

Vestry Book

(Vestry – The parish vestry was an assembly of parishioners who met for the dispatch of parochial business and took its name from the meeting place – the vestry. Until 1894 the Vestry was the main form of civil administration).

Parish of Tollerton County of Nottingham

To a memorandum of all resolutions carried and agreed to, at Vestry Meetings held in the Parish of Tollerton and all other parish affairs agreed to, at Vestry Meetings, in the aforesaid Parish of Tollerton.

And to be kept by the constables of the Parish of Tollerton, and to be taken to all Vestry Meetings held in the aforesaid Parish of Tollerton.

March 27 1854

Benjamin Howard, Hodgkinson Morris, Overseers of the poor.

*(**Constable** – A constable had to be a person of some substance or they could be dismissed. Part of the role was to apprehend criminals, take them to court and escort paupers who came to the village to their place of settlement, which might be another village where they were born).*

*(**Overseer of the poor** – An Overseer of the poor was an official who collected and administered poor relief such as money, food as part of the local Poor Law system. This position was created by the Act for the Relief of the Poor in 1557).*

At a Vestry Meeting held on 22nd day of March 1854 to appoint constables for the present year William Russell and Benjamin Howard is appointed Constables for the present year ending March 25 1855.

Signed: Benjamin Howard.

At a Vestry Meeting held on 27th day of March 1854 to appoint Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year Samuel Day Overseer and Benjamin Howard assistant Overseer of the poor the present year ending March 25th 1855 for the Parish of Tollerton.

Hodgkinson Morris surveyor for the ensuing year for the Parish of Tollerton
Benjamin Howard Overseer

And it is further agreed that William Porter Parish Clarke (sic) should be paid £2 12 shillings by the surveyor for the ensuing year ending March 25th 1855 for serving the office of Parish Clarke.

March 27th 54

Benjamin Howard, Hodgkinson Morris
Overseers of the poor

*(**Surveyor** – Often referred to as the surveyor of the highways, this parish officer was established by the Highways Act 1555. This person was unpaid and appointed by the parishioners. The officer was obliged to survey the highways and to organise the labour that was provided by landholders to repair the roads).*

At a Vestry Meeting held on 20 day of April 54 to appoint church wardens William Russell is appointed church warden for the parish and Samuel Day for the Rector for the ensuing year April 28th 1854

Signed: Benjamin Howard

Conditions of letting the land.

So that they shall be lett every year at the giving up of the surveyors accounts to the highest bidder.

And the money to be paid at the time of letting and whosoever takes them will not be allowed to stock them without a letter *lenter* with them.

		£	s	d
Gamston Lane	W Morris		12	0d
Cotgrave Lane	B Howard		16	0d
Edwalton Lane	as		<u>04</u>	<u>0d</u>
		£1	12s	0d

William Russell/Constable
Benjamin Howard/

At a Vestry Meeting held on 1st day of March 1855 to appoint constables for the present year
Hodgkinson Morris and Samuel Day

Constables appointed for the present year ending March 1856

Samuel Day

At a Vestry Meeting held on 23rd day of March to appoint Overseers of the poor for the parish
Tollerton for the ensuing year Carver Savage Overseer and Samuel Day assistant Overseer
ending March 25th 1856

John Wild surveyor of the highways of the Parish of Tollerton for the ensuing year

At a Vestry Meeting on the 12th day of April 55 to appoint church wardens Benjamin Howard
appointed church warden of the parish and Samuel Day for the Rector for the ensuing year.
Rev R C Ward Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 18th day of April 1855 to pay the surveyor accounts and to
let the lanes

	£	s	d
Gamston Lane		05	0d
Cotgrave Lane	£1	00	0d
Edwalton Lane		<u>02</u>	<u>0d</u>
	£1	07	0d

And it is agreed at the same meeting that Joseph Hull shall be Pinder for the Parish of
Tollerton.

And it is further agreed that the constable of the Parish of Tollerton shall be allowed to
collect a private rate for the payment of necessary expenses

Benjamin Howard Church Constable

Hodgkinson Morris Church Constable

**(Pinder – A person whose job it was to impound stray animals. Presumably this person
would have been responsible for the village pinfold).**

At a Vestry Meeting held 14th day of June 1855 and it is agreed that Mr Savage shall employ
lawyer Welby to proceed in the case of Sarah Richardson lunatic in the Case at Nottingham
to oppose her being thrown on the Parish of Tollerton

Mr Savage Overseer of the poor

Chairman Samuel White Day (see copies of newspaper report and end of book)

At a Vestry Meeting held on 22nd day of March to appoint Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year and it is agreed that Mr Hodgkinson Morris served the office of Overseer of the poor, Carver Savage assistant Overseer of the Parish of Tollerton and Carver Savage surveyor of the highways for the Parish of Tollerton. John Wild Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 11th day of April 56 to appoint church wardens, such it is agreed for John Wild to be church warden for the Parish of Tollerton for the ensuing year. And the lanes was let at the same time and the surveyor look over accounts.

Benjamin Howard/Chairman

Gamston Lane	Mr Howard	13s 0d
Cotgrave Lane	Mr Wild	19s 0d
Edwalton Lane	Mr Morris	<u>2s 0d</u>
		£1 14s 0d

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 25th day of March 57 to appoint Overseers. John Wild and Hodgkinson Morris appointed Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.

Benjamin Howard surveyor of the highways for the ensuing year for the Parish of Tollerton. John Wild Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on 14th day of April to look over the surveyor accounts
To let the lanes and to appoint a church warden for the ensuing year
Hodgkinson Morris appointed church warden for the parish for the ensuing year

Gamston Lane	H Morris	£1 0s 0d
Cotgrave Lane	John Wild	£1 3s 0d
Edwalton Lane	H. Morris	<u>4s 0d</u>
		£2 7s 0d

At a meeting held of the 4th day of march 1858 to appoint constables; and it is agreed for Samuel Day and Benjamin Howard to serve the office of constables for the ensuing year
Benjamin Howard constable

At a Vestry Meeting held on 19th march 1858 to appoint a Guardian
Carver Savage is appointed Guardian for the ensuing year.
B Howard Chairman

(Guardian – According to research the Guardian was appointed to care for the relief and welfare of the poor of the parish which appears to be the same as the Overseer – sometimes in this Vestry book both are appointed).

At a Vestry Meeting held on 23rd day of March 1858 to appoint Overseers.
William Russell and John Wild is appointed Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.
And Hodgkinson Morris surveyor of the highways.
John Wild Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting on the 9th April 1859 to look over the surveyors accounts are examined and allowed and the lanes let at the same time. Carver Savage is appointed to serve the office of church warden for the ensuing year.

Gamston Lane	B Howard	11s 0d
Cotgrave Lane	J Wild	11s 0d
Edwalton Lane	S Day	<u>2s 0d</u>

John Wild Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the day of July 1859 to appoint constables
John Wild and Benjamin Howard constables for the ensuing years.

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 24th day of March 1859 to appoint Overseers for the ensuing
year for the Parish of Tollerton
Benjamin Howard and William Russell Overseers of the poor.
Samuel Day surveyor of the highways
And Samuel Day nominated Guardian
H Morris Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 13th day of April 1859 to look over the road surveyors
accounts and to let the lanes at the same time.

Gamston Lane	11s	0d
Cotgrave Lane	11s	0d
Edwalton Lane	2s	0d
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£1	4s	0d

Signed Mr H Morris

At a vestry held this 13th day of March 1861 to appoint constables for the ensuing year for
the Parish of Tollerton Carver Savage and Thomas Duke

At a vestry held on the 24 day of March 1865 to appoint parish officer for the ensuing year
and Mr B Hudson appointed to serve the office of Overseer of the poor and Mr J Wild
assistant Overseer and Mr J Wild waywarden and Mr B Howard Guardian and Thomas
Knapp and B Howard constables.

Signed B Howard, Mr Russell, H Morris Chairman

(Waywarden – someone elected to take care of the highways in the parish, superseding the
term ‘surveyor of the highway’. The duties involved making a list of people and property
liable to pay rates, and also to maintain a list of people within the village who were qualified
to vote).

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 18th day of March 1867 to appoint parish officers for the
ensuing year. Mr Morris and Mr Wild Overseer. Mr Wild waywarden. Mr Russell , Mr Stafford
Guardian and Thomas Knapp and William Stafford constables.

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 17th day of March 1868 to appoint parish officers for the
ensuing year the following persons were appointed.

Mr Strong and Mr Morris Overseers
Mr Wild waywarden and Guardian
Thomas Knapp and Mr Stafford constables
Signed Mr Morris chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 26th day of February 1869 to appoint parish officers for the
ensuing year the following persons were appointed.

Mr Strong and Mr Morris Overseers
Mr Wild waywarden
Rev A A Welby Guardian
Mr Strong, Mr Stafford and Mr Knapp constables
Signed AA Welby Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 8th day of March 1870 to appoint parish officers the following persons were appointed

Mr Strong and Mr Morris Overseers

Mr Wild waywarden

Rev AA Welby Guardian

Mr Strong and Mr Knapp constables

Signed AA Welby Chairman

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At a Vestry Meeting held on 28th day of February 1871 to appoint parish officers the following were appointed

Mr Russell and Mr Morris Overseers

Mr Strong waywarden

Mr E Wild and Mr J D Strong constables

Rev AA Welby Guardian

Signed AA Welby

At a Vestry Meeting held on 26th day of February 1873 to appoint parish officers the following were appointed

Mr Morris and Mr Strong Overseers

Mr Wild waywarden

Thomas Duke, Parker and William Strong constables

Rev AA Welby Guardian

Signed AA Welby chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 21st day of March 1876 to appoint parish officers the following were appointed

Mr Strong and Mr T Duke Overseers

Mr Clarke waywarden

Mr T Duke constable

Mr Clarke and Mr Strong church wardens

Rev AA Welby Guardian of the poor

Signed AA Welby chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on June 1 1876 to let the lanes they were taken by Mr Clarke for the sum of £2

Signed by AA Welby chairman

At a vestry held on the 9th day of March 1877 to elect parish officers the following were appointed.

Mr Wild and Mr J Russell Overseers

Mr Strong waywarden

Mr J Duke constable

Mr Strong and Mr Clarke church wardens

Mr Clarke Guardian of poor

Signed AA Welby Rector chairman

At a vestry meeting held on the 25th day of February 1878 pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the doors of the parish church on Sunday 24th day of February 1878.

Alfred Broadhurst in the chair it was unanimously resolved that Thomas Duke was qualified and being a fit person to fill the office is hereby selected to serve the office of Constable for the ensuing year.

Present Alfred Broadhurst chairman. Jacob S Clarke, Thomas Duke, William Whittacker, Joseph Hall.

In a Vestry Meeting held on the ... day of March 1879 pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the doors of the parish Church on Sunday ... day of 1879.

Alfred Broadhurst in the chair it was unanimously resolved Thomas Edson is qualified and being a person fit to serve the office, is hereby elected to fill and serve the office of Constable for the ensuing year.

Alfred Broadhurst, Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 17th day of April 1879 pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the door of the parish church on Sunday 13th day of April 1879. ' for the election of parish officers'

The following were appointed

Mr Russell and Mr Story Overseers

Mr Clarke waywarden

Mr Clarke and Mr Story churchwardens

Mr Clarke Guardian of the poor

AA Welby Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on Thursday April 8 1880 for the appointment of parish officers the following were appointed

Mr Russell Mrs Wild Overseers

Mr Sanders, Mr Brunt Churchwardens

Rev AA Welby Guardian of the poor

AA Welby chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 28th day of February 1881 pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the door of the parish church on Sunday 27th Feb 1881 Alfred Broadhurst the Chairman.

It was unanimously resolved that Thomas Edson is qualified and being a person fit to serve the office is hereby elected to fill and serve the office of Constable for the ensuing year.

Present Mr Broadhurst, Mr Russell, Mr Brunt & Mr Edson

Alfred Broadhurst Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 23rd day of March 1882 pursuant to notice duly given.

Present Alfred Broadhurst in the chair, J H Sanders, Henry Wild, Thos C Edson and others.

Henry Wild was elected to fill the office of waywarden and requested to attend the meeting at Bingham and vote for the dissolution of the Board of Highways.

Alfred Broadhurst Chairman

22nd July 1883 At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the door of the parish church of Tollerton on the previous Sunday.

Present Alfred Broadhurst in the chair, John Russell and Thos Crafts Edson

Thos Crafts Edson was appointed Constable for the parish for the year ensuing.

Alfred Broadhurst Chairman

29th March 1883 At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to notice duly given and affixed on the doors of the parish church on Sunday 25th.

Present Alfred Broadhurst in the chair, Thomas Hickling, Thos C Edson, William Hickling and Thomas Chambers

The churchwardens accounts were produced and passed. It was resolved that John Russell is appointed Guardian and John Russell and Sarah Wild Overseers of the poor, that Sarah Wild be appointed waywarden and Thomas Crafts Edson Churchwarden for the parish for the ensuing year. Alfred Broadhurst Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 20th day of March 1884 pursuant to notice duly given on Sunday 16th day of the same month Present Alfred Broadhurst in the chair, Henry Wild, Thomas Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were produced and passed. Resolved that the following be elected parish officers for the pursuing year
Elizabeth Wild Overseer of the poor and waywarden
Thos Crafts Edson Constable
Henry Wild Churchwarden
Signed Alfred Broadhurst Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 19th day of March 1885 pursuant to notice duly given present The Venerable Archdeacon Hobbs in the chair. Alfred Broadhurst, Henry Wild, Thos Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were examined and passed. And the following were elected parish officers for the ensuing year. Elizabeth Wild Overseer of the poor and waywarden. Thos Crafts Edson Constable. Henry Wild Churchwarden.
Signed S Hobbs Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held this 8th day of April 1886 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant to notice duly given. Present Alfred Broadhurst in the Chair, Henry Wild and Thomas Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were examined and passed and the following were elected parish officers for the pursuing year. Elizabeth Wild Overseer of the poor, Henry Wild Churchwarden and Waywarden, Thomas Crafts Edson Constable, Alfred Broadhurst Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting this 7th day of April 1887 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant to notice duly given. Present Alfred Broadhurst chairman, Henry Wild and Thomas Crafts Edson. The following were elected officers for the parish for the pursuing year Elizabeth Wild Overseer of the poor, Henry Wild Church Warden and Waywarden, Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian and Thomas Crafts Edson Constable. Signed Alfred Broadhurst Chairman.

At a vestry held on the 2nd day of April 1888 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant to notice duly given. Present The Rev Abraham Adlard Welby Rectory in the chair. Alfred Broadhurst, Henry Wild and Thomas Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were examined and allowed and the following were elected parish officers for the pursuing year. The Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian, Henry Wild Overseer of the poor, waywarden and churchwarden, Thos Crafts Edson Constable.
Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held this third day of April 1889 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant to notice duly given. Present Alfred Broadhurst chairman, Henry Wild and Thomas Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were passed and allowed and the following were elected officers for the ensuing year. His Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian, Henry Wild Overseer of the poor, waywarden and churchwarden, and Thomas Crafts Edson Constable.
Signed Alfred Broadhurst Chairman.

In a Vestry Meeting held this second day of April 1890 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant to notice duly given. Present Alfred Broadhurst chairman, Henry Wild, William Mosley, and Thomas Crafts Edson. The churchwardens accounts were examined and

allowed and the following were elected officers for the ensuing year. The Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian, Henry Wild Overseer of the poor, waywarden and churchwarden and Thomas Crafts Edson Constable.
Signed Alfred Broadhurst Chairman

In a Vestry Meeting held this 30th day of March 1891 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant notice duly given. Present Rev AA Welby chairman, Alfred Broadhurst Esq and Mr Henry Wild. The churchwardens accounts were examined and allowed and the following were elected officers for the ensuing year. The Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian, Henry Wild Overseer of the poor, waywarden and churchwarden, William Bell Constable.
Signed AA Welby chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held this 23rd day of March 1892 in and for the Parish of Tollerton pursuant notice duly given. Present Rev AA Welby and Mr Henry Wild. The churchwardens accounts were examined and allowed. And the following were elected officers for the ensuing year. Rev AA Welby poorlaw Guardian, William Bell Constable, Henry Wild and Philip Burton Overseers of the poor, Henry Wild waywarden and churchwarden.
Signed AA Welby

At a Vestry Meeting held this 28th day of March 1893 to elect parish officers pursuant to notice given the following were elected. Henry Wild, Philip Burton, Thomas Thurman Overseers of the poor, Rev AA Welby Guardian of the poor, Henry Wild waywarden and churchwarden, Arthur Chambers Constable. Signed AA Welby Chairman

At a Vestry Meeting held pursuant to notice on March 26th 1894 to elect parish officers. The following were elected: Henry Wild, Thomas Thurman Overseers of the poor, Arthur Chambers Constable. According to notice given the churchwardens and waywardens elected at the Easter Vestry in 1893 retain office till Nov. 1894
Signed AA Welby Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held after notice duly given on this 6th day of April 1896 to pass the parish accounts, to select church wardens.
The churchwarden Mr Henry Wild have produced the parish accounts, these were examined and passed. The Rev AA Welby nominated Col Cantrell Hubbersty as his churchwarden. Col C Hubbersty proposed that Mr Henry Wild be appointed church warden for the parish seconded by Mr Edson and carried unanimously.
Signed AA Welby Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held pursuant to notice duly given on the 9th day of May 1898.

1. To pass the parish accounts
2. To elect church wardens

The churchwardens accounts were examined and passed and Col A C Cantrell Hubbersty and Mr J Chamberlain were appointed churchwardens for the following year.
Signed AA Welby Rector

At a Vestry Meeting held pursuant to notice duly given on Easter Monday April 3 1899. To elect church wardens for the ensuing year. To pass the parish accounts. Col A C Cantrell Hubbersty and Mr J Chamberlain were elected church wardens and the church wardens accounts were examined and passed.