

AIR RAID AND EVACUATION

10/06/1938 'As no official word had been received on Air Raid Precautions the Chairman gave a brief outline of ARP scheme as explained by Captain R G Hogg and steps were taken to appoint ARP Warden and First Aid and Rescue Parties'

21/10/1938 'Clerk read letter from Ennerdale Rural district council regarding the ARP and it suggested that the CC School as the only suitable place for first aid centre. 1 Warden and 4 Officers to be appointed'

07/07/1939 'The rural District Council had under consideration a memorandum from the Ministry of Health setting out the line of action regarding Government Evacuation Scheme, and which would be necessary in the event of an emergency. So far as the evacuation and reception of the civil population is concerned the RDC asks if this Parish Council would co-operate with them in this work and submit names of three persons in the Parish willing to act as Billeting Officers. Proposed Mr Dixon, Mr Atkinson and Mr J Adams be appointed.'

02/10/1940 'Air Raid shelters were discussed and it was suggested that ones home was the safest place in the meantime.'

18/11/1941 'Mr Dixon's enquiry regarding the cost of the Black-out. proposed St Johns Parish council pay their share.'

16/04/1943 'Letter read from the Thornhill War Efforts Council calling a public meeting to consider the proposal of a Public Hall to be built after the War as a War Memorial'

22/10/1943 'Clerk read letter from Mr Dawson secretary to St Johns Memorial Hall Fund, it was proposed the letter lie on the table

10/07/1945 'The chairman read a letter from Mr Harrison ERDC regarding Termination of Hostilities in Europe, and that the RDC had decided to allocate the sum of £600 towards the cost of Victory Celebrations this sum to be appointed between the Parishes on the basis of population. We were to assume that the grant for our Parish would be approximately £22. Notices had been posted for a Public Meeting but not one person from the public attended. Proposed that no Victory Celebrations be held until the end of Hostilities.'

27/08/1945 'It was unanimously agreed that the celebrations for VJ(3) Day should be held on the same day as St Bridgets and that a public meeting be called later.'

04/12/1945 'VJ Celebrations, these were explained by the Chairman and it was decided that the committee appointed carry on with the work.'