

PUBLIC DUTIES - THE FIRST POTTON PARISH COUNCIL- 1895.



H.Woodman, W.Bond Smith, C.BARTLE, George Kitchener, F.W.Braybrooks, W.Smith, W.M.Boness, J.W.Felts, Clerk; W.Perry, F.Jakes, Jas.Blundell, Edward Sills, Chairman, A.Richardson, A.Ginn, J.MANNING.

The following information is taken from the Annual Meetings Minute Book and Newspaper Accounts...

May 12th 1894

PARISH COUNCILS BILL

On Monday week, in the Congregational Schoolroom, a meeting was held to consider the Parish Council Bill and its relation to Potton.... some 60 - 70 persons were present. The Bill was discussed as it affected the Charities and Allotments and the meeting considered it advisable that a meeting to consider general parish matters should be held once a month. A committee of 17 gentlemen was formed to consider matters brought forward.

December 8th 1894

Mr.W.Bond Smith, Overseer, called the meeting on the instructions of the Local Government Board....he hoped that in the event of a contested election taking place the fight would be without animus so that friendship could be maintained between opponents after the election was over.

Forty two names were received and votes were taken by a show of hands, but a pole was demanded by F.W.Richardson, Hogg Hill, and G.BARTLE, King Street.

The election for the first Parish Council took place on December 17th 1894. George Bartle and James Manning were two of six candidates selected by the Committee of the Market Gardeners's Association.

POTTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Sir,	I HEREB	Y GIVE YO	U NOTICE	that an Ordina	ary Meeting of
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		S	igned		
				Chairman	7
To Mr.					

BUSINESS TO BE DONE

Read and confirm Minutes of last Meeting