

9 March 1937

### Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday 9 March 1937 Mr H Jefferies presiding over a small attendance of parishioners.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of same

### Election of Parish Councillors

The Chairman informed those present that an Order dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1936 had been granted by the County Council under section 57 of the Local Government Act 1933.

### Parochial Charity

The accounts of the Long Ashton Parochial Charity for the year 1936 were read by the Clerk (R E March) the balance in hand at the end of the year being £107.5.1.

### Lighting and Watching Act

Expenditure for 1936-37 amounted to £269.4.- and the Chairman informed the meeting that owing to a reduction in the charge per lamp it was estimated the cost for 121 lamps for the year 1937-38 would amount to £246.10.9 and that there was a balance in hand of £48.5.3.

Mr Ball moved that the amount to be raised to cover expenses in connection with street lighting for the year ending March 31 1938 be £210, seconded by Mr Tissington and carried.

### Recreation Ground

The Chairman announced he had received a letter from Mr Bertram Worrall, Agent Ashton Court Estate, as to this matter, same being read by the Clerk.

Mr G Tissington moved that the Hon Mrs Smyth be thanked for her generous offer, seconded by Mr N Pearce and carried.

A general discussion ensued Messrs Ball, Hollis, Pearce and Tissington taking part, the latter stating he had approached King George V Fields Foundation.

After a proposal by Mr Pearce and an amendment by Mr Hollis had received equal support Mr Tissington moved that the offer contained in Mr Worrall's letter of the 5 March 1937 by the Honourable Mrs Smyth to make a gift of one acre for the use and benefit of the children of the parish as a recreation and play ground be gratefully accepted and that the Parish Council be empowered to go into the matter with a view to acquiring further land for a recreation ground and report to a Parish Meeting specially convened for the purpose. Seconded by Mr Hollis and carried.

Pathway from Main Road to Rayens Cross Road

Mr Clifford Hodgson drew attention to the condition of this approach and on the motion of Mr Hollis it was decided to ask the Parish Council to go into the matter with a view to carrying out repair of same.

Herbert Jefferies – signed 8 March 1938

9 March 1937

Parish Council

A meeting of the Council was held after the Parish Meeting Mr Jefferies presiding over the following members Messrs Ball, Bright, Gait, Hicks and Tissington.

Apologies were received from Messrs Armstrong, Barnes, Childe and Fry.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arising there from

Bus Stop Signs

The reply from Ministry of Transport of the 6<sup>th</sup> January was to the effect that the erection and citing of the signs was a matter primarily for the consideration of the highway authority concerned, but that enquiries would be made whether they could with advantage be re-sited.

It was decided to write Ministry of Transport again.

Bower Ashton – Footpath

Reply of the 22<sup>nd</sup> December sent Mr R G James.

Lighting – Yanleigh Croft

Council informed that the Company was written on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December the members were of opinion £12 for the erection of a pole and fittings was excessive and if they were unable to reduce this amount could they suggest any other method whereby a lamp could be fixed in the neighbourhood.

Footpath – Leigh Woods

The County Surveyor by letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> January wrote he was arranging to lay a length of kerbing on the corner of North Road, Leigh Woods, in order to protect this footpath.

## Manhole Covers

No reply having been received to the Council's letter of the 22<sup>nd</sup> December decided to write Rural District Council again.

## Correspondence

### Telephone Exchange –

H M Office of Works wrote 1<sup>st</sup> January 1937 asking if Council would raise any objection to the erection of automatic Telephone Exchange on the Bristol side of Glebe Side.

Clerk informed Council that after consultation with the Chairman he had replied the Council would not raise any objection. Action confirmed.

### Rights of Way – Leigh Woods

Clerk instructed to inform Mr E M Harley this Council had no information as to Rights of Way in Leigh Woods.

### Naming of Streets and Number of Houses

Letter of 25 February 1937 from Rural District Council. Clerk to enquire of Mr Armstrong as to names of roads in Leigh Woods.

To reply to letter the Council had no objection to Ridgeway being called Ridgeway Road and to suggest that the Main Road should be described as follows from

Bristol Boundary to Church	Park Road
Church to School	Bristol Road
School to Providence	Wycke Road
Providence to Cambridge Batch	Weston Road

### National Council Social Service

It was decided to supply the information desired as to election of Parish Councillors.

## Lighting

Clerk reported receipt of Agreement of 29 December 1937 signed by Directors of the North Somerset Electric Supply Co

Cheques were drawn in respect of the following accounts.

North Somerset Electric Supply Co Ltd

To half costs of preparing and stamping agreement for public lighting 18.-.-

Public Lighting

Long Ashton

95 lamps @ 40/9 48.7.10

Leigh Woods

24 @ 40/9 12.4.6

1 @ Providence included in 95 (23 Dec)

1.-

1 @ Yanleigh Lane 8 Jan

9.3

1 @ ditto 12 Jan

8.10

£62.9.5

Allotment Committee's Report

Mr Ball submitted this Report and dealing with the first paragraph suggested and it was agreed the R D Council be asked to fix mesh wire when erecting fence a long southern boundary of Archgrove Allotment to prevent rabbits from entering same.

The Committee were meeting to draw lost as to the plots in new allotments and asked Council's sanction to incur the necessary expense in cleaning roadway ready for the tenants. Agreed. Paragraphs 2 were adopted on the motion of the Chairman while action on paragraph 4 to be deferred to the present.

The last paragraph was passed and cheques drawn in respect of the accounts mentioned therein.

Accounts

Cheques were also drawn for the following items.

Clerk's salary

£11.5.-

Audit Stamp  
Postages

3.-. –  
1.3.3 ½

Special Expenses

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ending March 1936 in connection with sewage water and scavenging was placed before the meeting.

Precept

Expenses for the year were estimated as follows:

Lighting £210; Fire Brigade £25; General Expenses £55. There being a balance in hand of £23 it was decided to serve a Precept on the Rating Authority for £135 for the first half year.

Next Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was fixed for April 20.

Recreation Ground

The Clerk was instructed to deal with Mr Worrall's letter of 5 March as decided by Parish Meeting and to enquire the purchase price of the 2 ½ acres mentioned as well as adjoining land.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 20 April 1937

20 April 1937

Parish Council

The Annual Meeting of the Council was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April the following members being present, Messrs Ball, Barnes, Cass, Evans, Fry, Jefferies, Morrish, Pearce and Tissington.

All the members present having signed "Acceptance of Office".

Chairman

Mr Fry moved that Mr Pearce seconded Mr H Jefferies be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing 12 months. Carried.

Vice Chairman

On the proposition of Mr Barnes seconded by Mr Morrish, Mr Fry was unanimously re-elected Vice Chairman.

Apologies for inability for attend owing to illness were received from Messrs Mitchell and West.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Archgrove Allotments

Clerk reported writing R D Council as to erecting mesh wire in these allotments.

Recreation Ground

Letter of the 16 April from Agent Ashton Court Estate was read in which he stated with reference to the 2 ½ acres mentioned in his letter of the 5 March he was prepared to advise the Trustees of the Estate that this be sold to the Parish Council at the price freehold of £400 (Four Hundred Pounds). On the proposition of Mr Tissington seconded by Mr Cass it was carried that a sub committee be appointed to go into the matter of acquiring the land as a Recreation Ground.

It was agreed that Messrs Evans, Morrish, Pearce and West be appointed as such sub committee.

#### School Manager

It was unanimously resolved that Mr Norman Pearce be the Council's representative on the managing body of the Long Ashton Parochial School for the period of 3 years subject however to the provision that he may resign or be removed by the appointing body but otherwise shall continue to act until his successor is appointed.

#### Charity Trustees

Messrs R E March and F G Evans were appointed to represent the Council on the Charity Trustees for a period of 4 years on the motion of Mr Barnes seconded by Mr Morrish.

#### Swann Benefaction

Mr Fry moved and Mr Barnes seconded that Mr Cass of Kingston Lodge, Leigh Woods be appointed to represent the residents of St Mary's Leigh Woods, as one of the Trustees of this fund. Carried.

#### Rating and Valuation Act 1925

Messrs Butter and Morrish were appointed representatives on this Committee until 31 March 1940 or until their successors are appointed.

#### Allotment Committee

The following were elected to serve as Allotment Committee, Messrs. O J Ball, H S Barnes, G E Childe, S Mitchell, A Morrish and G Tissington.

#### Lighting Committee

Messrs. Ball, Cass, Childe, Mitchell and Tissington were appointed as Lighting Committee.

#### Parish Meeting Minutes

Pathway from Main Road to Rayens Cross Road. On the suggestion of Mr Fry it was agreed that in view of the proposed extension of Rayens Cross Road the question of repair of this pathway be deferred for the present.

#### Election of Parish Councillors

Letter of the 6<sup>th</sup> April with copy declaration of Result of Poll for the election of Parish Councillors for this parish showing candidates duly elected, received from Returning Officer.

#### Bower Ashton

A further letter received 18 March 1939 from Mr RG James enclosing letter from Ashton Court Estate as to repair of pathway leading from Bower Ashton to Ashton Park. Mr James stated he had been informed the pathway in question was a church path.

It was decided to bring the matter to the notice of the County Council as well as the state of the pathway through Merriotts field and the condition of the date at the Bristol entrance of the field.

#### Accounts

Cheques were drawn in respect of the following accounts:

##### General Fund

Clevedon U D C Fire Brigade	£12.10.-
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##### Allotment Fund

A W Stone – Services rendered in measuring ground At Birdwell	1.11.6
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W Mitchell – Making & Clearing hedge Wild Country Lane	4.7.6
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W Mitchell Making hedge & clearing hedge at Birdwell	3.-.-
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##### Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co Ltd

On the proposition of Mr Jefferies seconded by Mr Tissington it was resolved to ask the above Company in view of the danger to passengers in crossing the roadway at the terminus of the buses

at the Tramways Centre that passengers be conveyed to and allowed to alight at the point where the journey commences.

It was decided on the motion of Mr Barnes to ask the Company to kindly institute return tickets on buses through Long Ashton up to 8 a.m.

Next meeting – the date of the next meeting was fixed for 15 June.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 15 June 1937

15 June 1937

Parish Council

The quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday the 15 instant when Mr Jefferies presided over a full Council.

Mr Sidney Mitchell signed "Acceptance of Office"

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising out of same

Name of Streets

Mr Cass replied 4 May and suggested the following names for the roads numbered on Mr Armstrong's rough sketch of Leigh Woods:

1 Valley Road; 2 St Mary's Road; 3 Church Road; 4. Vicarage Road; 5 Bannerleigh Road.

He felt as he understood there was a strong feeling against the roads being name, the Rural District Council, before doing so should consult the residents on the matter. The roads already named from Clifton Suspension Bridge and the Lodge.

Bridge Road from the Lodge to the end of the parish boundary.  
Abbots Leigh Road from the Suspension Bridge to the junction of Rownham Hill – Burwalls Road from Abbots Leigh Road along side of Nightingale Valley to Suspension Bridge.

North Road.

On the proposition of Mr Pearce seconded by Mr Tissington it was decided to send copy of this letter to the R D Council.

Bower Ashton

In reply to the Council's letter of the 26 April the County Council wrote 27 April it would seem the paths are church paths and that the County Council as Highway Authority were not concerned with their repair and maintenance.

A further letter was sent to the County Council on the 27 May pointing out that the definition of highway in the Highway Act 1835 included Churchways and that the Long Ashton R D Council had always repaired church paths.

It was decided to ask for a reply to this letter.

#### Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co Ltd

This company wrote by letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> April that they were giving the matter of the Bus Terminus on the Tramway Centre and the institution of return tickets their attention.

#### Casual Vacancy

On the motion of Mr Tissington it was unanimously resolved Mr Childe should fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr E S West.

#### Notice Board

Mr Pearce moved and Mr Evans seconded that permission be asked of the Trustees of Providence Chapel and Hebron Hall to exhibit notices on their notice boards. Carried.

#### Report of the Recreation Ground Sub Committee

This report was adopted on the proposition of Mr Fry seconded by Mr Tissington, the Council deciding to hold a Parish Meeting at the Church House on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 1937 at 8.30 to consider the matter.

#### Hedges

The Clerk was directed to write occupiers of land to cut hedges adjoining the following footpaths – viz; from Hobwell along Hill House to Folleigh Lane from Wicket Gate, Folleigh Lane, along foot of the hill to Short Lane Providence and from the level crossing to the Research Station.

#### Grass Allotment – Wild Country Lane

Mr Mitchell drew attention to the rough stones left in the entrance to this allotment and it was decided to ask the County Council that the surface of such might be improved.

#### Footpath

It was agreed to write on the suggestion of Mr Barnes seconded by Mr Fry the County Council asking them to resurface the footpath from the Ark to the Church House.

#### House Refuse

Mr Cass proposed seconded by Mr Barnes that the R D Council be written asking them to try and arrange to collect the house refuse at Leigh Woods weekly instead of fortnightly as at present.  
Carried.

#### Providence

Mr Morrish drew attention that the trap at the bottom of Providence needed cleansing. Resolved to write County Council.

#### Traffic Lights

On the motion of Mr Pearce the Clerk was instructed to write the Chief Constable Bristol as to advisability of causing a green arrow to be added to the existing traffic lights at the City boundary to allow traffic to filter into Ashton Avenue and thereby lessen the traffic congestion weekends and holidays.

#### Accounts

Cheques were drawn for the following accounts:

##### General Fund

A G Evans Returning Officer conducting contested election  
Of Parish Councillor's test of such £24.3.7

Clerk's Salary 11.5.-

##### Lighting Fund

North Somerset Electric Supply Co

Long Ashton 97 @ 40/9	49.8.2
Leigh Woods 24 @ 40/9	12.4.6
61.12.8	

Allotment Fund  
G E Handcock  
Demand notes and receipt books 1.4.-

Next Meeting – it was decided to hold the next meeting on  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 7 September 1937

## Report of Recreation Ground Sub Committee

The sub committee Messrs Evans; Morrish and Pearce appointed by the Council at the last meeting to go into the question of acquiring the 2 ½ acres of land referred to in Mr Worrall's letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> March 1937, so as to give facilities to the adult parishioners for football, tennis and other games, met on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May Mr Pearce being appointed Chairman.

Correspondence with Mr Worrall was placed before the Sub-Committee by which it was understood that the roadway is not included in the sale and that the Parish Council would have equal rights over same with the Estate and the University of Bristol and that any damage done thereto the Council might be called upon to bear their share of the expense of re-instatement and repair.

A further meeting was held on Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup> when the Sub Committee, while of the opinion the land was not as suitable as they would wish for a Recreation Ground, after having taken steps to seek other land more suitable, but without success, decided to recommend the Parish Council to call a Parish Meeting for the purpose of purchasing this 2 ½ acres, and with a view to future developments as may be required.

The Sub Committee is further of the opinion that the product of half-penny rate would be sufficient to cover the interest on the price as well as the necessary upkeep.

9 July 1937

### Parish Meeting

A Parish Meeting was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Friday 9 July 1937 to consider the question of purchasing land at Birdwell as a Recreation Ground.

There was a large attendance of parishioners over which Mr H Jefferies presided.

The Chairman explained the object and reason for calling the meeting while Mr Pearce informed those present what steps the Council through a sub committee had taken in the matter. A general discussion ensued Messrs T Barnes, G Hill, J C Bright, H Chorley and B Cass taking part.

Mr Norman Pearce moved

That this Parish Meeting specially convened for the purpose held at the Church House, Long Ashton on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 1937 hereby consent and agree to the purchase of 2 ½ acres of land at Birdwell in the said parish for use as a Recreation Ground and that application be made to the County Council and to the Minister of Health for consent to borrow such sum as may be required for the purpose of acquiring such land for such purpose, which was seconded by Mr J D Turner.

An amendment that the meeting being of the opinion the land was not large enough for the purpose of Recreation Ground same be not purchased, was proposed by Mr G Hill seconded by Mr T T Barnes.

The amendment received 17 votes 21 against.

Mr Pearce's motion was eventually carried by 22 votes to 15.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 8 March 1937

7 September 1937

Parish Council

The quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held at The Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday 7 September 1937 Mr H Jefferies presiding over the following members, Messrs. Ball, Childe, Fry, Mitchell, Morrish and Pearce.

Acceptance of Office was signed by Mr G E Childe who was welcomed by the Chairman. Mr Childe expressed his appreciation of the kindness of the members in Co-opting him at the previous meeting on the Allotment and Lighting Committee and electing him to fill the vacancy and that he was prepared to assist in any way possible.

Apologies were received from Messrs Cass and Evans who were away from home.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and signed.

Arising there from

Naming of Streets – Leigh Woods

The Clerk reported writing R D Council as directed at the last meeting.

Bower Ashton – Church Path

Letter received from the County Council 17 July 1937. While admitting the word “highway” section 5 of the Highway Act 1835 means including other things – a churchway, it is necessary to read into the statutory definition, the word, Churchways are common only to the inhabitants of a particular hamlet or parish and are not highways at common law and therefore the common law liability to repair does not exist.

It was decided to send copy of the correspondence to the local county councillor asking him to be good enough to inspect paths and bring matter to the notice of the County Council.

Bristol Tramways Carriage Co Ltd

Letter read from the Co of the 13 July it was regretted the existing arrangements for alighting from and boarding omnibuses at the Tramway Centre cannot be altered. Further letter from the Company of the 16 August stated that return fares would be issued from 23 August up to and including 8 a.m. from Centre to Cider Institute but not Sundays, Good Fridays, Christmas Day or Bank Holidays.

#### Notice Board – Providence

Mr E G Dyer of Hebron Hall, Providence wrote by letter of the 30 June that he was having a separate notice board for parish notices erected near the hall. It was decided to write and thank Mr Dyer.

Arising out of this enquiries to be made of Mr Hurd as to charge for erecting notices and cleansing of notice boards, and clerk to obtain estimates as to making and fixing a notice board near Archgrove Allotments.

#### Recreation Ground

It was reported that at the Parish Meeting held on the 9 July consent was given to the purchase of land at Birdwell for use as a recreation ground and that application be made of ministry of health and county council for consent to borrow money to purchase such land.

#### Hedges

Letters written Research Station, Golf Club and Mr E B James, as to cutting hedges.

Replies had been received from the first two and it was stated Mr James had complied with the request of the Council.

#### Footpath near Church House

Clerk reported no reply as to this his letter to the County Council of the 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

#### House Refuse – Leigh Woods

Letter of the 22<sup>nd</sup> July from the R D Council was read that immediate arrangements were being made with Contractor as to a weekly collection of house refuse in Leigh Woods J M Pearce informed Council that arrangements had been made.

#### Providence – Roadside Trap

No reply received from County Council as to this but Mr Morrish stated that cleansing of the trap had been attended to.

#### Car Terminus – Traffic Lights

Chief Constable Bristol wrote 23 June that if traffic is permitted to have an uninterrupted run from Bridge to Ashton Avenue pedestrians will have little opportunity to cross the road for this reason he did not recommend the use of green arrow. When traffic is abnormally heavy, signals are discontinued and traffic controlled by a Constable, allowed to filter at the same time consideration is given to the passage of pedestrians.

#### Precept

On the motion of Mr Childe seconded by Mr Fry it was decided to serve precept on Rating Authority for £55 General Expenses, £105 Lighting for half year ending March 1938.

Balance Sheet of Accounts for 1936/37 showed balances in hand of £24.7.9 General £109.3.11 Allotments £48.5.3 Lighting.  
Charity Trustees

Clerk read correspondence with Charity Commissioners as to the appointment of Mr Evans and himself.

#### Lighting

Mr Childe moved seconded by Mr Morrish that Bristol Water Works Co be written with a view to having the hedge cut as it somewhat obscured the light from the street lamp.

#### Accounts

The following accounts were passed and cheques drawn for payment:

## Lighting

North Somerset Electric Supply Co	
Long Ashton 97 @ 40/9	49.8.2
Leigh Woods 24 @ 40/9	12.4.6
	61.12.8

## Allotments

Ashton Court Estate rent	39.2.9
Wayleaves 1936	9.7
E Gait cleaning allotments	10.-

## General

Clevedon Fire Brigade	12.10.-
Clerk's Salary	11.-5.-
Clevedon Printing Co	1.5.-
G E Handcock Ltd	7.6

## Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported concerning this.

Reply sent Secretary Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association as to King George Field Foundation 10<sup>th</sup> August.

Letters sent Carnegie United Kingdom Trust and National Playing Fields Association 10 August and their replies of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> August respectively.

Letter sent Ministry of Health 22 June and reply 30 June.

Correspondence with County Council from 22 June to 31 August inclusive.

Leaflet from Board of Education as to application for grants under Physical Training and Recreation Act 1937.  
Clerk instructed to write Miss B Spencer B A 42 Bridge Street, Taunton, concerning this.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Morrish seconded by Mr Childe and unanimously carried.

“This Council unanimously resolve that application be made to the Minister of Health for his consent to borrow the sum of £450 for the purpose of acquiring a piece of land approximately 2 a 1n 31p at Birdwell in the parish of Long Ashton for use as a Recreation Ground.”

For the purpose of obtaining a report as to the suitability and valuation of the land the Clerk to confer with Mr Maynard Froud on the matter.

To write the Ashton Court Estate asking that steps might be taken to prevent the Contractor making the roadway in the old Birdwell Allotments from using the land known as the Recreation Ground.

Roadside Banks and Hedges

To write County Council asking that the banks in Yanleigh Lane might be cut. Also to write Mrs Howard as to bushes overhanging footpath.

Manhole

Clerk to write R D Council as to the condition of manhole in Bow Lane.

Also to ask the D Council if the Bristol Corporation had of a recent date made any connection with the Long Ashton main sewer in the vicinity of Bower Ashton and Ashton Vale and whether the Corporation had any power to so connect.

Next Meeting - It was decided that the quarterly meeting should be held 14 December 1937.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 14 December 1937

5 October 1937

## Parish Council

A meeting of the Council specially convened was held at the Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday 5 October 1937 the following members were present Mr H Jefferies (Chairman) Messrs Ball, Barnes, Cass, Evans, Mitchell and Pearce.

## Recreation Ground

Clerk read correspondence which had passed between the County Council and himself since the Council's meeting of the 7<sup>th</sup> September also Report of the 22<sup>nd</sup> September of Messrs Maynard Froud and Stevens, Surveyors with reference to the value and suitability of the land.

After discussion it was proposed by Mr Pearce that the resolution by Mr Morrish, seconded by Mr Childe and carried at the previous meeting be rescinded and the following substituted.

"This Council unanimously resolve that application be made to the Minister of Health for his consent to borrow the sum of £400 for the purpose of acquiring a piece of land approximately 2a 1n 31p at Birdwell in the parish of Long Ashton for use as a Recreation Ground".

This was seconded by Mr Barnes and unanimously carried.

It was decided to reply to the County Council that the sum of £400 was purchase price alone and the matter of levelling or draining the land as suggested in the Report had not been considered.

Herbert Jefferies – signed 14 December 1937

14 December 1937

## Parish Council

The quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held at The Church House, Long Ashton on Tuesday 14 December 1937 Mr H Jefferies presiding over the following members, Messrs. Ball, Evans, Fry, Mitchell, Morrish and Pearce and Tissington.

Prior to the commencement of the business the Chairman made feeling reference to the recent death of Mr B C Cass who represented the Leigh Woods portion of the parish and suggested the Clerk write Mrs Cass. This was agreed and Mr Morrish kindly consented to represent the Council at the service to be held at Leigh Woods the next day.

Minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> September and 5<sup>th</sup> October were read and signed.

Arising there from

## Bower Ashton – Church Path

The Clerk reported sending copy correspondence concerning this matter to the Local County Councillor who had informed him he was giving same his attention.

## Notice Board

Mr Hurd had stated he could not undertake the cleansing of notice board and suggested Mr Lewis might be willing to do so. Left to the Clerk to see Mr Lewis.

Estimates for the erection of a board near the Archgrove Allotments had been received from Mr Yates 20 x 24 ins – 15/- and from Mr Bast a board similar to the one outside Church House, £3.5.

Neither of these prices included cost of fixing.

The Clerk to ascertain of Mr Yates cost of one 24 x 36 with two uprights and weather board.

## Lighting

It was stated that the hedge near the pumping station Providence had been cut.

## Roadside Banks and Hedges

Also that the banks in Yanleigh Lane had received attention.

It was decided to thank Mrs Howard for her letter of the 28<sup>th</sup> September.

## Manhole

Reported that manhole had been repaired.

## Long Ashton Sewer

Clerk Rural District Council wrote by letter of the 25 September 1937 that the Bristol Corporation had recently made connections to the Long Ashton Main Sewer in the vicinity of Ashton Vale and that such sewer is vested in the Bristol Corporation.

On the proposition of Mr Ball it was decided to ascertain of the Rural District Council what arrangements were made with and conditions imposed (if any) by the Bristol Town Council when the main sewer was continued through Long Ashton to the City boundary and the size of same.

## Recreation Ground

### Ashton Court Estate – Contractor

Mr Worrall wrote by letter 28 September that he was instructing the contractor making the roadway in the old Birdwell Allotments not to use the Recreation Ground for hauling over.

## Physical Training and Recreation Act 1937

Clerk reported receipt of letters of the 22<sup>nd</sup> October and 10 December from Miss B Spencer of Taunton. In the latter she stated she understood the Area Committee were willing to

consider playing field schemes and as far as she could gather a 25% grant was likely.

## County Council

Clerk County Court wrote 16 October 1937 that having regard to the information contained in this council's letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> October, the County Council.

(1) In pursuant of Section 193 (4) of the Local Government Act 1933 approve of the proposal of the Long Ashton Parish Council to incur an expenditure of £400 for the purpose mentioned and

(2) In pursuant of Section 195 of the Local Government Act 1933 consent to the raising of a loan by the Parish Council of the sum of £400 provided the minister of Health consents thereto.

## Ministry of Health

The Minister of Health in letter of the 13 December stated it was observed a considerable amount will have to be spent on the land for levelling and drainage. The Department desired to be furnished with details of the Council's liability in this respect and the precise purpose for which the ground would be used.

Left to the Clerk to deal with.

## Security of Treasurer

Receipt of 9/- yearly premium on Clerk's Fidelity policy for 1937-38 was produced.

## Naming of Streets

A letter from the R D Council of the 10<sup>th</sup> December was received giving the sections and names, a committee of the District Council recommended the main road through the parish should be called for asking for the views of the parish council as to whether the main road should be divided into two or more sections.

Mr Morrish moved that the names and sections be as follows:

Long Ashton Road – From Church Lodge to Providence Lane  
Weston Road – From Providence Lane to the parish boundary  
near Jubilee Inn.

Clevedon Road – From Cambridge Batch to the parish boundary  
near Railway Station.

This was seconded by Mr Tissington and carried.

### Street Lighting

Clerk reported receipt of letter from the Rural District Council of the 17 November enclosing copy circular No 504 from Ministry of Transport of the 2<sup>nd</sup> November Clerk further reported that Mr Newman of Sunnydale, Yanleigh Lane had again asked for the erection of a lamp in Yanleigh Lane and was quite willing for same to be fixed to an oak tree on his property. On referring the matter to the electric supply Co he found they did not consider suggestion a good one.

Mr Mitchell of the Bungalow, Clevedon Road also asked that another lamp be placed between Cambridge Batch and the first lamp or this latter lamp moved nearer Cambridge Batch.

The Council decided that neither of these applications be entertained.

Pathway from Main Road to Rayens Cross Road.

Letter of the 13 December received from Mr N J P Lambert as to the condition of this pathway and on the suggestion of Mr Morrish it was decided to send copy to the Agent Ashton Court Estate expressing the hope something may now be done as the Contractor was continuing Rayens Cross Road.

### Accounts

Cheques were drawn for the following accounts.

### Allotment Fund

E Gait – Repairs hedge to Archgrove Lighting	£2.0.0
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North Somerset Electric Supply Co	
Long Ashton 97 @ 40/9	49.8.2
Leigh Woods 24 @ 40/9	12.4.6
61.12.8	

General	
Clerk's Salary	11.5.-
Managers Church House	2.10.-

Footpath near Ashton Vale

Mr Mitchell drew Council's attention to the footpath near the South Lodge which in his opinion was in a dangerous state owing to the excavations on the Bristol side of same.

It was decided to draw the attention of the Ashton Vale Iron Co to this enquiring what steps they propose taking to making same safe for pedestrians.

Also to write the County Council on the excavations were proceeding towards the Main Road.

Next Meeting fixed for the 8<sup>th</sup> March 1938.

## Long Ashton Sewer

Rural District Council replied as follows:

1. The Council to pay Bristol an annual sum equal to four pence in the £1 on the rateable value of all dwelling houses and other premises connected to the sewer.
2. The portion of the sewer within the City is vested in the Corporation and is repaired if required by them at our expense. The Corporation are to be a fair proportion of any such expenses in the event of any properties within the City boundary being drained into it.
3. The size of the sewer from the old disposal works to Bristol is 10 ins.
4. Properties at Long Ashton which can be drained to the sewer by natural gravitation can be connected.
5. If the present sewer is found to be insufficient it will be the duty of the authority to take any necessary action to augment it.

On the motion of Mr Ball, seconded by Mr Barnes it was decided to thank the R D Council on the information contained in their letter of the 25<sup>th</sup> February and to ask that this Council be informed of any development that might arise in the future in connection with this sewer.

## Surface Water

Arising out of this matter, it was agreed on the proposition of Mr Pearce seconded by Mr Morris to draw the attention of the R D Council that storm water from the houses in course of erection was allowed to run in the drains connected with the sewer.

## Physical Training and Recreation Act 1937

Clerk reported he was dealing with the Area Committee appointed under this Act.

## Lighting

Letters had been written Messrs Newman and Mitchell as directed at the last meeting.

## Naming of Streets

Letter written R D Council 20<sup>th</sup> December naming various sections of the Main Road.

## Pathway from Main Road to Rayens Cross Road

The Ashton Court Estate replied by letter of the 22<sup>nd</sup> December that the offer contained in their letter of the 26<sup>th</sup> April 1934 still held good of the Council was prepared to fall in with same.

Mr Morris moved that the offer be accepted and the Ashton Court Estate be asked to kindly undertake the work, this was seconded by Mr Ball and carried.

## Footpath near Ashton Vale

Letter written Ashton Vale Iron Co Ltd 20 December, to which they replied, asking if this Council would consider closing of the footpath pending an early application for diversion. Clerk replied Council no power to consent to such an application.

The County Council wrote 10 January pointing out that an unfenced quarry was a nuisance within the meaning of Section 91 of the Public Health Act 1875.

## Casual Vacancy

On the motion of Mr Mitchell seconded by Mr Tissington it was decided to co-opt Capt L J Adams of Highcliffe, Leigh Woods, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr B C Cass.

## Recreation Ground

Clerk reported receipt of formal consent from Ministry of Health to the borrowing of the sum of £400 for the purchase of land for purposes of a recreation ground.

Also that the Public Works Loan had by letter of 19 January agreed to advance such sum to be paid in 25 years at half yearly instalments with interest at 3 5/8 per cent per annum subject to legal advisers being satisfied that the requirements of the Board had been complied with.

He wrote the Legal Advisers 21 Feb.

#### Balance Sheet

The accounts for 1936-37 were audited 2 February and produced to the Council.

#### Collection of House Refuse

It was decided on the suggestion of Mr Barnes to ask the Rural District Council if the collection of house refuse could be arranged to commence in the mornings.

#### Notice Board – Providence

Mr Barnes drew attention to the lack of a notice board in Providence and providing consent can be obtained as to its erection, it was agreed to provide same.

#### Stile

Mr Barnes stated a high stile had been erected in the Bushey Ground at the rear of Mr Barker's residence and the Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol University Research Station and ask if the same could be made more convenient.

#### Footpath Obstruction

Mr Mitchell moved that the attention of the Bristol Corporation be drawn to the footpath running from Yanleigh Lane to Barrow Gurney was obstructed near the entrance to the Mental Hospital.

#### Lighting

To write and thank the North Somerset Electric Supply Co for extending the lighting on New Years Eve.

Herbert Jefferies – Signed 8 March 1938