

RIBBLE BANKS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the FIRST and ANNUAL Meeting of the Ribble Banks Parish Council held at Clarke's Old School, WIGGLESWORTH on Monday, 24th February, 1975 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors W. Jackson, B. H. Proctor, W. R. Rowland, H. Waddington and P. H. Weston.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Resolved - That Councillor P. H. Weston be appointed Chairman of the Council until the next annual meeting. Councillor Weston then took the chair and thanked the members for his appointment.

2. RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Returning Officer reported that the election of first members of the Council under the terms of the Ribble Banks Grouping Order 1974 had been held on 13th February, 1975. The election had not been contested and the following members had been declared elected to hold office until the next ordinary election of Parish Councillors which would be in May 1976:-

Halton West

Henry Waddington

Rathmell

Bryan Hartley Proctor
Phillip Humphrey Weston

Wigglesworth

William Jackson
William Raymond Rowland

3. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

(a) Clerk of the Council

Resolved - That Mrs. E. M. Marsh of 2 Main Road, Rathmell be appointed Clerk of the Council and she be appointed the Council's proper officer for purposes of the under-mentioned sections of the Local Government Act 1972:-

<u>Section of Act</u>	<u>Proper Officer's functions</u>
83(4)	Witness and receipt of declarations of acceptance of office.
88(2)	Convening of meeting of council to fill casual vacancy in the office of Chairman.
96(1)	Receipt of notices of pecuniary interest.
96(2)	Keeping record of disclosures of pecuniary interest under Section 94, and of notices under Section 96(1).
115(2)	Receipt of money due from officers.
146(1)(a)	Declarations and certificates with regard to securities.
225(1)	Deposit of documents.

<u>Section of Act</u>	<u>Proper Officer's functions</u>
228(3)	Accounts of "any proper officer" to be open to inspection by any member of the authority.
229(5)	Certification of photographic copies of documents.
234(1) & (2)	Authentication of documents.
238	Certification of byelaws.
Schedule 12 Para.10(2)(b)	Signature of summonses to parish council meetings.

(b) Treasurer

Resolved - That consideration of the appointment of a Treasurer be deferred to a future meeting.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Chairman and Members of the Council made declarations of acceptance of office in accordance with the requirements of Section 83(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

5. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Resolved - That Councillor W. R. Rowland be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council until the next annual meeting.

6. FINANCE

The Returning Officer explained that it was now too late for the Council to precept on the Craven District Council for funds for the year commencing 1st April, 1975 but that arrangements could be made with the Financial Officer of the District Council for an advance to be made to cover expenses during that year.

Resolved - That the Financial Officer or his representative be invited to attend the next meeting of the Council to discuss this matter and financial matters generally.

7. YORKSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION

The Returning Officer reported that the Secretary of the Yorkshire Parish Councils Association had been invited to attend this meeting to give guidance on parish council affairs. He had been unable to accept but had agreed to make arrangements to meet the Council at some future date. He had also extended an invitation to the Council to send two representatives to the next meeting of the Craven Branch of the Association to be held at Settle at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 8th March, 1975.

Resolved - That the Chairman and the Clerk be authorised to attend the meeting at Settle on Saturday, 8th March.

8. POWERS AND CONSTITUTION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

A copy of this booklet had been supplied to each member of the Council.

9. FUTURE MEETINGS

The Returning Officer explained that the Council was required by the Local Government Act 1972 to hold at least three meetings each year in addition to its annual meeting.

Resolved - That future meetings of the Council be held in each of the three grouped parishes in turn and that the next meeting be held on either Monday the 10th or Monday, the 24th March, 1975 dependent on the availability of the Financial Officer of the District Council, at Rathmell commencing at 7.30 p.m.

24 Mar 75.

H. Waddington
Chairman

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM,
RATHMELL, ON MONDAY, 24TH MARCH 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Procter, W. Jackson,
and, H. Waddington.

APOLOGISED

Received from: Mr. A. Bradley, Miss B. Graham and
Mr. W.R. Rowland.

MINUTES

The minutes of a meeting held on Monday, 24th
February 1975, having been circulated were
confirmed as a correct record and signed by
the Chairman.

FINANCE

Mr. G. Murray, Financial Officer of the Craven
District Council attended the meeting. He
discussed the provision of funds for the year
1975/76, and financial matters generally.

CLERK'S
PAY.

It was proposed by Mr. Waddington, seconded by
Mr. Procter and resolved that the Clerk be paid
£12-00 for the first three months, from the effective
date of the 24th February 1975, and that the salary
be reviewed three months hence.

BANK
ACCOUNT.

It was proposed by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Waddington
and resolved that this Council open an account with
the Midland Bank, and cheques to be signed by the
Chairman and Clerk. As an amendment to the above
resolution, Mr. Jackson proposed, Mr. Waddington seconded
and it was resolved that the Council open a
General Account and also a Deposit Account.

YORKSHIRE
PARISH
COUNCILS
ASSOCIATION.

The chairman reported on his attendance with the
Clerk at the meeting of the Craven Branch of the
Yorkshire Parish Councils Association held at the
Town Hall, Settle, on the 8th March 1975.
Mr. C.N. Douglass was the Assistant Secretary, and
Mr. T. Cardus the Chairman of the Craven Branch.
Details of membership to the Yorkshire Parish Councils
Association to be sent to us.

HIGHWAYS.

The Chairman stated that a site meeting had already
taken place with Mr. Bruce (Deputy Surveyor),
Police Inspector Holmes, and a Sergeant of Police,
to discuss speed limits and provision of a
footpath at School Hill, Rathmell. It was considered
that School Hill was too narrow to allow a
footpath and that there was no chance of a
speed limit being introduced on this section of
road. Mention was made of numerous heavy
lorries passing through Rathmell and it was
hoped that these would eventually be restricted
to vehicles with 3 tonnes unladen weight
except for access.

CORRESPONDENCE A planning application was received for Halton East to be returned to Craven District Council.

A letter was received from Mr. F. G. Falkingham, Secretary of the Airedale District Community Health Council. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Falkingham telling him the date of our next meeting.

A letter was received from Miss B. Graham regarding the planning applications for Thornton and Garnett's site. With regard to Rathmell Sewerage scheme she stated that this Council should make strong representations to the Craven District Council and the Water Authority. The Chairman stated that the scheme was now held up, and he would report future progress.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Murray who then left the meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Mr. Jackson reported that overhanging trees on the Wigglesworth - Tosside Road, at Beck's Brow, were causing obstruction to drivers. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain the name and address of the owner of the wood and to write to him, asking that the branches be lopped.

Mr. Jackson asked if a letter could be sent to the North Yorkshire County Council, Highways Department, concerning the narrow section of road known as Cowber Brow, Wigglesworth, and that some widening should be undertaken. The Clerk to write to the County Engineer and Surveyor.

Mr. Jackson proposed, Mr. Waddington seconded, and it was agreed that the date of the next meeting should be ~~the~~ ^{on} Monday, 12th May 1975, at 7.30pm, at Halton West Village Institute.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

Waddington

12 May 75.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE INSTITUTE, HALTON WEST, ON MONDAY, ~~12th MAY,~~ ^{12th MAY,} 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT.

Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Procter, H. Waddington, W.R. Rowland, W. Jackson, and County Councillor Miss B. Graham.

Major J.E.E. Yorke, Mr. A. Beresford, and Mr. W. Bell.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 24th March 1975. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

RATHMELL SEWERAGE SCHEME.

A letter had been received from the Craven District Council stating that the scheme could not be included in the North West Water Authority's capital programme for 1975-76 because of restrictions on capital expenditure. The Clerk to write to the Craven District Council urging them to press for the implementation of this scheme.

FINANCE:
PRECEPT
UPON
RATING
AUTHORITY.

It was proposed by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mr. Procter, and resolved that this Council precept £50-00 per quarter year from the Craven District Council.

HIGHWAYS:
PROPOSED
WEIGHT
RESTRICTION,
RATHMELL.

A letter and plan had been received from the Chief Executive of the North Yorkshire County Council detailing the roads to be covered by the proposed weight restriction, and stating the intention to make an Order to prohibit the use by heavy commercial vehicles whose unladen weight exceeds 3 tons, except for access. This Council's observations were requested. The Clerk to reply stating that this Council is pleased to see the matter is proceeding and hope there will be no delay in getting this restriction implemented.

CORRES-
PONDENCE.

A letter was received from the Community Health Council offering the June or July meeting - acknowledgement of our letter. The Clerk to write, giving details of these two meetings.

A letter was received from the North Yorkshire County Council regarding Cowbar Brow, Wigglesworth - acknowledgement of our letter.

A letter was received from Mrs. P.H. Weston asking if this Council had any objection to her using the grass verge at the bottom of Rathmell Brow during the course of tree felling operations. Mrs. Weston to be informed verbally that the Council had no objection to her plan.

REVIEW OF
DISTRICT
ELECTORAL
ARRANGE-
MENTS.

The Clerk had received a letter from Miss Graham giving a precis of the Memorandum from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England regarding local government boundary revisions and rules to be observed when considering electoral arrangements. At the meeting Miss Graham stated that if population was considered our district would be reduced and we would therefore lose two County Councillors. If acreage was considered the Craven District is a very large area and we would maintain our present representation on the County Council. The Clerk to reply to the chief Executive of the North Yorkshire County Council stating that this Council is concerned that there should be no reduction in representation and is in favour of representation being based on the acreage involved rather than population.

DATE OF
NEXT
MEETING.

It was agreed that the date of the next meeting should be Monday, 9th June 1975, at 7.30pm at Clarke's Old School, Wigglesworth.

The Chairman thanked members of the public for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed.

P. H. Weston

9 June 75.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CLARKE'S OLD SCHOOL, WIGGLESWORTH, ON MONDAY, 9TH JUNE 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Procter, W.R. Rowland, W. Jackson, H. Waddington, and Mr. W. Bell.

APOLOGIES

Received from Mr. A. Bradley and Miss B. Graham.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on Monday, 12th May 1975. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

FINANCE.

The Clerk stated that the Craven District Council had paid £50 into the Ribbles Bank Parish Council's Bank Account.

Mr. Weston proposed, Mr. Waddington seconded, and it was resolved that cheques should be signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

Mr. Waddington proposed, Mr. Jackson seconded, and it was resolved that three cheques should be written, as follows:— (a) Cheque for £14 payable to the Clerk consisting of £12 for wages from the 24th February to 24th May 1975, plus £2 expenses for stationery etc., (b) Cheque for £5 payable to the Chairman as reimbursement of original float for stationery etc., and (c) Cheque for £2 payable to the Clerk for petty cash expenses.

SEWERAGECHARGES—COURTCASE.

Mr. Weston stated that there had been a case recently in the High Court, and the ruling was that people living in properties which were not connected to a main sewer could not be required to pay

the General Services Charge. It was agreed to watch for the result of the Appeal.

CORRES-
PONDENCE.

A planning application was received for the conversion of barn at Hesley Lane, Rathmell, to dwellinghouse with storeroom and garage (full application). The Clerk to reply to the Craven District Council stating that this Council has no adverse comments.

A letter was received from Mr. Falckingham of the Airedale District Community Health Council stating that he would attend the July meeting to explain the aims and objectives of the Community Health Council.

ANY OTHER
BUSINESS.

District Council Boundary - Mr. Weston stated that progress had been made with regard to representation being based on acreage, and it would probably be the one chosen.

Road Restriction at Rathmell - Mr. Weston said that Mr. Bradley was attending a Highways Committee Meeting at Skipton and an item on the agenda was this road restriction. Mr. Bradley had suggested that the Craven District Council would not be in favour of restricting heavy vehicles through Rathmell as this would put more pressure on the A.65 and Settle. Their suggestion was to wait until the A65 had been improved. Agreed that this Council should protest if no action was taken.

Mr. Weston said that Mr. Weston would appreciate a letter stating that this Council had no objections to her using the grass verge at the bottom of Rathmell Brow during ~~the~~ tree

felling operations. The Clerk to write to Mrs. Weston.

Overhanging trees at Becks Brow, Wigglesworth —
Mr. Weston stated that Mr. Wade had not removed any branches. Agreed that Mr. Weston should tidy up the branches and inform Mr. Wade by telephone that we had done what was necessary.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

21 Jul 75

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM,
RATHMELL, ON MONDAY, 21ST JULY 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT.

Councillors P.H. Weston, H. Waddington, W. Jackson,
B.H. Procter; Mr. A. Bradley, Miss B. Graham,
Mr. W. Bell, Mrs. P.H. Weston and Mrs. T. Cowking.
Mr. F.G. Falckingham and Mr. S.L. Dewhurst.

APOLOGIES.

Received from Mr. W.R. Rowland.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on Monday, 9th June 1975. They were ~~signed~~ confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

COMMUNITY

HEALTH

COUNCIL.

Mr. Falckingham and Mr. Dewhurst attended the meeting. Mr. Falckingham explained that the Community Health Council was a body set up by Parliament as part of the reorganisation

of the National Health Service in April 1974. The Airedale District has a population of 161,000 and is an independent group of men and women drawn from local authorities, voluntary organisations and other sections of the community appointed to represent the interests of the public in the National Health Service. It is expected to look at the efficiency of the Health Service in this district, and is concerned with the quality and type of care provided, e.g. housing, elderly people living in unsuitable housing, visiting people in hospital, facilities for visitors, getting into hospital - waiting period, catering, guidance on how to lodge complaints and to ensure that satisfactory answers are received. It's aim is to maintain a link between patients and management.

Mr. Falckingham and Mr. Dewhurst left the meeting after being thanked by the Chairman.

RATHMELL

SEWERAGE

SCHEME.

Letters had been received from the Craven District Council stating that it could be many years before the scheme reached a sufficiently high priority to be implemented and that the only course open was to requisition the scheme under Section 16 of the Water Act 1973. It was the recommendation of the Development Services Committee of the Craven District Council that they should defer making any decision on the requisitioning of sewerage schemes, pending the outcome of the discussion on this matter at national level.

Mr. Bradley said that if we pressed hard enough

~~falling operations. The Clerk to write to Mrs. Weston^{EMM}.~~

there might be a chance of the scheme proceeding, especially when the village was supplied with mains water. Miss Graham said that our suggestions for the Structure Plan for the North Yorkshire County Council could be compiled with a view to encourage support for the sewerage scheme. Mr. Bradley said he would keep us informed.

ROAD RESTRICTION AT RATHMELL
Miss Graham informed the meeting that after the statutory time had elapsed there would be a meeting, and if no objections were received, an Order could be made fairly quickly. It was expected that complaints from Quarries would be lodged. Mr. Bradley stated that he had persuaded the committee concerned to agree to the proposals, but that the Craven District Council would probably make objections. Miss Graham stated that she has asked that copies of the Order should be made available in local Council offices.

TREE LOPPING AT BECKS BAY, WIGGLESWORTH
Mr. Weston said that he had contacted Mr. Wade and had arranged to tidy up the branches.

RATHMELL WATER SUPPLY
Mr. Weston said that the scheme was moving slightly. Various landowners concerned had been approached and when any objections received had been dealt with, the contractors would then move in. The question of who was going to supply the village with domestic water after August 1975, was raised. The Craven District Council had said it was the Water Authority's responsibility. It was agreed that a letter

should be sent to the Yorkshire Water Authority stating that after August 1975 the present owners were accepting no further responsibility for supplying water, and seeking assurance that the Yorkshire Water Authority would then be responsible should the old supply finally fail.

CORRESPONDENCE
A letter was received from the Clerk of the Craven District Council with regard to the initial review of district electoral arrangements, stating that the Policy and Finance Committee had recommended that no change ~~be~~ be made in the existing arrangements.

A letter had been received from the North Yorkshire County Council regarding Cowber Brow, Wigglesworth, in which the Area Surveyor agreed that some widening of the carriageway together with the provision of a grass verge would be desirable, and that he would add this proposal to the list of schemes to be considered by the County Council.

A letter was received from the Environmental Health Department of the Craven District Council enquiring if this Council considered there was a need for a site where a skip or bulk container could be placed enabling the public to dump other than normal household refuse. The letter also invited our comments on the adequacy of litterbins in the area. The Clerk was instructed to reply, stating that this Council felt there was a need for a skip in our area, and asking for further details with regard to size, weight, etc. The letter to include that we did not

consider the litterbins in Rathmell to be adequate and we would like two more, also two more in Wigglesworth, and two more in Halton West.

ANY
OTHER
BUSINESS.

Miss Graham suggested that a letter should be sent to the County Planning Officer of the North Yorkshire County Council asking for further information about the County Structure Plan which had been advertised in the July edition of Countywide. The Clerk to write.

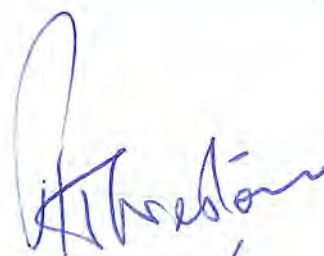
The Chairman raised the subject of this Parish Council owning a typewriter as it was not always convenient for the Clerk to use her Works' typewriter as previously arranged.

Mr. Waddington proposed, Mr. Jackson seconded, and it was resolved that this Council should own a typewriter. Mr. Procter then proposed, Mr. Waddington seconded, and it was resolved that a typewriter should be purchased.

Mr. Weston said that he would make enquiries about a machine with the Clerk.

It was agreed that the next meeting should be on ^{Monday} the 1st September 1975, at 7.30 pm at Halton West Village Institute.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.


1 Sept 75.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE INSTITUTE, HALTON WEST, ON MONDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Procter, W. Jackson, W.R. Rowland, H. Waddington, and Mrs. Bell.

MINUTES. The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on Monday, 21st July 1975. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

RATHMELL
WATER
SUPPLY Mr. Weston said that the scheme was to go ahead and digging was due to start on the 1st September 1975. A letter was received from the Yorkshire Water Authority giving assurance that arrangements had been made for the estate supply to be continued with the assistance of the Water Authority staff.

JOHN
SMITH'S
CHARITY. Mr. Weston said that he had been approached by Mrs. Hogg of Barton House, Long Preston, the Honorary Secretary of John Smith's Charity, who stated that a member was needed for Wigglesworth to replace Mr. W. Morphett who had retired. Mr. Jackson proposed and Mr. Weston seconded that Mr. Rowland be appointed. Mr. Rowland accepted the appointment, and the Clerk was then asked to write to Mrs. Hogg.

CLERK'S
PAY. This item was raised as a result of the minutes of the meeting of the 24th March 1975, which stated that the salary be reviewed. Owing to the number of hours worked, Mr. Rowland proposed, Mr. Jackson seconded, and it was resolved that the Clerk be paid £15-00

for the next quarter, and that the salary be reviewed at the end of February 1976.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the Environmental Health Department of the Craven District Council acknowledging our letter with regard to bulk containers and litterbins.

A planning application was received from the Craven District Council for details of detached house and garage to be erected within the grounds of Halton Place, Hellifield. There were no objections to this proposal.

A planning application was received from the Craven District Council for the construction of septic tank and filter, and permanent vehicular bridge across beck, at Lunns, Tosside. There were no objections to the proposal.

As we were outside the time limit of 14 days for replying to both these applications it was agreed that no letters be sent, and that the Craven District Council assume that this Council has no observations on the proposals.

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council in which he asked that matters of relatively minor importance or capable of immediate local action should be referred to the County Divisional Surveyor; more important matters should be referred to the County Area Surveyor, whereas matters of policy or in relation to large scale improvements should be referred to himself at County Hall.

Correspondence had been received regarding the County Structure Plan for the North Yorkshire County Council. Mr. Weston suggested that all members take a copy of the booklet to study, and proposed that a special meeting should be convened to discuss the matter fully in order that our views could be forwarded as soon as possible. It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council be at Clarke's Old School, Wigglesworth, on Wednesday, 10th September 1975, at 7.30 pm.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Weston said that he had purchased a second-hand typewriter which was guaranteed for 12 months, approximate price £38-00, on behalf of the Parish Council.

Mr. Waddington asked if a letter could be sent to the County Area Surveyor at Skipton concerning Pan Beck Brow, Halton West, as there have been a number of accidents over the last few years, none fatal but causing serious damage to vehicles. The Clerk was instructed to write, questioning the safety of this stretch of road and stating that Mr. Waddington would be very pleased to meet the County Area Surveyor's representative.

Mr. Jackson asked if a letter could be sent to the County Divisional Surveyor at Ingleton, expressing concern at the untidy state of the roadsides. The Clerk to write stating that this Council was glad to see work was being done manually on mowing the roadsides, and how much more they were intending to do as some roads were still badly in need of

mowing.

In reply to Miss Graham's request made at an earlier meeting, the Clerk reported that the bridge on the top road between Rathmell and Giggleswick had not been repaired. The Clerk was asked to inform Miss Graham.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

P. Weston 10 Sept 75

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CLARKE'S OLD SCHOOL, WIGGLESWORTH, ON WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

Councillors P.H. Weston, W. Jackson, B.H. Procter, and W.R. Rowland. Mr. A. Bradley and Mr. W. Bell.

APOLOGIES.

Received from Mr. H. Waddington.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on Monday, 1st September 1975. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Craven District Council concerning the naming of streets and numbering of properties. The contents of the letter were noted.

A letter was received from the Area Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council acknowledging

our letter regarding Pan Beck Brow, Halton West.

A letter was received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council expressing his concern at this Council's observations about the untidy state of the roadside verges. He explained that grass cutting was in operation until the end of September. Mr. Weston said that he would speak to Mr. Staveley by telephone.

STRUCTURE
PLAN FOR
THE NORTH
YORKSHIRE
COUNTY
COUNCIL.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Planning Officer giving this Council's comments on the County Structure Plan. A summary of this Parish Council's views on local priorities are:-

- (1) Preservation of good land for agricultural use.
- (2) Improvement of services, e.g. mains water and first time sewerage.
- (3) Housing, bearing in mind particularly the Government's declared wish for an expanding agricultural industry.
- (4) Transport.
- (5) Tourism.

ANY OTHER
BUSINESS.

It was agreed that the next meeting should be on Wednesday, 22nd October 1975, at 7.30pm., at Rathmell Reading Room.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

P. Weston

22 Oct 75

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE
READING ROOM, RATHMELL, ON WEDNESDAY,
22ND OCTOBER 1975, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT.

Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Procter, W. Jackson,
W.R. Rowland; Mr. A. Bradley and Mr. W. Bell.

APOLOGIES.

Received from Mr. H. Waddington and
Miss B. Graham.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held
on Wednesday, 10th September 1975. They were
confirmed as a correct record and signed
by the Chairman.

CORRES-
PONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Area
Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council
acknowledging our letter regarding the conditions
at Pan Beck Brow, Halton West, and
suggesting a meeting between Mr. Yorke,
Mr. Waddington and Mr. Percy, the Area Surveyor.
The Clerk was asked to send a copy of
the letter to Mr. Waddington asking him to
make the necessary arrangements with
Mr. Yorke and Mr. Percy.

A copy of a report on Bus Fares for the
Policy and Finance Committee, and letter, were
received from the Clerk of the Craven District
Council. After discussion on the bus service
in our area, the Clerk was asked to reply,
stating that we have a very inadequate
bus service at the moment which we
feel should not be increased owing to
the small number using it, and that
when the matter is being considered in

the future, thought should be given to
paying passengers on school buses and on
G.P.O. vehicles at mail collection times.

A letter was received from the County
Planning Officer of the North Yorkshire County
Council acknowledging our comments on the
County Structure Plan.

A planning application had been received
for the erection of porch to toilet facilities
at the Plough Inn, Wigglesworth. There
were no comments on this proposal.

A letter had been received from the
Technical Officer of the Craven District
Council regarding the proposal to convert
a barn at Hesley Lane, Rathmell to a
dwellinghouse with storeroom and garage.
The letter informed us that this proposal
had been granted permission subject to
conditions.

ANY OTHER
BUSINESS.

On the subject of roadside verges it had
been noted that work on mowing had
been done after a fashion, and grass
piles needed moving. Mr. Weston said
that he would speak to Mr. Staveley
as arranged.

Mr. Bradley, the Craven District Councillor
reported that he had attended a meeting
of the Yorkshire Water Authority with
regard to rural sewerage schemes. After
hearing the report, the Clerk was
asked to write to the Clerk of the

Council stating that we understand that if the Craven District Council were to requisition the Rathmell Sewerage Scheme under Section 16, a grant of up to £600 per dwelling might be obtainable, and if this was the case, would they be prepared to consider this proposal once again.

It was ~~requested~~^{enquired} reported that the laying of the water main from Giggleswick to Rathmell was making good progress, and members questioned the possibility of fire hydrants in Rathmell, from the water main. Mr. Weston said that he would make enquiries from the Yorkshire Water Authority.

Comments were made on two planning proposals (1) the re-routing of the A65 road between Rawlinshaw and Harden Bridge, and, (2) quarrying on land between the A65 south of Gasgrave, extending towards Broughton. The Clerk was asked to write to the North Yorkshire County Council and the Craven District Council expressing this Parish Council's concern at the possibility of good agricultural land being lost for food production.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

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21 Jan 76.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE INSTITUTE, HALTON WEST, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 21ST JANUARY 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors P.H. Weston, B.H. Proder, W.R. Rowland, W. Jackson, H. Waddington; Mr. A. Bradley, Miss B. Graham; and Mr. W. Bell.

MINUTES. The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 22nd October 1975. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

ROAD

RESTRICTION

AT

RATHMELL.

Appreciation was expressed that the road restriction from Giggleswick to Wigglesworth was now in operation, although no official notification had been received. It was asked if the restriction could be extended into Lancashire as heavy traffic was now using the B.6478 road from Long Preston, through Wigglesworth and beyond, causing certain problems. The Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Executive of the North Yorkshire County Council stating the above facts and referring them to a paragraph in one of their earlier letters which stated that the Lancashire County Council were being asked to make a similar order on the small section of one of the relevant County Roads which passes through Lancashire. As we presumed that this referred to the C.391 which has now been restricted as far as Wigglesworth and which continues from there to Sawley, was there any further information about Lancashire County Council's attitude to this suggestion?

PRECEPTS
1976/77. A letter had been received from the Financial Officer of the Craven District Council regarding precept requirement for the coming year. It was agreed that no precept was required.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter was received from the Craven District Council informing us that the Development Services Committee had deferred consideration of the question of requisitioning the Rathmell sewerage scheme and called for a report on the planning and public health aspects of the need to proceed with the scheme. The Clerk was asked to reply expressing concern at the suggestion whether there was any need to proceed with the scheme on public health grounds and stating again that there are still a number of earth closets and the majority of the septic tanks are very old and of obsolete pattern and give rise consequently to serious pollution problems.

A planning application had been received for the conversion of two barns at The Green, Rathmell. There were no comments on this proposal.

A letter was received from the Craven District Council asking if there were any redundant chapels or churches in the parish which could be considered for use for sport and recreation. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that there were no such redundant buildings within the Parish Council area at the present time.

A letter had been received from the Craven District Council regarding footway lighting asking our views. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that this Parish Council would be happy that footway lighting should be a District Council responsibility providing the Craven District Council institutes a system of lighting and non-lighting areas, whereby those parishes without street lighting and those who wish to provide their own do not have to pay also for those who wish to have their lighting provided by Craven District Council. Also, that none of the parishes in this Parish Council area have any lighting nor any plans for same.

A letter had been received from the Settle Area Community Council regarding the future of the Ambulance Service, asking our views. As a reply was required urgently, a letter had been sent ^{EMM} in which it was stated that we had no knowledge as to what "the development of the Ambulance Service" referred to, but as far as this Parish Council's area is concerned, the present Ambulance service is essential and should not be diminished, and that the system appears to work satisfactorily.

An acknowledgement was received regarding our letters with regard to bus fares and the Rathmell sewerage scheme.

A letter was received from Craven District Council in appreciation of our concern

about the loss of agricultural land in connection with planning proposals on the A65 Road between Harden Bridge and Rawlinshaw, and quarrying on land at Broughton

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. Mr. Weston reported that there were to be six fire hydrants on the new mains water supply to Rathmell, that is three in the village and three on the pipe line.

Mr. Waddington reported that he had met Mr. Staveley and Mr. Percy of the North Yorkshire County Council regarding Pan Beck Brow, Halton West, and they had agreed to widen the corner - work was due to start February or March 1976.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the North Yorkshire County Council asking when some improvement could be made to Cowker Brow, Wigglesworth, as since the Restriction Order on the C-391 road from Giggleswick to Wigglesworth has come into operation the need for some improvement has become even more pressing as additional heavy traffic is now using this road for access to Wigglesworth and beyond. The Clerk to write.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday, the 7th April 1976, at Wigglesworth.

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed.

W.R. Rowland 7.4.76.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CLARKE'S OLD SCHOOL, WIGGLESWORTH, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 7TH APRIL 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors W.R. Rowland, B.H. Procter, H. Waddington, W. Jackson; Mr. A. Bradley, Mr. S.D. Smith and Mr. W. Bell.

MINUTES. The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 21st January 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

A letter had been received from Craven District Council in which it was stated that they had asked the Post Office to consider providing a postbus service for Rathmell, Wigglesworth and Halton West. The Post Office had replied that owing to certain factors it was not possible in this instance. Craven District Council had agreed to consider the matter of inadequate public transport in the area in the near future. Mr. N.D. Simpson ^{ENM} of the Pennine Bus Company had been present at Rathmell Parish Meeting on Wednesday, the 31st March 1976, and had offered to improve the service by diverting the bus from Long Preston, through Wigglesworth and Rathmell to Settle. He suggested a morning and late afternoon service, Monday to Friday, and the Settle - Tosside service on Tuesdays would still remain in operation.

RATHMELL SEWERAGE SCHEME.

Correspondence had been received from Craven District Council acknowledging our letter, and

stating that they had considered the Technical Officer's report and again deferred a decision on the requisitioning of the scheme. The Technical Officer had been instructed to carry out a survey on the connection of existing properties to the sewer, if one was provided. A further request was being made by Craven District Council to the North West Water Authority to carry out this scheme as a matter of urgency as part of its capital programme. This was explained at a public meeting in Rathmell, and householders would be sent a questionnaire asking if they wished to connect to the sewer.

WEIGHT
RESTRICTION
RATHMELL

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council which stated that it was anticipated that when patterns of heavy vehicle movement had settled down, the B.6478 from Long Preston to Wigglesworth would be used mainly by local traffic, and through traffic from Giggleswick to Sawley should use the principal roads via Long Preston and Gisburn. The County Surveyor stated that the position would be kept under careful observation and he was at present in consultation with the Lancashire County Surveyor as to whether any extension to the present restriction was required.

CORRES -
PONDENCE

A letter had been received from the Financial Officer of the Craven District Council informing us that the estimated penny rate product for the year 1976/77 in respect of Ribbles Banks Parish Council is £238-00.

A planning application had been received for the erection of agricultural buildings at Long Bank Farm, Halton West. There were no comments on this proposal.

A planning application had been received for the formation of new vehicular access and extensions to buildings to provide larger feed store and bullock store at Agricultural Merchants, The Stores, Halton West. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that this Parish Council had no objections to this proposal.

A planning application was received for the erection of a steel and asbestos building for cow housing and adjoining lean-to for storage at West Thornber Farm, Wigglesworth. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that this Parish Council had no objections to this proposal.

A letter had been received from the County Area Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council regarding Cowber Brow, Wigglesworth, informing us that this scheme had been considered by the Highways & Transportation Committee and it was intended to approach the landowners with a view to buying land during the financial year 1976/77 and carrying out the work during 1977/78. The Clerk was asked to reply asking if the scheme could be brought forward as more heavy traffic was now using the road.

Accounts for the use of rooms for Parish Council meetings had been sent from Halton West and Wigglesworth.

A letter had been received from Mr. Weston in which he said that on health grounds he would not be available for nomination as a Councillor. The clerk was asked to write to Mr. Weston thanking him for the service he had given in the past year.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. The Annual General Meeting was arranged for Wednesday, the 19th May 1976, at Rathmell Reading Room.

B. H. Procter. 19-5-76.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM, RATHMELL, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 19TH MAY 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors W. Jackson, B. H. Procter and J. Harrison; Mr. P. H. Weston, Mr. A. Bradley, and Mr. W. Bell.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN. Mr. P. H. Weston opened the meeting and explained that the new Council was for three years. He welcomed Mr. J. Harrison as a new Councillor. It was agreed to elect a temporary chairman for this meeting, the appointment of Chairman to be re-considered at the next meeting when all Councillors would be present. It was proposed by Mr. Jackson, and seconded by Mr. Harrison that Mr. Procter be appointed temporary chairman for the evening. Mr. Procter accepted the position. Mr. Weston stepped down and Mr. Procter took the chair.

ELECTION OF CLERK. It was proposed by Mr. Harrison and seconded by Mr. Jackson that Mrs. Marsh be appointed Clerk. Mrs. Marsh agreed to the appointment for another year.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN. It was agreed to consider this appointment at the next meeting.

Mr. Procter, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Harrison then signed the forms of declaration of acceptance of office as parish councillors.

MINUTES. The clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 7th April 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter had been received from the Environmental Health Department of the Craven District Council regarding the provision of litterbins in this Parish Council area. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that we would like one small litterbin by Rathmell Reading Room and one large litterbin at the settle end of the Rathmell Brow lay-by. In Wigglesworth we would like two small litterbins, one at the junction of the Rathmell to Long Preston Road, and one at the Slaidburn end of the Plough Car Park. We would also like one small litterbin in the centre of Halton West village.

A letter had been received from the County Area Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council informing us that it

would not be possible to bring forward the date of the proposed widening of the road at Cowber Brow, Wigglesworth. This scheme was included in the estimates for 1976-77.

A planning application had been received for the erection of external fire escape at the Plough Inn, Wigglesworth. This application was outside the time limit for our observations.

A letter had been received from Craven District Council about footway lighting, informing us that as the majority of parish councils do not favour the suggestion that the District Council should assume responsibility for all footway lighting throughout the District, not to pursue the matter any further. Also that as the footway lighting in Skipton is largely for amenities provided by the District Council, that this cost should continue to be a charge on the District rate.

An account had been received for the use of Rathmell Reading Room for Parish Council meetings.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

A complaint had been received that roadside gutters on Mill Lane, Rathmell, were blocked with debris, as a result of large trees overhanging the road and causing wagons carrying hay and straw to lose some of their load. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council asking if anything could be done regarding the trimming of the trees.

The Clerk was also asked to point out that there were some bushes overhanging a garden wall at Four Lane Ends, Giggleswick, making visibility poor at the junction, and could he advise us on this matter.

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Simpson of the Pennine Bus Company asking if there was any further development regarding the possibility of a bus service through Rathmell and Wigglesworth which was discussed at Rathmell Parish Meeting recently.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Financial Officer of the Craven District Council asking if the balance between the penny rate product for which we precepted during 1975, and the amount which we received, could be forwarded.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday, the 16th June 1976, at Halton West.

B. H. Prokes
16-6-76

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT HALTON WEST VILLAGE INSTITUTE ON WEDNESDAY, THE 16TH JUNE 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT.

Councillors B.H. Procter, W. Jackson and Mr. J.S. Harrison; Mr. A. Bradley and Mr. W. Bell.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

This item had been carried over from the previous meeting as all members had not been present and Mr. B.H. Procter had been appointed temporary chairman for that meeting. Mr. A. Bradley took the chair and opened the meeting. Mr. J.S. Harrison proposed that Mr. B.H. Procter be elected Chairman, and this was seconded by Mr. W. Jackson. Mr. B.H. Procter accepted the appointment and took the chair.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

This item had also been carried over from the previous meeting, and as the position was still the same (that is all councillors not being present) it was decided to re-consider this appointment at the next meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Received from Mr. H. Waddington and Mr. W.R. Rowland.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

Mr. B.H. Procter signed the form of declaration of acceptance of office as Chairman of the Parish Council.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held ~~at~~ on the 19th May 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

RATHMELL SEWERAGE SCHEME.

The Development Services Committee of the Craven District Council had recently recommended that the Rathmell Sewerage Scheme should be requisitioned. This had yet to be placed before the full Council and was only a Committee decision at the moment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer of the Craven District Council, acknowledging our letter regarding litterbins.

A letter had been received from the Financial Officer of the Craven District Council explaining the parish precept and that he was unable to advance any further money from the estimated balance of £42-00.

Correspondence had been received regarding Dutch Elm Disease. It was decided that the posters be handed to the Rathmell & District Young Farmers' Club.

A letter had been received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council acknowledging our letter and stating that he would have the gutters on Mill Lane, Rathmell ~~at~~ looked at as soon as possible. He also stated that the responsibility

for lopping trees in grass verges and land adjacent to the highway was that of the adjacent owners or occupiers. With regard to some overhanging bushes at Four Lane Ends, Giggleswick, he had approached the owner. Mr. J.S. Harrison stated that two large ash trees on the left hand side of Mill Lane, Rathmell (proceeding towards Giggleswick) were the property of Mr. J. Mansergh. Mr. Harrison had lopped some of his trees and agreed to carry out further lopping. Mr. B.H. Procter stated that he would call and see Mr. Mansergh about his trees.

A letter had been received from Pennine Motor Services stating that a bus service would operate in due course on the lines mentioned at the Rathmell Parish Meeting.

A letter had been received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer of the Craven District Council asking if there were any trade organisations within the Parish Council area who would be interested in supporting a Sunday Trading Order. It was proposed by Mr. J.S. Harrison and seconded by Mr. W. Jackson that the Clerk approach Harpers Stores and Pilling & Thorpe, and depending on their answers take the necessary action. The Clerk subsequently submitted the names of both trade organisations to the Health Officer.

ANY
OTHER
BUSINESS.

Mr. B.H. Procter and Mr. W. Jackson stated that they had recently attended a meeting at Settle Police Station and had heard a talk on Policing of Rural Areas.

It was mentioned that farmers were now concerned about obtaining movement permits for store sheep and lambs. These permits were now to be issued by Ministry Inspectors at Auction Marts, nine days previous to the date of being conveyed to the Auction Mart.

Mr. W. Jackson said that he had received a complaint about potholes on the high Rathmell road. It was agreed to leave this item and report further at the next meeting.

Members expressed concern about the state of the roadside verges and the policy of the North Yorkshire County Council to mow roadside verges once a year. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Surveyor at Northallerton asking if this cut could be made earlier in the growing season to try and eliminate the rapid spreading of the plant known as Cow Parsley which was causing a great amount of visual obstruction on the C.391 Giggleswick - Wigglesworth Road. A copy of this letter was forwarded to the Divisional Surveyor at Ingleton.

It was mentioned that work on Pan Beck Brow, Halton West, had not yet

started. It was agreed that we should wait until the next meeting, and if work had not commenced by then, to write to the County Area Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday, the 1st September 1976, at Wigglesworth.

B. H. Procter 1-9-76

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CLARKE'S OLD SCHOOL, WIGGLESWORTH, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 1ST SEPTEMBER 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT.

Councillors B.H. Procter, H. Waddington, W. Jackson, and Mr. J.S. Harrison; Mr. A. Bradley, Miss B. Graham and Mr. W. Bell.

APOLOGIES.

Received from Mr. W.R. Rowland.

DECLARATION

OF ACCEPT-

ANCE OF

OFFICE.

Mr. H. Waddington signed the form of declaration of acceptance of office as a Parish Councillor.

MINUTES.

The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 16th June 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS

ARISING.

Mr. Waddington stated that work had still not started on Pan Beck Brow, Halton West. It was proposed by Mr. Waddington and seconded by Mr. Jackson that the Clerk should write to the County Area Surveyor

of the North Yorkshire County Council saying that we had been informed that work was due to commence February or March 1976, and asking when they intended starting work on this road improvement scheme.

With regard to the trees along Mill Lane, Rathmell, ^{those} which were said to be the property of Mr. James Mansergh, Mr. Procter stated that he had spoken to Mr. Mansergh who said he had given these trees to the Council. Mr. Procter said he would see Mr. Mansergh again and ask him if he had any confirmation if the Council had accepted them.

Mr. J.S. Harrison also said that he would undertake to trim his trees within the next two months.

It was reported that there was a hazardous pothole on Mill Lane, Rathmell, and the Clerk was asked to write to the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council asking if he would look into the matter.

On the subject of the Rathmell sewerage scheme, Craven District Council had now decided not to requisition the scheme. In the meantime they had decided to get out a priority list.

ELECTION

OF

VICE-

CHAIRMAN.

It was proposed by Mr. Harrison and seconded by Mr. Jackson that Mr. Waddington be elected Vice-Chairman. Mr. Waddington accepted the appointment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Technical Officer of the Craven District Council notifying us that the proposal for formation of new vehicular access and extensions to buildings at Agricultural Merchants, The Stores, Halton West, had now been granted permission subject to conditions.

A letter was received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council in reply to our letter asking for the provision of an additional litter bin at Rathmell Brow lay-by. Mr. Staveley stated that he was unable to provide an additional litter bin on this site during the present financial year. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Staveley enquiring if this item was on the priority list for the next financial year.

A letter was received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council acknowledging our letter regarding the mowing of roadside verges. Mr. Staveley stated that the policy for the present grass cutting season was that no cutting of grass would be carried out, except in urban areas and at road junctions where the grass affected visibility. A similar letter was received from the County Surveyor explaining that these instructions were as a result of cuts in highway maintenance imposed by the Government. The Clerk was asked to reply to the County Surveyor, putting forward some of our ideas as to how the Government could

use their financial resources, regarding highways, to the best advantage. The main points raised were (1) Spending less money on excessive schemes and simplifying them to the minimum. (2) Laying of kerbstones in rural areas unnecessary. (3) Saving money by not mowing roadsides is a disgrace to the appearance of our countryside and extremely dangerous, and there seems little point in farmers trying to eliminate such weeds as Thistle and Cow Parsley from their fields when they are allowed to grow on the roadsides at random.

A letter was received from the Chairman of the North Craven Jubilee Committee asking for a list of unsightly plots within the parish, and asking a representative to attend the Open Day being arranged by the Civic Society in Upper Settle on Saturday, the 18th September 1976. Councillors could not think of any unsightly places in the area they wished to submit on the list. Mr. B.H. Procter offered to represent this Parish Council.

A letter and pamphlet entitled "War Against Road Transport" was received from Mr. R.D. Leakey of the North Craven Action Group. Miss Graham bought the booklet, price 50 pence, and the Clerk was asked to reply stating that we, as a Parish Council, could not support all his ideas.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Craven District Council regarding Skipton

By-Pass, ~~and~~ stating that we wholeheartedly support the construction of the Skipton By-Pass and hope this project can be carried out as quickly as possible.

A letter was received from the Environmental Health Officer of Craven District Council with regard to the Shops Act 1950 and 1965, in which he said he would contact the Post Offices at Rathmell and Wigglesworth.

A list of Clerks to Parish Councils and Chairmen of Parish Meetings had been received. This was to be filed, for information.

A poster on Rabies had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture. This was to be displayed in Rathmell Reading Room.

A letter was received from Craven District Council explaining period of office, casual vacancies and memberships of Parish Councils. This was to be filed, for information.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Mr. Procter stated that if there was plenty of support to a Mini-bus service taking children from outlying villages to Settle Swimming Pool, perhaps one or two nights per week, this may be a possible arrangement by a local bus firm, in the near future.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday the 10th November 1976, at Rathmell Reading Room.

B.H. Procter. 10-11-76.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM, RATHMELL, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 10TH NOVEMBER 1976, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors B.H. Procter, H. Waddington, J.S. Harrison, W.R. Rowland, Mr. A. Bradley, Miss B. Graham and Mr. W. Bell.

APOLOGIES Received from Mr. W. Jackson.

FOR ABSENCE. Miss Graham had sent a letter as she had to attend another meeting but said she would come later.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE. Mr. W. R. Rowland signed the form of declaration of acceptance of office as a Parish Councillor.

MINUTES. The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 16th June 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

MATTERS ARISING. It was stated that the pothole on Mill Lane, Rathmell, had been repaired, but now it was noticed that water was running across the road above the repaired pothole and this may be rather dangerous in frosty weather.

It was reported by Mr. Waddington that water was running across the road at Thornber Hill Corner, near the road junction to Halton West. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council asking if he would look into both these matters.

A letter had been received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council regarding Pan Beck Brow, Hallon West. Mr. Staveley stated that it had been agreed that subject to money and labour being available every attempt would be made to put work in hand before the end of March 1976, but unfortunately neither labour nor finance became available and the work could not be carried out. However, Mr. Staveley had met Mr. Yorke and agreed the amount of land to be taken and the accommodation works required, and hoped to put the work in hand in the near future.

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council regarding grasscutting. He assured us that money was not spent on excessive schemes and the layout adopted for improvements was to the minimum accepted standards appropriate to the class of road involved. The County Surveyor stated that our remarks on grasscutting would be brought to the attention of the Highways and Transportation Committee.

A letter was received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council in reply to our request for the provision of an additional litter-bin at Rathmell Brow lay-by. He stated that our request would be borne in mind for the financial year 1977-78.

Regarding Cowber Brow, Wigglesworth, Miss Graham, in her letter, stated that this was quite a large job and negotiations were proceeding with the landowner to acquire the land for the improvement.

CORRESPONDENCE - A letter had been received from the Chief Executive of the Craven District Council in connection with The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal 1977. Mr. A. Bradley said that he would be attending the meeting.

A letter was also received from the Clerk of Craven District Council asking if this Council had any plans for commemorating the Silver Jubilee.

A letter was received from the Clerk of Craven District Council regarding Polling Places. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that we were satisfied with the polling places used at present, at Rathmell, Wigglesworth and Hallon West.

A letter was received from Craven District Council asking for an up-to-date list of Local Organisations in the Parish Council area. The Clerk was asked to reply.

A planning application had been received just after the last meeting of the Council, for the erection of buildings for livestock housing and forage storage at Far Cappelside, Rathmell. The Clerk contacted the Vice-Chairman and replied, stating that this Parish Council had no objections.

A planning application had been received for extension to dwelling at Mount Pleasant, Wigglesworth, to provide new kitchen, dining-room and two additional bedrooms. Mr. Bradley stated that this proposal had been approved.

A planning application had been received for the erection of single storey, flat-roofed extension to existing Police VHF Radio Station at Dunhazels, Wigglesworth. Mr. Bradley stated that this proposal had also been approved.

A planning application had been received for the erection of two cottages with garages in part of Field No. 329 at Rathmell. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that this Parish Council had no objections.

A letter and report were received from The Local Government Boundary Commission for England. To be filed for information.

An account had been received from the Department of the Environment for £6-48 for the audit of accounts for the year ending 31st March 1976. It was agreed that this account be paid. Mr. Bradley said that he would look into the matter of heavy charges for auditing accounts.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. It was stated that the Settle Swimming Pool Bus Service was now in operation, and members asked if a letter could be

sent to the Financial Officer of Craven District Council asking if a portion of our rates could be used to assist in the running of our local Baths at Settle. The Clerk was asked to write.

Miss Graham and Mr. Bradley said that they had attended a meeting at the North West Water Authority regarding the proposed Hellifield Reservoir, and had learned that this was now the most favoured scheme. The Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Executive of the North Yorkshire County Council expressing our concern about the development, and asking the North Yorkshire County Council to seek full membership of the North West Water Authority in order to safeguard local interests.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday the 19th January 1977, at Halton West.

B.H. Probi.
19-1-77.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT HALTON WEST VILLAGE INSTITUTE, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 19TH JANUARY 1977, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT. Councillors B.H. Procter, H. Waddington, W. Jackson, J.S. Harrison, W.R. Rowland, Miss B. Graham, Mr. A. Bradley; and Mr. W. Bell.

MINUTES. The Clerk read the minutes of a meeting held on the 10th November 1976. They were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING. With regard to the pothole on Mill Lane, Rathmell, a letter had been received from the County Divisional Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council stating that men had been working in the Rathmell area opening up ditches etc., and if this matter and a similar complaint at Halton West had not been attended to, he would put work in hand as soon as possible. Mr. Waddington said that he had seen men working at Thornber Hill corner.

Mr. Waddington also said that men were working on Pan Beck Brow, Halton West.

With regard to the planning application for the erection of two cottages at Rathmell, a letter had been received from the Technical Officer of Craven District Council informing us that this application had now been withdrawn.

Concerning the excess charge for audit, this

had been found to be a standard charge, and nothing could be done about it.

In reply to our request for financial assistance in the running of Settle Swimming Baths, a letter had been received from the Financial Officer of Craven District Council stating that the Council owned Baths at Skipton are a charge on the rates for the Craven District Council area. The Baths at Settle were built from public subscriptions and are managed at the present time by Trustees. Craven District Council are not involved in any way with the day to day management of the Pool, and made grants to Settle Swimming Pool Committee of £700 in 1974/5 and £6,000 in 1975/6 and also allowed the Committee to take up a loan to a maximum of £6,000. Craven District Council are prepared to consider allowing the Settle Swimming Pool to receive relief on the rates they pay, but a resolution, yet to be confirmed, regrets that they cannot provide any further finance at the present time.

On the subject of the Hellifield Reservoir, Mr. Bradley said that he understood that consultants would consult the local people to alert them regarding the reservoir. ~~and a ^{sum} of a £.~~ The Clerk was asked to write to the North West Water Authority asking what steps they proposed to take themselves to acquaint those affected by their proposals.

REPORT
FROM
DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR

Mr. Bradley commented on the bad surface of the C.391 road between Rathmell and Four Lane Ends, Giggleswick. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Surveyor of the North Yorkshire County Council about the shocking state of this road following the re-surfacing operation carried out in 1976, which was causing grave concern to local road users due to the fact that various vehicles had been damaged, i.e. one broken windscreen, damage to head-lamps and extensive paint damage. The letter also asked for an explanation; when it was going to be remedied, and if there was any means of compensation for damage to vehicles due to the very inadequate road surface.

Mr. Bradley said that a survey had been carried out of water supplies at Wigglesworth and Halton West, and it was found that various supplies were unsatisfactory. The report recommended that Wigglesworth be put on a public supply, and Halton West install a purification plant or be put on a public supply.

REPORT
FROM
COUNTY
COUNCILLOR

Miss Graham reported on the County Budget. Education, Highways and Agriculture had all been cut back drastically.

RECEIPT
1977/78.

It was agreed that the amount precepted should be 1/2p. Rate. The Clerk was asked to inform the Financial Officer of Craven District Council.

CORRES-
PONDENCE.

A letter had been received from the Chief Executive of Craven District Council enclosing the minutes of the Craven District Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal Inaugural Meeting held on the 30th November 1976. A request was made for a representative to be sent to the next meeting on the 25th January 1977. Mr. Bradley said that he would be attending this meeting.

A letter had been received from the Clerk of the Craven District Council asking if anyone wished to purchase additional copies of the Council's Year Book. No copies were required.

A letter had been received from the Settle Centre of Craven College of Adult Education, enclosing the Minutes of the November meeting and asking if we wished to send a representative to serve on the Advisory Committee. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that Mr. B. Procter would be our representative.

A letter had been received from the Clerk of Settle Town Council inviting us to send a representative to a meeting of the Publicity Committee for Settle & District. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that we are unable to send a representative to this meeting, but we would approach other parishioners on this subject and would like to be informed of the date of the next meeting.