

## Long Ashton Parish Council

The above Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup> 1915 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Mr H B Napier in the Chair Mr H Jefferies Vice Chairman, and Messrs J Avery, J Barnes, C Hodgson and R E March.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr Withers wrote a letter apologising for non attendance owing to illness. Mr Hodgson reported on behalf of the Allotment Committee that Charles Vowles had been cautioned to keep his allotment cleaner that Plot 3 No 40 had been let to Mr Hynam. It was agreed to let R Hynam's Plot 5 No 2 free to Michelmas to Arthur Barnes. The Chairman undertook to have the gate of the Providence allotments repaired. The Ashton Court Estates' account £46.3.9 for allotment rent was passed for payment Mr R E March produced an exhaustive report and a list of all parishioners who up to the present were serving in various branches of His Majesty's Forces. It was resolved that the report and list be embodied in the minutes. Mr March was thanked by the Council for his trouble in the matter.

H B Napier.

A Special Parish Meeting was held at the Parochial Schools on Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup> 1915 at 7.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering a suggestion from the County Council for the widening and re-shaping of the main road at its junction with Yanley Lane. Mr H B Napier presided and there were also present Mr H Jefferies Vice Chairman, Dr R A Fuller and Messrs Withers, March, Tucker, Hodgson, Barnes, Poultney, Hale, W H Butler, Yeo, Stenner, Woodberry and Ratcliffe.

W H Jefferies proposed that this meeting approves of the suggestion of the County Council to widen and re-shape the main road in this Parish and its junction with Yanley Lane.

Mr W R Withers seconded the proposition and it was carried unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to send a copy of the resolution to the Clerk to the County Council.

H B Napier.

The Long Ashton Parish Meeting took place at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1915 at 7.30 p.m. Mr H B Napier presided over a small attendance of eleven parish councillors nine were present and also Mr W Butler and Mr Woodberry. The minutes of the last Parish Meeting and of the Special parish Meeting of February 17<sup>th</sup> were read and confirmed.

The Clerk reported that he had written the County Council re Yanley Lane and had received an acknowledgement of receipt of his letter dated February 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr R E March proposed and Mr H Jefferies seconded that the clerk wrote to Mr C Harris and Miss Baker thanking them for the way in which they had consented to the proposal to widen the road at Yanley Lane and also to Mr Stagg thanking him for his trouble in preparing the plan.

Mr A G Thomas read the reports of the Charity Trustees.

H B Napier

The Long Ashton Parish Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1915 Mr H B Napier presided.

There were also present Mr H Jefferies, Vice Chairman, and Messrs J Avery, J Barnes, S Harding, C Hodgson, R E March, W Tucker, and W R Withers.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr H B Napier proposed and Mr Hodgson seconded that the report of the allotment committee dated February 17<sup>th</sup> be adopted. Carried unanimously.

The Chairman suggested that Jones should cut the Upper Providence Hedge.

J Williams allotment was let to W Hurd. It was agreed that A Cole should take John Balls and John Barnes, C Jukes. It was decided that Roger Hinder ought to pay rent for the allotment taken from C Hassell.

It was resolved on the proposition of Mr Jefferies seconded by Mr Barnes that in future, every allotment holder be sent a copy of the rules under which he occupies his allotment and that in future every allotment holder must sign a form of agreement in a book to be retained by the clerk before he is allowed to take possession.

H B Napier.

The Long Ashton Parish Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> 1915 at 6.45 p.m. Present Mr H B Napier, Mr W Jefferies, and Messrs J Barnes, C Hodgson, R E March, W Tucker and W R Withers.

On the proposition of Mr Jefferies seconded by Mr Barnes Mr H B Napier was re-elected Chairman, Carried unanimously. Mr Napier accepted and took the chair.

Proposed by Mr Withers seconded by Mr March that Mr Jefferies accepted. Proposed by Mr Hodgson and seconded by Mr Withers and carried unanimously that Mr W J B Coombe be re-appointed and that Messrs. Rowland Adams and W I Gunn be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year. Carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed and Mr Barnes seconded that the Clerk write Mr Joseph Avery expressing the Council's appreciation of that gentleman's valuable services as Overseer for the thirteen years of office completed by him. Carried unanimously.

Mr March proposed and Mr Tucker seconded that Mr Hodgson be re-appointed Representative School Manager. Carried unanimously. Mr Hodgson accepted.

The Clerk reported that Jones could not make the hedge at Providence allotments and was directed to ask George Kingston to do the work. The Clerk also reported that allotment rules had been posted to all tenants and that agreements by new tenants had been signed.

It was resolved that the clerk write to the Rural District Council calling attention to the unsatisfactory state of the road at Kennel Lane arising from traction engines obstructing the road and to suggest that a pipe should be placed down the ditch for a distance of 30 yards which would prevent engines from taking water in the lane. The following resolution was also unanimously agreed upon:

That this Council wishes to call attention to the very serious nuisance to health arising from the faulty drain opposite Park View Cottage and asks that the nuisance may be abated immediately and till this can be carried out the sanitary inspector be instructed

to immediately provide disinfectants. Messrs. Jordans account for printing allotment rules and book of agreements and amounting to £1.2.6 was passed for payment.

H B Napier

The Long Ashton Parish Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1915 at 6.45 p.m.

Present M H B Napier in the chair, Mr H Jefferies, Vice Chairman, and Messrs J Avery, J Barnes R W March, W Tucker, C Hodgson, W R Withers.

The Clerk reported that the making of the Providence allotment hedge had been completed by George Kingston at a cost of twelve shillings.

A letter from Dr R A Fuller was read resigning his place on the Council.

Mr March proposed and Mr Barnes seconded that the vacancy be filled.

Mr Hodgson proposed and Mr Barnes seconded that Mr I Hamblin be co-opted to fill the casual vacancy. Carried unanimously.

It was agreed that Mrs Thompson's allotment should be let to Howell and failing him to D Marchment. Also that Lock should take Mrs Marsham's from March next. Mr Barnes reported theft from the allotments. It was unanimously agreed that J Dear should be summoned if the Council had the power, Mr March promised to see Mr Forbes and obtain information and it was decided that the Clerk should give Dear notice if he were convicted. The Chairman reported that Mr Walker was using a petrol engine to work the pump at the Sewage Disposal Works and that he, the Chairman had undertaken with Mr Walker that he might remove the engine when he desired to do so. The Council confirmed the action of the Chairman.

The Clerk reported that the District Council declined to carry out the Parish Council's suggestion re Kennel Lane. Mr Barnes called attention to the Short Lane, Providence and the Clerk was directed to write the Clerk to the Rural District Council requesting that their surveyor would attend to the necessary repairs.

Mr Jefferies called attention to the dangerous condition of the footbridge over the Ashton Brook on the church path leading from

the church path to Yanley Lane and the Clerk was directed to write the Clerk of the District Council calling his attention to the matter.

The Council having received a letter from the National Committee for Relief in Belgium with respect to the co-operation of the Council in assisting, the Clerk was instructed to reply that if the parish Council were approached by the District Council they the Parish Council would do what they could but at present they had undertaken many funds in relief of distress caused by the present war.

The Long Ashton Parish Council met at the Parochial Schools on Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup> 1915 at 6.45 p.m.

There were present Mr H B Napier in the chair, Mr H Jefferies Vice Chairman and Messrs I Barnes, S Harding, C Hodgson, R E March, W Tucker and W R Withers.

Mr Hodgson reported that Howell was leaving the Star Inn and that therefore Mrs Thompson's allotment was still to let from Lady Day next. It was agreed to offer it to F Day. The Clerk reported that Mr Hamblin was not prepared to accept the post of Councillor to fill the casual vacancy caused by Dr R A Fuller's leaving the village.

Mr Hodgson proposed and Mr Barnes seconded that Mr W J B Combe be invited to accept the post. Carried unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Tramway Company pointing out that it had been reported that the buses were using water at the Birdwell pump and informed the Company that if they wished to continue the practice permission should be asked from the Parish Council.

J Winscome and F Fudge having given notice to give up their allotments in March, it was agreed to offer Fudges to A Jenkins.

It was also agreed to let J Rossiter take J Dear's and to inform him that if he could make arrangements with Dear he could take it over at once.

It was resolved that S Ogborne's allotment be offered to Thompson of Bower Ashton and failing him to Gazzard or to Hellin.

If none of these parishioners would take it the Clerk to offer it to MacDonald.

The Clerk reported that he had been officially informed that there would be no Parish Council election next March. Mr Barnes brought forward the question of S Mitchell's allotment and it was agreed to let Mitchell keep it on account of his being on active service. The following accounts were passed for payment: Adams 3

/- repairs to water cart  
Jordan 6/6 printing.

H Napier.