

Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Church House, Long Ashton, on Tuesday the 20th January 1925 when Mr H Jefferies presided over the following members Messrs J Avery, O J Ball, H S Barnes, T T Barnes, C A H Fry, C Hodgson, W R Hollis and H S Wright.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and duly approved.

Matters arising out of same.

Clevedon Fire Brigade

A letter from the Clevedon R D Council of the 8th November thanking this Council for copy of their resolution of the 4th November was read. It further stated that at a meeting held on the 5th the offers made by this Council had been accepted and a resolution passed to the effect that an Engine should be purchased at a price of not exceeding £1400.

Lighting

With reference to the complaints made as to early extinguishing of the street lamps, and the late erection of the lamps at Providence a letter from the North Somerset Electric Supply Co of the 8th November was read in which they stated they regretted the cause of the complaints and that the matters complained of would have immediate attention.

It was reported that the removal of the different lamps suggested at the last meeting had taken place.

Letters from Dr Star, the Mount, and Mr J H Harvey of Ferndale, acceding to the wishes of the Council in the matter of cutting trees, were read. No replies had been received from Messrs. Napier, Handcock and Groves but it was stated the trees had been cut.

Footpath Main Road

Correspondence between the Clerk and the County Surveyor was placed before the Council and in a letter from the latter of the 19th November he stated that "the Post Office Authorities will be shortly laying a cable through Long Ashton therefore any expenditure would now be wasted.

No reply had been received from the Clerk County Council as to the condition of the ditch carrying surface water from Main Road down Birdwell Buildings.

Scavenging Agreement

Copy of this Agreement had been received from the R D Council and submitted to this Council.

Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co Ltd

The Manager of this Company wrote by letter of the 13th November stating his Company were arranging to run an additional bus as from 17th November leaving Research Station @ 9.24 a.m.

Path Ashton Hill

No reply had been received from Secretary Golf Club as to condition of footpath running at the foot of the hill to the Stone stile at Providence.

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet of the Overseers and that of the Council for the year to the 31st March last and which had been audited by the Ministry of Health on the 8th October were presented to the Council.

A copy of the balance sheet as to the expenditure in the matter of the Sewage Outfall Works and the supply of water to Providence for the year to the 25th March 1924 had been kindly supplied by Mr Hicks.

The amount now outstanding on the sewage loan was £2180.6.8.

He had also kindly furnished an extra of the Minutes of his Council of the 17 June showing what arrangements had been made in the matter of the purchase of the water supply at Providence.

It was in effect that the Bristol Water Works Co had agreed to take over the repayment of the loan at present outstanding. The Council expressed its approval of the arrangements made.

Allotment Committee's Report

Report of the Allotment Committee held January 6th 1925 when four members were present.

The Clerk reported no reply had been received from Mr E Williams of Cambridge Batch to letter of 24th September asking him to be good enough to have the fence at his grass allotment put in good repair. It was decided to ask for a reply and to enquire what action he proposed to take in the matter as the Council had recently been put to a great expense in putting these fences in repair. It was decided to write Mr H C Dingly that unless rent of allotment to September 1924 was immediately paid proceedings would be taken to enforce payment.

Allotments

Plot 7.2 Grass – H Barnett – let to G James

Plot 2.9 – St Martines E Symons let to J Poole.

Wayleaves

Clerk reported receipt of cheque 11/8, wayleaves for 1924

Accounts

Following accounts were passed for payment.

Ashton Court Estate, Rent to September 1924 £62.7

Overseers	Rates to March 1925	£5.6.7
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This report was adopted including the payment of the accounts mentioned therein on the motion of Mr C Hodgson seconded by Mr C A H Fry.

Correspondence

Letter from Mr E G Dyer of Providence thanking the Council for placing a street lamp outside Providence Chapel. Also from the Bristol Gas Company explaining the reasons why the supply of gas for Long Ashton was being delayed.

Also from the G W R ask to a reduction of their rateable assessments were read.

Assistant Overseer

The Assistant Overseer having written the Chairman with a view to ascertaining the opinion of the Council as to revising his salary owing to increased work, left the room and upon returning was informed by the Chairman that the following resolution proposed by Mr C A H Fry seconded by Mr W R Hollis had been unanimously carried. Viz

That the salary of the Assistant Overseer be £175 as from January 1st last to include the ordinary duties appertaining to the office of Assistant Overseer and Clerk to the Parish Council including attendances at Assessment Committee and Audits”.

The Clerk thanked the Council for their kindness.

Accounts – Lighting

Mr C Hodgson moved that the account of the North Somerset Electric Supply Co for £30.12.6 for the 3 months to the 31st December be paid, seconded by Mr Wright and carried.

The account of the Church Finance Committee £2.10 for the use of room for meetings for the year to the 31st December was passed for payment on the motion of Mr O J Ball seconded by Mr T J Barnes.

Herbert Jefferies – Chairman – signed March 16th 1925

March 16th 1925

Parish Meeting

A parish meeting for the election members of the Parish Council for the ensuing three years was held at the Church House, Long Ashton, on Monday the 16th March 1925 at 7 o'clock when a good number of parishioners were present.

Mr H Jefferies intimating he was unable to preside owing to being a candidate for election, Mr W R Hollis moved that Mr J H Pearce be voted to the Chair, seconded by Mr Fry and carried.

Mr Pearce upon taking the chair, immediately asked that nominations be handed in and after allowing the statutory 15 minutes for reception of same, announced he had received thirteen for the eleven seats and proceeded to read names of persons nominated, with name and addresses of proposers and seconders.

A vote was taken by show of hands the result being as follows:-

Ball	Oliver John	41
Barnes	Herbert Sidney	37
Barnes	Theodore Tom	40
Camps	William	21
Childe	George	40
Fry	C A H	42
Hodgson	Claude	24
Hollis	Wm R	35
Jefferies	Herbert	40
Locke	Arthur	20
Orum	CWF	4

Racliffe Alfred 25

Wright H S 36

The Chairman then declared the following elected as members of the Parish Council for the ensuing 3 years, Messrs Fry, Ball, Barnes TT, Childe, Jefferies, Barnes HS, Wright, Hollis, Ratcliffe, Hodgson and Camps.

Mr H Jefferies upon resuming the chair proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr Pearce for so ably presiding at the election and suggested that a letter be written Mr Avery of Leigh Woods signifying the gratitude of the parish for all he had done during the 20 years he had been a member of the Council and their regret he had not seen his way to continue.

After the Minutes had been read and confirmed the accounts of the Long Ashton Charity Trustees were produced and read by the Clerk, Mr A G Thomas.

Lighting

The Clerk read the accounts for street lighting for the period since its inception to the 31st March and Mr Fry moved that £140 be raised to cover expenses in connection with same for the year ending March 31 1926 seconded by Mr Hollis and carried.

Clevedon – Fire Brigade

The resolution of the Parish Council of the 4th November 1924 “that providing suitable appliances are found a sum of £25 be offered as a yearly retaining fee to the Clevedon Fire Brigade for services to be rendered in case of fire conditional on same being confirmed by a parish meeting” was confirmed by the meeting after Mr E Dawes, Capt of the Clevedon Fire Brigade had briefly addressed those present on the matter.

Captain Dawes was heartily thanked for kindly attending.

Speed Limit

Mrs Jefferies moved that a letter be written the County Council asking that a speed limit for motor cars through the village of Long Ashton may be fixed, seconded by Mr Hollis and carried.

Footpaths

Mr Orum asked if anything had been done in connection with the stopping of the footpath over the crossing at the railway and also as to the closing of the footpath through Mr Adams field.

The Chairman replied that the GWR had been approached concerning the first matter and that they denied the existence of the footpath at the spot mentioned. No doubt the second matter would be brought forward at the Council meeting which would follow.

Parish Meetings – Time

It was decided in future the parish meeting should commence at 7.30 p.m.

Herbert Jefferies – Chairman – signed March 2nd 1926

March 10th 1925

Report of Allotment Committee when three members were present.

Mr Williams had promised to repair fence.

No reply having received from Mr H C Dingley as to payment of his rent, it was decided to bring the matter before Council for their decision.

Allotments The following were let.

Bower Ashton	No 1 7	To	W Wedlock and B Matthews
Providence	55	To	Tom Barnes
	7		John Barnes
	10		J Carpenter
St Martins	2 9		Goodsir
	9 8		E Veale
Birdwell	8 1		W H Lewis

Arrears – seven persons were stated to be in arrear with their rent, and it was decided to bring same before the notice of the Parish Council if not paid.

Agreement Stamps – The Committee suggest that each new tenant on taking over an allotment after the 31st March inst when signing the Agreement Book should pay the necessary Stamp Duty.

March 16 1925

Parish Council

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Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising out of same

Path – Ashton Hill

It was reported that the path leading from the gate, Folleigh Lane, along the foot of the hill to the Stone Stile Providence had been repaired.

Balance Sheets

Clerk stated he had written thanking Mr Hicks for copy balance sheet dealing with sewage outfall works and particulars as to Providence Water Supply.

Correspondence

Letters from Mr C Lovell, Providence complaining of a cart standing in Short Lane, Providence outside his residence were read and it was decided same should lie on the table until next meeting.

GWR Rating Appeal

A reduction of £743 from the rateable value was the result of this appeal, meaning a loss of £190.6.10 on the two half year's rates.

Allotment Committee's Report

Arising out of this report, it was decided on the motion of Mr Fry, seconded by Mr Mitchell that Mr H C Dingley be proceeded against in the County Court for the recovery of the 7/6 half year's rent of allotment to 29th Sept 1924.

Arrears

This paragraph was referred back to the Committee to further deal with.

Agreement Stamps

Mr Hollis moved that in future after the 31st March all new allotment agreements should be signed over the requisite duty stamp the cost of same to be met, half by the Council and half by the new tenant, seconded by Mr O J Ball and carried.

Accounts

The following accounts were presented and ordered to be paid

North Somerset Electric Supply Co for lighting to March 32.10

Removing lamps 1. 0.11 33.10.11

Hadden 5.3

Envelope 5.6

Audit Stamp 2 - -

Postages Allotment 7.11

Council 5.8

Wayleaves 18.- - 4.2.4

Clevedon Printing Co 19 –

Public Lighting

It was reported by Mr T T Barnes that the lamps were being extinguished earlier than according to agreement and it was decided to call the company's attention to this.

Footpaths

Mr T T Barnes moved that Mr Adams be written asking him to remove the obstruction placed in the footpath that leads to the level crossing over the railway seconded by Mr H S Barnes and carried.

Tuesday the 21st April at 7 o'clock was the date fixed for the first meeting of the new Council.

Herbert Jefferies – Chairman – signed April 21st 1925

Parish Council

The first meeting of the new elected Council was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday evening the 21st inst when the following members were present, Messrs O J Ball, H S Barnes, T T Barnes, G E Childe, C A H Fry, C Hodgson, W R Hollis, H Jefferies, A Ratcliffe and H S Wright.

Chairman

All having signed Acceptance of Office, Mr H S Wright proposed that Mr H Jefferies be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing twelve months, seconded by Mr G E Childe and unanimously carried.

Vice Chairman

Mr C A Harrington Fry was chosen Vice Chairman on the motion of Mr C Hodgson seconded by Mr O J Ball.

Overseers

On the proposition of Mr C Hodgson seconded by Mr Fry Messrs N A Adams and W Butler were re-appointed to act as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising out of Same

Allotment Committee's Report

caused undesirable persons to trespass his field and poach in the tips.

On the motion of Mr T J Barnes seconded by Mr G E Childe it was resolved to press for the removal of the obstruction and so free the footpath.

School Representation

The County Education Committee had written reminding the Council that under Section 30 of the Education Act 1921 they were

entitled to appoint one of the local managers of the Long Ashton Parochial School and that the election of a new County Council and Parish Council necessitated re-appointment or fresh appointment at an early date.

Mr A Ratcliffe moved that Mr R E March be the Council's representative on the managing body of the Long Ashton Parochial Schools for the period of 3 years subject however to the provision that he may resign or may be removed by the appointing body but otherwise shall continue to act until his successor is appointed, seconded by Mr Hodgson and carried.

Charity Trustees

Mr H S Barnes proposed, Mr T J Barnes seconded and it was agreed that Messrs C Hodgson and R E March be re-appointed to represent the Council on the local Charity Trustees for 4 years in accordance with the terms of the Scheme at present in force.

Allotment Committee

The following members Messrs Ball, Barnes, Childe, Hollis and Ratcliffe were appointed to act as Allotment Committee the first four name, who were the previous committee, receiving the hearty thanks of the Council for the excellent services rendered by them in the past.

Short Lane, Providence

Mr T J Barnes moved, Mr H S Barnes seconded that the attention of the Rural District Council be drawn to the condition of the channelling in Providence Lane and suggest that same was somewhat dangerous to vehicles when turning into Short Lane. Carried.

Future Meetings – Time

On the proposition of Mr O J Ball seconded by Mr C A H Fry, it was unanimously agreed that in future meetings of the Council should commence at 8 o'clock.

Fire Brigade

Letter from Clevedon Fire Brigade of the 4th March asking that a stand pipe suitable for the water mains and to be kept on the engine might be supplied and pending the provision of same the address where one could be obtained was read.

It was resolved on the motion of Mr W R Hollis seconded by Mr H S Wright that a standpipe be obtained and Captain Dawes of Clevedon be authorised to purchase notifying this Council when he had done so.

Allotment Fence – Archgrove

Mr T J Barnes referred to damage done to the fence at the top of Archgrove Allotment and to the crops caused by horses belonging to the tenant of Fenswood Farm and he proposed that a letter be written the Bristol University Research Station owners of the same asking that the fence be repaired.

Seconded by Mr H S Barnes and carried.

Horse Drinking Trough

Reference was made to the broken condition of the railings at the rear of the Horse Drinking Trough in Merriotts field and Mr H S Barnes moved, seconded by Mr O J Ball that the attention of the Rural District Council be drawn to same pointing out that the damage to such was caused by horses grazing in the field belonging to the tenant of Parsonage Farm and that the fountain and railings were repaired as recent as August last.

Footpath – Main Road

It was resolved on the motion of Mr O J Ball seconded by Mr C A H Fry that a letter be written the County Council strongly complaining of the scandalous condition of the footpath through the village after the laying of a cable by the Post Office Authority and to the local county Councillor asking him to view same and to bring pressure to bear upon the proper authority to put same into a walkable condition.

Parish Meeting – Correspondence

Letter was read from Mr J Avery thanking the parish meeting for their vote of thanks.

Speed Limit

Also from the Clerk of the Peace stating that the speed limit for motor cars through Long Ashton was 20 miles an hour and if this was exceeded it was a matter for the Police.

Precepts

Precepts had been received from the Rural District Council and Guardians for £4695 which represented a decrease of £338 a 4/2 rate would cover this, being a decrease of 2d. Lighting rate was the same in the pound.

Special Rate, a call of £300 was made an increase of £100, necessitating 4d rate increase.

Account

The account of Mr Hicks 10/- for conducting an uncontested election was passed for payment.

Herbert Jefferies – June 30th 1925

June 30 1925

Parish Council

The quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held at The Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday June 30 when Mr H Jefferies presided over the following members, Messrs H S Barnes, T J Barnes, W Camps, GT E Childe, C A H Fry, W R Hollis and A Ratcliffe. Mr Camps first signing the usual "Acceptance of Office".

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Matters arising out of same.

Footpath – Mr Adams

The Clerk reported writing Mr Adams on the 22nd April informing him the Council felt they must press for removal of the obstruction previously complained of and thereby free the footway and that a reply had not been received.

On the motion of Mr H S Barnes, seconded by Mr Ratcliffe it was decided to write and press for a reply or removal of the obstruction within 7 days.

Short Lane, Providence

Letter from the District Council of the 20th May that the Surveyor had been directed to repair the channelling at Providence was read and it was reported by Mr Hollis that same had been done.

Fire Brigade

The Clerk reported informing the Clevedon Fire Brigade of the Council's sanction to purchase a standpipe and read further letters from Captain Dawes of 4th May and 25th June in which he pointed

out that one standpipe would be of little use on the occasion of a large fire.

It was agreed on the proposition of Mr Camps seconded by Mr Hollis that two standpipes be purchased and that the Fire Brigade telephone number Clevedon be circulated at prominent places in the village. It was also decided to ask the local exchange operator to have the number exhibited prominently in the exchange in case of emergency.

Allotment Fence Archgrove

Letter from this Council to Mr West, Secretary Manager of the University Research Station of the 24th April asking that the railings at the top of the Archgrove Allotments damaged by the horses of the tenant of Fenswood Farm might be repaired was read.

Mr Fry proposed, Mr T J Barnes seconded that the Clerk write again pointing out that up to the present nothing had been done.

Horse Drinking Trough

Mr Hollis reported that the railings at the rear of this trough had been repaired.

Footpath – Main Road

Letters from this Council to the County Council and Col W O Gibbs as to the scandalous condition of the footpath after laying of a cable by the Post Office authorities with replies of the County Surveyor (2nd May) and the County Councillor (6th May) were read.

Mr Camps moved that the County Council be asked to expedite the re-instatement of the footpath from the 4th milestone lane to the city boundary by engaging a gang of men immediately so that same may be placed in a walkable condition at an early date.

Seconded by Mr T J Barnes and carried.

Mr Childe proposed that the attention of the County Council be drawn to the wall at Archgrove a portion of which fell owing to the opening of the footpath, as well as to the obstruction of the footpath opposite Bow Lane by timber shorting the wall and ask

that same might be removed. Seconded by Mr Ratcliffe and carried.

Report of the Allotment Committee's Meeting held on the 21st April and June 23rd.

Wayleaves

Clerk reported receiving 1/7 in respect of two years wayleaves, electric standard, Archgrove Allotment and had paid same to the tenant (H Poole) of the allotment affected.

Allotments

The committee have dealt with the letting of various allotments but there are still two vacant, one at Flax Bourton and the other at Providence.

Arrears

Only outstanding arrears are H Hazell 7/6, M J Lavis 7/6 and J Collins 3/9.

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet of the accounts for the year ending March 1925 was duly considered and the committee are gratified with the condition of the Allotment Fund, the large balance of £68.5.9 enabling the rent to March last being met.

In future the rent as it falls due can be now paid out of current revenue, the first time since the inception of this Parish Council.

Such a result has only been attained through rigid economy and the application of accounts to the proper fund.

Accounts

Ashton Court – Rent to March 1925 £62.7 and rates £5.6.8 were passed for payment.

It was decided on the suggestion of Mr Hollis to complain of the lack of sweeping the sides of the Main Road thereby allowing paper, grit, rubbish to be accumulated.

Allotment Committees Report

Arising of same, Mr H S Barnes reported that the allotment at Providence had since been let and on the motion of Mr Hollis seconded by Mr Childe it was agreed to have the allotment No 1 at Flax Bourton cleansed of weeds and seeding plants the expense of same to be met by the Council.

Arrears

It was resolved on the proposition of Mr Hollis seconded by Mr Childe that a final notice be sent each of the persons in arrear.

Balance Sheets

The Allotment Committee was heartily congratulated on the healthy state of the finances on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr Fry.

Accounts

Cheques were signed for the following accounts:

Ashton Court Estate Rent to March 25 £62.7.0

Overseers Rates to September 25 £5.6.8

Correspondence

The Clerk was asked to remind the Council of the circular letter of 14th May of the Clerk of the County Council as to the conduct of Parish Council elections just prior to the next election.

He also reported receipt of notification from the County Rate Committee of their proposal to removed the basis or standard of the County Rate for the parish from £22437 to £24024 – no action taken.

It was decided to reply to Mr Harvey's letter of the 26th May as to the condition of the footpaths on both sides of the road at Elmdale that the Council was dealing with the matter.

Also to ask the County Council to see that material belonging to the Post Office Contractor deposited on the footpath opposite Elmdale was removed immediately.

The consideration of the letter of the 27th June from Mr C S Willis of Avening Ridgeway asking that two electric lamps might be affixed in Folleigh Lane was deferred until the next meeting on the proposition of Mr Camps seconded by Mr Childe.

GWR Rateable Values

The Clerk reported that the G W R rateable valued had been further reduced £115 for the year 1925/26 making a gross reduction of £958.

Account

The account of the North Somerset Electric Supply Co for public lighting for the quarter to the 30th June £32.10 was directed to be paid.

Archgrove Allotment – Gate

Mr Hollis moved and Mr T J Barnes seconded that permission be given Mr H Chorley to erect a gateway at and a clothes line in his allotment at Archgrove on condition he does so at his own cost, and that same shall be for his use only, carried.

Garden – Mission Room

Letter was directed to be sent asking the Rev G H Lea to be good enough to cut down and burn weeds and thistles in the garden in front of the Mission Room at Birdwell.

Providence

Attention was drawn by Mr H S Barnes to the position of an iron pipe at the entrance of Sunny Ridge, Providence Lane causing surface water to flow into lane and also to the condition of the covers of the Inspection Chambers at Providence which at present were a source of much danger to horses and pedestrians.

It was decided to draw the attention of the District Council to these matters as well as to the cutting of the grass on the bank of the allotment in Keads Lane.

Herbert Jefferies signed September 29th 1925.

December 15 1925

Parish Council

Mr H Jefferies presided over a meeting of the Parish Council held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday December 15 the other members present being Messrs O J Ball, H S Barnes, T T Barnes, W Camps, G E Childe, C A H Fry, C Hodgson, W R Hollis and A Ratcliffe.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of same

Footpath – Mr Adams RDC

Clerk read letter received from the R D Council of the 9th November that as the footpath was not marked on the Ordnance Sheet they could not move in the matter.

Allotment Fence – Archgrove

In a letter of the 22nd October from Mr West, Secretary of the University of Bristol Research Station it was stated that instructions had been given to have the railings put upright and a strand of barbed wire erected outside the iron fence.

It was decided to thank Mr West for his letter and to ask that the work might be put in hand before the allotment holders commence planting their allotments.

Public Lighting – Folleigh Lane

It was reported two camps had been erected in Folleigh Lane and that it was found necessary to purchase an extra pole at a cost of £3. The action of the sub committee was confirmed.

Archgrove Allotment Gate

The Clerk read letter written Mr Chorley the 5th October as per instructions of the previous meeting.

Providence – Sewer – Manholes

A letter from Clerk to the Long Ashton R D Council of the 9 November was read stating that the District Surveyor reports that the work of repairing the inspection chambers at Providence has been put in hand.

As the work had not been done Messrs Fry and Hollis, the District Councillors stated they would look into the matter.

Footpath near Clifton Bridge Station

The Chief Engineering of the G W R Paddington wrote 5th December that enquiries had been made into the matter and it cannot be ascertained that the Company are under any obligation to maintain the length of footpath referred to.

It was decided to make sure the pathway was within the City boundary and then write to the City Engineer.

Correspondence

Mr Fry moved that circular letters dealing with Rating and Valuation Bill and payment of compensation for loss through Air Raids lie on the table, seconded by Mr Camps and carried.

Public Lighting

Letter was read from Mr S W Smith of Merrywood, Flax Bourton asking that the roadway from the Cider Institute should be publicly lighted, but more especially from Cambridge Batch to the Railway Station. Also a petition from inhabitants of Chestnut Road as to the lighting of that locality.

Mr Fry moved, Mr Camps seconded that as the Council had exhausted the funds at their disposal, the correspondents be informed of such and suggest they should bring the matter forward at the parish meeting to be held in March next. Carried.

Allotment Committee's Report

Two accounts were present for payment and directed to be paid.

W Morgan Repairs to gate Providence 15/-

Rates to March 1926 5.4.9

Accounts

On the motion of Mr Ball, seconded by Mr H S Barnes the following were directed to be paid:

North Somerset Electric Supply Co

52 Lamps to Dec 1925 32.10 –

2 Additional lamps 8.4

Cost of Pole 3.- -

Church Finance – Use of Room 2.10. –

Secondary School

Mr Fry explained to the Council that the County Council was somewhat pressed to build a secondary school somewhere in the immediate neighbourhood to cover the North Somerset area of the County.

Two schemes had been brought forward

(1) To purchase land and build a school at Yatton at an approximate cost of £20,000.

(2) To purchase the present school buildings at the Poor Law Institution field and hospital adjoining and separate same from existing Union Buildings. Cost of this with drainage scheme and separate entrance estimated to be £5,000.

Mr Fry said he had been asked to place this matter before them with a view to obtaining an expression of opinion. An objection to the second scheme he stated, was owing to the close proximity of the Union Buildings.

Several members expressed themselves in favour of the second scheme on the ground of expense.

After some discussion as to the wording of the proposition, it was ultimately proposed by Mr Hollis seconded by Mr H S Barnes and carried.

“This council does not think the adaption of the Institution School at Flax Bourton as a secondary school would be detrimental to the interest of the children attending same”.

The Clerk was directed to send same to Lt Col W O Gibbs, the County Councillor.

Footpath – Main Road

The attention of the County Councillor was also directed to be drawn to the condition of the footpath from Fenswood Farm to Cambridge Batch also to the footpath in general through the village, it being in places most uncomfortable to walk upon.

Herbert Jefferies – Chairman – signed March 2nd 1926.