

March 14th 1919

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at Mill Barn on the above date at 6-30 pm

Present Messrs F J Maunder in the Chair, W A Maunder, W Blackford, E Cole, and the Clerk (W Salley)

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed

Finance The Clerks statement of accounts for the year ending March 31st 1919 were as follows

Partridge Balance in hand March 31st 1919 £ 7-2-0
Total Payments as shown in the margin 18-5

Rent of Room) Balance in hand March 31st 1919 4-3
10/-

Barnes This was considered to be satisfactory and a Cheque signed in payment of the same

Financial Statements '19 The Clerk pointed out that in all probability there would be a Bill for election expenses to be paid at the next meeting in April and as there was not sufficient money in hand to meet the same a precept was issued on the 12th inst for thirty shillings and made payable on April 8th

Audit Stamp
Stationery 6/6

Housing Question The Clerk produced a letter received from the P.C. Council in regard to this question and after considerable discussion it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr Blackford and unanimously resolved that application be made to the District Council to erect four cottages as soon as possible, the most suitable place for the same it was considered would be at Millbarn cross, being in a central position pleasantly situated and near

School.

It was resolved to hold the next meeting on Wednesday April 16th at 8 o'clock p m summer time

J. J. P. Maunders
Chairman

Parish

March 17th 1919

16/4/19

Meeting The Parish Meeting was held at Millbarn on the above date at 7 o'clock p m

Present Messrs J J P Maunders in the Chair, H Maunders, E Cole, E Partridge, W Blackford, W A Maunders and the Assistant Overseer (H Jolley)

Election The first business was the Election of a new Council and the Chairman having been Of Councillors nominated Mr Hugh Maunders was voted to the Chair in his Father's place.

There were seven nominations handed in as follows:

Blackford William, Hestcott Farm

Cole Edwin, Murchine Farm

Fisher Ernest William, Woodington Farm

Hayes John, Woodhouse Farm

Maunders Frederick James Partridge ^{Griffpark} _{Hetheridge}

Maunders William Alfred, Geomansland

Partridge Chas, Millbarn Farm

No other nominations being forthcoming the above named seven gentlemen were declared to be duly elected

Minutes Mr J J P Maunders having resumed the Chair the Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were read and passed.

Charity The total receipts for the year appeared to account be 3-9-10 and the total amount distributed

The Assistant Overseer presented the Overseers
 accounts for the year as follows viz £ 0 0
 Total Receipts for the first Half year 226-4-8³/₄
 Total Payments for the first Half year 215-7-1
 Balance in hand Sept 30th 1918 10-17-7³/₄
 From Poor Rate made Oct 29th 1918 197-15-2³/₄
 Total Receipts & Balance for 2nd half 208-12-10¹/₂
 Total Payments for 2nd half year 206-17-3
 Balance in hand March 31st 1919 1-15-7¹/₂

March 24th 1920

DEVONSHIRE AUDIT DISTRICT

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Edwin Cole

DISTRICT AUDITOR

April 16th 1919

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was
 held at Millbarn on the above date Present
 Messrs F J S Maunder, H A Maunder & Cole
 H Blackford J Hayes & Partridge and the
 Clerk

All the members present signed the usual
 Declaration of acceptance of Office

It was proposed by Mr Blackford seconded
 by Mr Cole and unanimously resolved that
 Mr F J S Maunder be elected Chairman
 until the 16th April 1920

On the proposition of Mr Blackford seconded
 by Mr H A Maunder Mr Cole was
 unanimously elected Vice Chairman until
 April 16th 1920

On the proposition of Mr Cole seconded
 by Mr F J S Maunder the retiring Overseers
 Messrs John Hayes of Woodhouse Farm and

unanimously re-elected until 18th June 1909

Finance
Apr 17/9
Barnet 13/-
ex service
Men

A Cheque for ^{£ 1 2} 1-10 9 was signed for the payment of the Parish Council Election expenses and New Declaration book

The Clerk produced a letter received from the County Council in regard to the training of ex service men by selected Farmers and after considerable discussion it was unanimously resolved to reply stating that although the subject had been brought to the notice of nearly every Farmer in the Parish no one cared to entertain the proposal as they considered the pay offered was not sufficient to meet the circumstances of the case and moreover the Council did not see why the Taxpayers money should be wasted in paying for the training of men who could well afford to pay for themselves to the exclusion of the poorer class of ex army men

Housing
Question

This Question again came before the Council and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr Percy Whitton of Exeter the agent for the Mill Barton Estate asking if the owner would be prepared to sell sites for cottages in a field called Little Lamer close on the above Estate and also to supply ^{stones} which it was considered could be got from an adjoining field for building the cottages. In order to obtain this site the same agent was also asked if he would sell a garden at a place called stretchdown on the same Farm where a cottage formerly stood and where there was just room for two cottages without gardens. In the event of this site being obtained the

in case of)

gardens in a field he had close by
 A site for two Cottages was also offered by a
 member of the Council (Mr Blackford) on his farm
 and which was his own property at a place
 called Doctors corner about midway between
 Witheridge and Shelbridge

The District Councillor (Mr Cole) reported that
 a Surveyor would be coming to view the sites
 shortly and it was resolved that as many as
 possible of the Council should meet him when
 he comes.

Erwin Cole (Chairman)
 Aug 27 1917

The Parish Council was called together
 on Monday July 7th to meet the Surveyor
 and Architect (Mr Bowden) in order to
 inspect the sites for Cottages to be erected
 in the Parish. Present Mr & J P Maunders
 Chairman, E Cole, W Blackford, J Hayes
 H A Maunders, and the Clerk

After inspecting various sites it was
 unanimously resolved to recommend
 as the most suitable a site in a field
 belonging to the Chairman abutting on
 the main road from Witheridge to Shelbridge
 at a point near Chapner Lane

It was resolved to confirm the Assistant
 Overseers' ^{Re} appointment at the same salary
 notwithstanding any payment he may
 be receiving from other sources in respect
 of the Voters Lists

Erwin Cole (Chairman)

July 17th 1919

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A Parish Meeting was held at Millbarn on the above date to arrange for the holding of Peace celebrations for the Parish.

Present Messrs J P Maunder in the Chair Revd J H Hasegood, Mrs Leach Sewr. and four Miss Hammond, Miss Hooper, J Ayre Cole H Maunders, E Partridge, W Blackford, W Bristow J Telling & E Tuckers and W Tolley

It was resolved to hold a Public tea with sports and a Dance on Saturday July 26th in

W Bristow's Meadow if fine but if wet

at Millbarn Farm. Mr E Tuckers, and W Blackford kindly offered to collect subscriptions and a

Committee was formed to make all the necessary arrangements in connexion with

the same, the Committee to consist of the

Rector, Miss Hammond, Miss Hard, Miss Hooper together with all the Farmers

and theives and the Clerk of the Council (W Tolley)

the last named to call the Committee

together for Monday evening July 21st at

7-30 to receive the report of the Collectors and to make all other necessary arrangements

for the celebrations on the 26th inst. It was also resolved to ask Mr C Richard to attend the celebrations with his roundabout and swingboats

Following on the above a further meeting was held on Monday July 21st at 7-30

p.m. At the beginning of the meeting the Revd J H Hasegood who had been Voted to the Chair

the Parish had sustained since their last meeting in the death of their Chairman (Mr F J P Mander who was taken ill whilst attending the previous meeting on the 17th inst. A resolution of condolence with the Family was unanimously carried and the Clerk of Parish Council requested of convey the same to the members thereof.

It was reported that nearly £8 had been collected towards the celebrations and it was resolved to have a meat Tea for all over school age the Withridge Club Tent to be hired for the purpose and a short service to be held therein at 3-30 to be followed by tea, sports and dancing, committees being appointed to carry out the various items on the programme and to obtain the necessary provisions.

A Public Meeting was held on Friday Aug 8th 1919 with the Revd J H Hasegrod in the Chair to receive the Treasurers report and Balance sheet in connexion with the Peace celebrations.

It was found that the total receipts were thirty pounds eight shillings and eleven pence $\frac{1}{2}$ and the total payments nineteen shillings and eleven pence leaving a Balance of ten pounds ten shillings and an $\frac{1}{2}$ in hand. and after several suggestions had been made it was unanimously resolved to spend the balance in providing a public Tea.

Harvest Festival

The Chairman thanked all who had helped to make the celebrations such a success especially the Ladies who had managed the Tea and those who had collected the subscriptions

Aug 8th 1919

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on the above date, present Mr Cole in the Chair, Messrs H Blackford, W Fisher, E Partridge, J Hayes, J Ayre, and the Clerk. The Minutes having been read and signed Chairman Mr Blackford proposed, Mr Fisher seconded and it was unanimously resolved that Mr Cole be elected as Chairman in the place of the late F J P Maunder and on taking the Chair ^{he} proposed a Vote of condolence with the Family of the Late Chairman in the loss they had sustained by his death he having been Chairman of the Council since the Council was first formed in Dec 1894

It was proposed by Mr Partridge and Chairman seconded by Mr Fisher and unanimously resolved that Mr Blackford be elected Vice Chairman in place of Mr Cole.

It was proposed by Mr Blackford seconded by Mr Fisher and unanimously resolved that Mr Thomas Ayre of Billhole be

caused by the death of the late Chairman Mr Ayre being present signed the usual Declaration of Acceptance of Office Treasurer. It was proposed by Mr Blackford seconded by Mr Fisher and unanimously resolved that Mr H. J. Mansfield of Post Fowler & Co. Bank Withersidge be elected Treasurer in place of the late F. J. P. Mansunder.

March 24th 1920

Erwin Cole,
Chairman

March 24th 1920

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at Millbarn on the above date. Present Mr E. Cole Chairman, W. Blackford Vice Chairman, E. Partridge, J. Ayre and the Clerk H. Cole.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

A Precept for the sum of three pounds payable on the 26th day of March 1920 was issued on the 25th day of March for general expenses.

The Clerk presented bills amounting to one pound five shillings and nine pence which were passed and a cheque signed for that amount.

It was unanimously resolved to hold the next meeting on Wednesday April 14th inst.

The Clerk's Statement of accounts showed the total receipts for the year to be £4-14-3 and total expenditure for the year to be £2-16-6 and the balance in hand £1-17-9.