerk read a letter from the Local Government Board re certain roads in Leigh Woods. The Clerk reported a complaint from Golf Club re road between the Home and Golf Club gate. It was pointed out that the matter does not rest with the Parish Council and the Clerk was instructed to refer them to the District Council. Proposed by Mr Withers seconded by Mr Hodgson. Carried unanimously.

Account for £5.2.0 were passed for payment and a cheque drawn for that amount.

The Clerk read a list of overdue outstanding allotment rents nine in all and he was asked to make a special effort to collect same before April meeting.

Mr Hodgson having called attention to continuous absence of some members from Council meetings the Clerk was asked to look up the law on the subject before next meeting.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman proposed by Mr S Harding and seconded by Mr J Avery concluded the meeting.

H Napier

Long Ashton Parish Council

Annual Meeting. The above Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday April 15th 1912 at 6.45p.m.

Mr H B Napier presided and there were present Messrs J Avery, I Hamblin, R Harding, S Harding, C Hodgson, H Jefferies, W Tucker and W R Withers.

Mr Avery proposed and Mr S Harding seconded that Mr H B Napier be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year, this was carried unanimously.

Mr Withers proposed and Mr Tucker seconded that Dr J Fuller be re-elected Vice Chairman. Mr Hodgson moved and R Harding seconded that Messrs I Hamblin and J Avery be reappointed Overseers at the same time thanking them for past services. Carried unanimously.

These gentlemen signified their willingness to serve.

It was proposed by Mr Jefferies and seconded by Mr S Harding that Mr I Hamblin be re-elected Representative School Manager. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr Hodgson, seconded by Mr Jefferies and carried unanimously that Mr Kingston's seat having become vacant, the vacancy be filled forth with.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Hodgson seconded that the vacancy be filled up by the appointment of Mr Edwin Hale. Carried unanimously.

Mr Hale (who was present) signified his readiness to serve on the Council. The Clerk reported he had written the District Council re tarring the roads, but had received no reply.

The Clerk reported allotment arrears and it was resolved on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr R Harding that he (the Clerk) should write those in arrears saying that unless payment were made within seven days proceedings would be taken in the County Court.

A letter from James Winscombe was read and the Clerk was instructed to write him saying that if in future his rent was not paid according to the

rules, he would forfeit his allotment. Mr Tucker complained of flooding at Archgrove allotment owing to stopping of grating in Mr Harding's field and the Chairman undertook to see it was cleared.

H Napier.

Long Ashton Parish Council

A meeting of the above Council was held at the schools on Tuesday July 9th 1912 at 6.45 p.m.

Present Mr H B Napier in the Chair, Mr J Fuller Vice Chairman, Messrs J Avery, E Hale, J Hamblin, S Harding, C Hodgson, W Tucker and W R Withers.

The Clerk reported that allotment arrears for half year to March 31st were paid.

There being only one cheque left the Council agreed to make payable to the Clerk on this cheque the following items, the clerk to produce receipts at the next meeting of the Council:-

Ashton Court Estate ½ years rent £46:3:9, rates £3:12:8, Jordan 6/6. The Council having considered the reports of the Allotment Committee dated 17th and 27th June, Mr Hamblin moved, Mr Hodgson seconded and it was carried unanimously that Thomas Ambrose, J Beames, F Radford and H Young be given notice on 29th September next to quit their allotments on the 25th day of March following:

C Harding to take J Beames's

C Jukes to take H Young's

W G Poole to take J Ambrose's

G Brimble to take F Radford's.

As Frederick Barnes has not returned to the Parish the Clerk was instructed to give him notice, the allotment to be let to Geddes.

The Clerk was also instructed to give notice in September to Ernest Coles to leave it with wife and let allotment from March 25th to E Poole.

The Council directed the Clerk to see the Archgrove Allotment holders and ask them to trim their hedges.

It was reported that the upper road at the Archgrove allotments was blocked by rubbish from the adjoining allotments and the Clerk was instructed to see this removed. The Chairman reported that the

Clevedon Portishead and District Electric Supply Company had obtained powers for supplying electric light in an area which included the greater part of the parish of Long Ashton and that there was a prospect of the company being prepared at an early date to provide current for street lighting.

The opinion of the meeting was taken and it was unanimously resolved that the Council welcome the prospect of the village having street lighting and pledges itself to use its best endeavours to get the parish to adopt the Public Lighting Act provided the Company undertake to light the District on the terms of a letter to the Chairman dated July 8th 1912 from Messrs Christy Bros Ltd.

The Long Ashton Parish Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday October 8th 1912 at 6.30 p.m.

The Chairman Mr H B Napier presided and there were also present Messrs E Hale, J Hamblin, S Harding, C Hogson, H Jefferies.

Messrs Tucker and Withers were prevented from attending through illness.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr Hicks referring to Dr R A Fuller's resignation on the Board of Guardians and the District Council and stating that it was not proposed to take any action to fill the vacancy unless it were the wish of the Parish.

Mr Hamblin proposed and Mr Jefferies seconded that the Parish Council take no steps to fill up the vacancy.

Mr Jefferies proposed and Mr Hamblin seconded that G Davis' allotment at Bower Ashton be let to Wm Blackmore. This was agreed to.

C Burge having requested to be allowed to take F Radford's allotment and give up his to G Brimble the Clerk was authorised to make the alteration if the parties agreed. It was resolved to allow W Tucker to exchange allotments with F Davis. The Clerk produced receipts as directed.

H Napier