

Collecting money for the above Fund.
It was eventually proposed by Mr. Robinson and
seconded by Mr. Charles Rix that the Chairman,
with the assistance of Mr. Tom Rix, should
undertake a house to house collection and
also that the authorities of the Church and
Chapel should be approached in order that
an opportunity might be given to them to
appoint a Service at which a collection
would be taken and given to this Fund.
This concluded the business on hand and the
Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

C.W. Ingham.

Jan. 23rd 1953. A Parish Meeting was held in the Day School Room
on the evening of Jan. 23rd 1953 at 7-15 pm. due
notice having been posted on the Church & Chapel
notice boards and in the Post Office. Notices
were also posted in the two licensed houses in the
Village The Bell and The Mule Horse.

Parishioners present were Mrs. Ralph Proctor & Mrs. J.
Armsby and Mrs. R. Miller and Messrs. R.G. Robinson,
P. Warner, T. Haines, W. Miller, J. Miller & R. Miller,
S.T. Proctor, P. Armsby, B. Armsby, & J. Armsby,
S. Clarke, Tom Rix & H. Rix.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and
approved being then signed by the Chairman.
Coming out of these minutes the Chairman said
that the sum of £10 had been subscribed by
the house to house collection for the King
George VI Memorial Fund and £2 from the
Church Collection, making a total of £12.
The Chairman had learnt from Mr. P. Warner

that a collection for this Fund had previously been taken at a Sunday Chapel Service and forwarded to the King George VI Memorial Fund. Receipts for £10 and £2 were received by the Chairman from Mr. A.B. Harrison, Treasurer of the Fund at the Donnington Rural District Council Offices where a record received from each parish will be kept. The receipt for the Church Collection was handed to Mr. R.G. Robinson.

A general discussion then followed as to the various forms of entertainment which should take place in the Village on Coronation Day and a decision was reached that this would depend on how much money was available. The present balance of £17 of parish funds was considered insufficient to spend on these celebrations and it was therefore proposed by Mr. S.J. Proctor and seconded by Mr. W. Miller that a house to house collection be made to raise a Coronation Fund. The Chairman said that he would be pleased to do this with the help of Mr. Tom Rix on the same lines as the King George VI Memorial Fund Collection. The Chairman then said he would ask Mr. Stephenson of Stoke Ferry if he would be so good as to give one of his film shows in the Village at which there would be a Silver Collection and the proceeds would go to the Coronation Fund.

The subject of Coronation Cups for the children, as a commemoration of the day, was then raised and after the Chairman had promised to obtain a sample cup for the approval of the Meeting, Mr. R.G. Robinson

said that he would be very pleased to present these cups as a gift to all the children & school children of the village. A vote of thanks was then proposed to Mr. Robinson by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. W. Miller. After this various propositions were put forward as suggestions for functions to be held on Coronation Day, they included teas for the children, gifts voted for the old, fireworks, the planting of trees as a permanent village commemoration or a seat to be placed by the pond. The Chairman promised to see Mr. A.B. Harrison and the Food Office with regard to allowances for children and extra rations to be applied for in the event of teas. With regard to the above propositions it was felt that further discussion would take place at some future meeting after more consideration had been given to them.

It was agreed that the next Meeting should be held on Friday Evening Feb: 13th. 1953 at 7.15 pm.

After this the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

C.H. Ingham

Feb: 13th 1953.

A Parish Meeting was held in connection with the Coronation Celebrations in the School Room on Friday evening Feb: 13th. at 7-15 pm. due notice having been given on the Church & Chapel notice boards and in the Post office and other public premises. Parishioners present were:

Mrs. R. Proctor, Mrs. R. Miller, Mrs. B. Armsby, Mrs. F. Savage, Mrs. C. Payne and Messrs. T. Rix, Bert Armsby, J. Armsby, W. J. & R. Miller, Ralph Proctor & S. J. Proctor, P. Warner, C. Payne, F. Savage, Tim Rix, Herb. Rix & Ches. Rix, W. Sherwood & E. Carter. Mr. C. M. Ingham

was in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved, and signed by the Chairman. Arising out of these minutes it was proposed by Mrs. Armsby and seconded by Mr. T. Rix that Mr. P. Warner be appointed Treasurer for the Coronation Fund which now totals £55-3-3 being subscribed by house to house collection, films shown in the Chapel school rooms and raffle for a cockedle kindly presented by Mr. Anth. Rix.

A letter was then read by the Chairman from the Downham Rural District Council regarding an appeal to be made in the village for the Norfolk Flood Relief Fund. After some discussion it was agreed to organise another house to house collection and the proceeds to be forwarded to Mr. A. B. Harrison, clerk to the Council.

Discussion was then resumed on the Coronation Day functions and two committees were appointed for entertainments and sports. Mrs. R. Proctor and Mrs. R. Miller were

proposed and seconded for organising any
entertainments during the day and evening and
Mr. R. Proctor and Mr. R. Miller were proposed
and seconded as forming a Sports Committee
to run in conjunction with Miss Hanbury's
School sports.

The Chairman then suggested that, as a rough
guide, the allocation of money to the various
committees from the Fund might be £20 to
the Tea Committee, £15 for Sports Committee
(including gifts for the old people and the cost
of the trees) and £10 to the Dance
Committee. More suggestions were made regarding
events at the Sports and it was suggested that
a Fancy Dress Parade be organized for the
children, also that an insurance policy
be taken out to cover the Sports Meeting
and other events during the day.

After this the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

C. W. Ingham.

Apr: 24th 1953

A Parish Meeting was held in connection with
the Coronation Celebrations in the School Room on
Friday evening Apr: 24th 1953 at 7-30 pm. due
notices having been posted. Parishioners and
members of the various committees present were:
Mrs. R. Proctor, Mrs. R. Miller, Mrs. F. Savage and
Miss Hanbury & Messrs. R. G. Robinson, P. Warner.
W. R. Miller, S. Proctor, ~~and~~ C. Rix and T. Rix.
Mr. C. W. Ingham was in the chair.
The minutes of the last meeting were read,
approved and signed by the Chairman.
Arising out of these minutes the Chairman

then said that the Coronation Fund amounting to £55-3-3 was now in the hands of the Treasurer, Mr. P. Warner, and all applications for cash expenditure should be made to him on behalf of the Coronation Celebrations. With regard to the Norfolk Flood Relief fund a sum of £40 had been collected and paid into Mr. A.B. Harrison, clerk to the Downham Rural District Council, and for which a receipt was now held. Notice of the amount ^{collected} had appeared in the 39th list in the Eastern Daily Press.

It was then suggested by Mr. R. Miller that the catering for the Coronation Day Celebrations be undertaken by a catering establishment. After some discussion the Chairman put this matter to the vote by a show of hands and it was agreed that Mr. Miller should ask Mr. Thane of the Bull Hotel, Stoke Ferry, at what price he was prepared to undertake the catering for 150 people.

After this some discussion took place among the committees regarding the events to take place on the Coronation Day as regards sports ^{in the afternoon} and entertainment in the evening. Mrs. B. Loxine and Mrs. J. Ingham would be asked to judge the Children's Fancy Dress Parade. It was agreed that the next meeting would be called for May 8th.

The chairman then declared the meeting closed.

C. W. Ingham

May 8th 1953. A Parish meeting was held in the School Rooms in connection with the Coronation Celebrations on Friday evening May 8th 1953 at 7.30 pm. Due notices having been posted. Parishioners and members of the various committees were present: Mrs. R. Proctor, Mrs. R. Miller, Miss Hanbury, Mrs. F. Savage, & Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Armsky, W. & R. Miller, S. Proctor, P. Warner, G. Rix, Bert Armsky.

Mr. G. W. Ingham was in the Chair. Mr. R. Miller then reported on his talk with Mr. Thane of the Bull Hotel Stoke Ferry as regards the catering for Coronation Day. Mr. Miller said Mr. Thane's figure was 4/- per head not including tea - 3 extra per head would be charged for this. The chairman put the matter to the vote and it was agreed to pay the figure of 4/3 per head. The chairman then suggested that a Programme of Events on the Coronation Day should be printed and a copy be put into each house, he would undertake this matter & report at the next meeting. Discussions then took place between the committees with regard to sports and Entertainment and the amount of money which could be allotted for the various functions.

It was agreed that the next and final meeting should be held on May 27th at 7.30. The chairman then declared the meeting closed.

G. W. Ingham

May 27th 1953.

A final Parish Meeting was held on the evening of May 27th at 7.30 in the School Rooms in connection with the Coronation Celebrations. The various committees discussed the Programme of events to be held during Coronation Day and final arrangements were made regarding the serving of teas. The sports programme and the Social to be held in the evening were discussed at length and final conclusions were reached as to how these events should be carried out, after which the chairman declared the meeting closed.

C.W. Ingham
Chairman.

June 2nd 1953. CORONATION DAY.

It has been suggested to me by one of the Committee that a short account be written in the minute book of the events which took place in the village on this Coronation Day in order that ~~there~~^{it} may serve as a record for future reference.

" A United Service was held in the Village Church of All Saints at 9.30 in the morning, the Rev. ~~the~~ G.E. Childs officiating. The next event was to be the parade of the children in fancy dress and afterwards the judging at 2.30 in the afternoon. Owing to the very bad weather conditions prevailing throughout the day this event was held in the School Rooms.

Succeeding this event the children were then taken for a ride round the countryside in cars very kindly lent for the occasion

by Mr. Robinson and Mr. Warner. This proved such a success that it was repeated later in the afternoon. Tea took place between 4.30 and 6 o'clock in the School Room and in the Chapel School Room. During the evening a Social was held in the School Rooms where dancing and games took place. Special mention might be made here of the excellent work done during this Social by Mrs. Ralph Proctor and Mrs. Bob Miller which contributed so much in making the evening such a success.

Due to the very bad weather conditions the Children's Sports in the afternoon and Sports for the Crown-ups in the early evening were cancelled.

Programme sheets showing the times for the different events throughout the day were printed and distributed to every household.

Wm. Ingham

Summary of Income & Expenses for the Coronation Celebrations.

Income.

	£.	s.	d.
House Collection	55.	3.	3
Miss Manbury.	18.	0	
Brooke Bond	10.	0	
Mr. Savage.			
	56.	11.	3

Expenditure.

	£.	s.	d.
Teas.	40.	0.	0
Insurance.	1.	15.	0
Savages.	5.	8.	6
Entertainments Committee.	6.	16.	11
Sunday School Decoration.	1.	0.	0
Fancy Dress Prizes	2.	18.	0
Sports	2.	18.	9
	£60.	17.	2

The debit balance of £4.6.0 was subscribed to by Mr. Robinson, Mr. Miller and Mr. P. Warner.

1953.

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Day School Rooms on Monday March 30th. at 7 pm due notice having been posted on the Church & Chapel Notice Boards.

Parishoners present were Mr. R.G. Robinson, Mr. Charles Rix, Mr. Tom Rix, Mr. P. Warner with Mr. C.W. Ingham in the Chair. Mr. R.G. Robinson proposed and Mr. Charles Rix seconded that Mr. C.W. Ingham be appointed as Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Chairman then read the minutes of the last meeting which were approved. It was proposed that the Chairman ^{should} write to some authority regarding the rapid increase of weeds in the pond of recent years and also that the fencing of the Pond on the roadside should ~~be~~ receive attention. Mr. Tom Rix suggested that the War Memorial in the Churchyard be cleaned & re-lettered.

These suggestions were noted by the Chairman who promised that he would contact authorities who could deal with them in due course.

This concluded the business and the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

C.W. Ingham