

Notes from old minute book that run from 1931 to 1970 held in Suffolk Record Office

Floods Sewage Allotment Ownership Electricity Supply Water Supply Gas Supply

Date	Note
1938 April	The PC requested that electricity be brought to the village. This was turned down by the Electric Company as too few residents wanted it.
1938 May	The PC discussed provisions for Air Raid Wardens and a first aid station. The latter was suggested to be in the Rectory, Church Hall or the Scout Rooms. At a later meeting the nominations for A.R.W. was again discussed as most of those that had agreed had also registered as Special Constable which gave an allowance. As they could not do both jobs new names was sort.
	All meetings from this until 1939 only discussed allotments and payments
16/10/41	PC asked to organise a "Flag Day" for 28 th July 1942. No volunteers so a villager was asked.
14/3/45	PC agreed for Electricity to come to the village.
	During the whole period between 1939 and 1945 the war and any matters relating to it was never mentioned. I did notice that the same names appeared all through this period. No mention of "National" service, The Agricultural food policy, rationing etc.. All that is discussed is the "allotments – non payment, not being used and sub letting.
17/10/46	Discussion on keeping a " clear water " course through the village. " Clear " is mentioned in several meetings. I got the impression that this was the source of fresh water for villager? A Great Flood was mentioned in the village and the need to clear ditches.
7/3/47	Another report of flooding in Hessett due to water courses not being cleared.
12/8/47	No one wanted to be Chairman. Clerk had to remind the PC that they had to elect one.
29/4/49	Flooding in village
11/10/51	The Village Well was discussed. Parishioners who had used it for 40 years or more had complained that there was no other water supply . The new owner of the property in which the well stood had imposed a charge of 5/- a year to use it. The clerk was asked to investigate. NO ADDRESS GIVEN
3/11/54	A letter from Mrs Bullett was discussed who claimed ownership of an area of the "Heath" allotments. Clerk to write asking for proof.
9/3/55	PC to instruct solicitor Green & Green to look into Mrs Bulletts claim for rent.
30/3/55	Allotments: Mrs Bullett's claim for rent was discussed and the solicitors were satisfied that there could be no payment until 1956 and her share would be 9p.
22/4/55	The PC paid Greene King for a seat to be placed at the front of the Five Bells Pub.
3/11/55	Clerk was instructed to write to Mrs Bullett regarding her claim for rent for allotment land she claimed she owned and provide proof.
9/3/56	Discussion took place regarding the removal of an "air raid" shelter on the allotments.
26/4/56	Discussed if the seat outside the Five Bells Pub should be painted.
3/6/58	No one wanted to be Chairman?
1/7/58	Flooding near No 1 council house The Green. Clerk to request that water drainage pipes be laid along The Street.
7/11/58	Clerk to write to the water company re foul water coming from two inspection covers at property on the Green. THIS APPEARED TO BE A COMMUNUL SEPTIC TANK?
13/1/59	Clerk requested to write to RDC on behalf of a parishioner who was ill and his treatment involved a daily bath and that his property had no plumbing or water .

17/3/59	Wrote to CC concerning flooding in The Street.
21/11/59	RDC are inspecting the village for sewage piping.
28/7/60	Clerk to write to RDC asking to know how soon main sewage would come to Hessett.
11/10/60	RDC replied that sewers likely to be installed in 1963.
11/10/60	Mrs Bullett again claimed 32 pitches (not sure if right word as difficult to read writing) of the "Heath" allotment land. She was again asked for proof.
24/10/60	Mrs Bullett's solicitor requested 20 years rent at 9p. She was asked for proof.
24/10/60	RDC told about flooding . Asked to clear ditches.
29/5/61	Clerk instructed to write to West Suffolk County Council and complain again about flooding on the Green which happens year on year.
9/10/61	WSDC will leave matters on flooding until after the Drainage Bill is passed.
6/2/63	Main Gas pipes laid in village.
9/5/63	Problem raised concerning parking on The Green by Council tenants.
30/5/63	Hessett Sewage Scheme letters and maps were seen by the PC. Wrote to car owners who parked on The Green.
2/8/63	RDC to compulsory purchase land at corner of Drinkstone and Beyton Road for a pumping station.
9/10/63	Old Parish Records to be given to Record Office.
4/3/64	A report read out on the proposed sewage and building project.
26/5/64	Flooding in The Street informed CC.
12/10/64	Concern of sanitary arrangements for new houses in The Street. Expressed concern about overflow of septic tanks.
From 1961/63	Costs and quotes obtained and discussed for the building of a new village hall on the Green during most of the OC meeting during this period. After 1963 it does not appear again?
29/5/65	Wrote to County regarding flooding caused by new drainage works.
1/12/65	Flooding caused by sewers.
20/3/67	Flooding by the Church.
9/10/67	Parking on Green – Letters sent.
Between 1967 and 1968 discussions took place concerning bulldozing the Green flat and trying to obtain grants for this and a play area.	
23/1/68	The Clerk to register "common land" as PC's. These were listed as Village Green, Small piece of land opposite Drinkstone Road, new allotments at the Heath. This was to be done with the assistants of TBDC. Photos of flooding in the village during November 1967 were shown.
28/3/68	The rector asked for assistants for the upkeep of the churchyard. He suggest a sum equivalent to a 1p rate. The Rector withdrew his request a week after the meeting. Flooding-2" of water lay over Beyton Road. Clerk to inform council.
30/1/69	The PC decided not to contribute to the Church Ground maintenance.
26/8/69	Complaints of parking of a lorry on the back road to Lime Tree Close.
4/11/69	District Council will take police action regarding parking on Lime Tree Road once it is adopted, PC purchased 6 x "No Parking" signs for the Green. The cost of a Play Ground on the Green was to be investigated.
17/2/70	The PC to purchase road names for the whole village.
3/12/70	Letters sent to all those that are parking on the Green