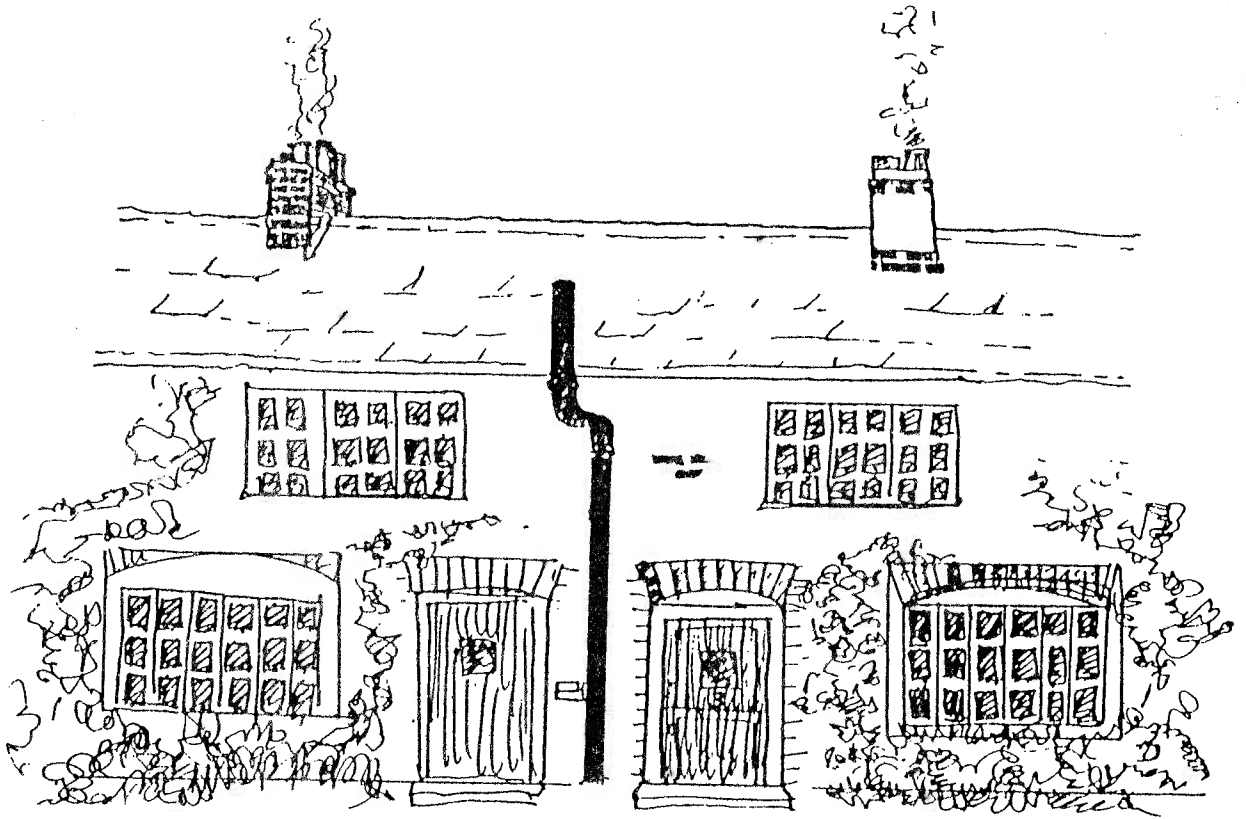
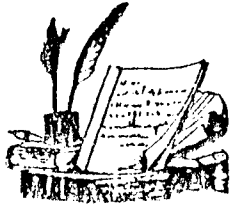


The Chronicle

Parish Magazine for Aston Abbotts



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Editorial

A few things to say this month:

1. The tyre slashing incidents in the village seem to have been far more widespread than had previously been thought and one individual has had to pay for eight new tyres in the past six months. The police have been informed and have increased their visits to the village. If any further incidents occur please report them to the police at Aylesbury.
2. My thanks to the 'Friends of the Chronicle' who keep this magazine afloat by digging into their pockets and by raising money through such ventures as the 'Chronicle Cabarets'. Last weeks proved another night to remember and there is an inadequate attempt to thank them all elsewhere in this issue.
3. Having said my thanks can I now announce my 'goodbye'. As from the July issue I am afraid I will be vacating the Editors desk and handing over to well I know not who at the moment. If you are interested in taking over the Chronicle, lock, stock and barrel, then please let me know. If no one comes forward the magazine will cease with the July issue.

Graham Parker

DEADLINE FOR APRIL ISSUE MARCH 18th PLEASE *****

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INFO

WHAT'S ON IN MARCH

- SUNDAY 5th : VILLAGE FOOTPATH WALK - MEET AT THE GREEN AT 2p.m.
- SUNDAY 19th: RAMBLING CLUB MEMBERS MEET AT BATTLEDEN (WOBURN) AT 2p.m.
- WEDNESDAY'S 1st & 15th : MOBILE LIBRARY
THE GREEN 2-2.30p.m.
LONGMOOR 2.35-2.50p.m.
- THURSDAY'S 2nd; 16th & 30th : WHIST DRIVE in the CHURCH ROOM 7.30p.m.
- THURSDAY'S 9th & 23rd : BINGO in the CHURCH ROOM at 7.30p.m.
- ALSO EVERY THURSDAY - MOBILE VET at the BULL & BUTCHER YARD 3.30p.m.
- FRIDAY 3rd : BBONT - BACK TO NATURE MURSLEY VILLAGE HALL 7.30p.m. EVERYONE WELCOME.
- FRIDAY 17th: ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 7p.m. Followed by a PARISH COUNCIL MEETING in the CHURCH ROOM

LADIES CLUB NOTES

The Ladies Club meeting held on the 9th February was very well attended to hear Mrs Miller from Stoke Mandeville tell the Club how she came to make a Tongan Princesses Wedding dress, and how the Queen of Tonga invited her to the wedding and to stay on for seven weeks afterwards as a personal guest of the Queen.

On the 23rd of February thirty members attended a meeting to see a slide show and talk given by Mr Lamb of the County Museum on Victorian Jewelry. His talk was very much appreciated.

On MARCH 9th there will be the "LADIES CLUB SPRING LUNCH"
Members £1.50 Guests £2.50
Children £1. Prices include a glass of wine.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

LITTER BLITZ : SATURDAY 29th APRIL

Please come along and help clean up the village as part of a County wide campaign on Saturday 29th April - Meet at The Green at 10.00a.m.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Substantial subsidies are available to help with village projects and the Parish Council would appreciate any ideas you might have Tree planting ? A village pond ? Renovation of the village pumps ?

SCHOOL BUS

Concern about the Wingrave School bus continues - if you have any complaints please report them to the Headteacher at the school, who will then be able to take up the complaints with the area office.

CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

THE PARISH COUNCIL INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR THE ABOVE POST. NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED AND FREE TRAINING IS AVAILABLE. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO RESIDE WITHIN THE PARISH. ANYONE INTERESTED SHOULD APPLY TO THW ACTING CLERK COLIN HIGGS AT 6 WINGRAVE ROAD, ASTON ABBOTTS or PHONE COLIN ON AYLESBURY 681343

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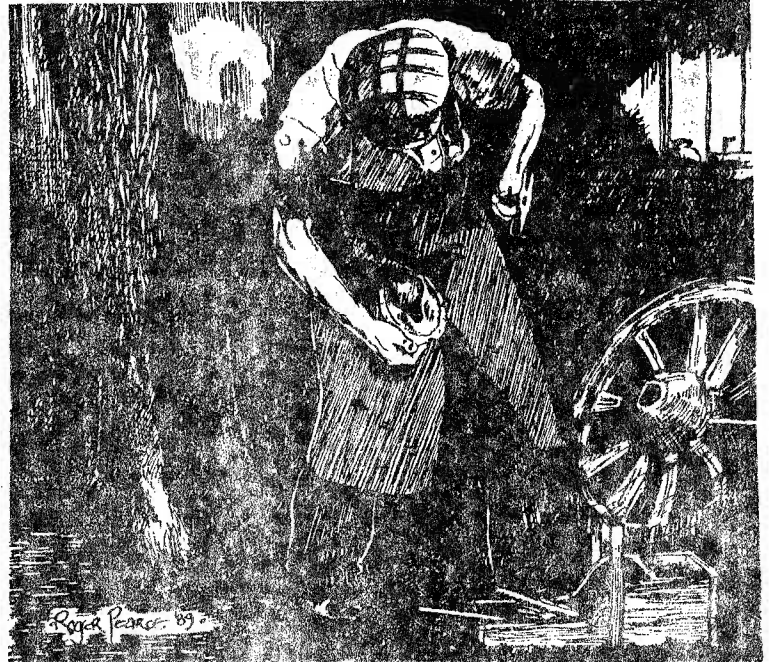
OUR MONTHLY COLUMN ABOUT VILLAGE PEOPLE
Edited by Bridget Brandon.

BIRTHDAYS

ANDY BYSTRA 8th MARCH
TRACEY FLETCHER 17th MARCH
GEORGE BRANDON 31st MARCH

CONGRATULATIONS

and good luck for the future to Ruth Watts, who marries Robert on March 4th at St James' Church.



The village blacksmith

A WOODCUT BY ROGER PEARCE.

RESTORATION OF THE GREEN UNDER TURF

A response from last months brief article from a parishioner:
"Regarding the article, 'Restoration of the Green Under Turf' in last months Chronicle. I personally find the idea very exciting, but I think it could be taken a lot further. For instance, I would suggest that traffic coming from Lines Hill could be diverted through the back gate of the Abbey, past the building itself and out through the main gates leading onto the Green. The bottom half of Moat Lane could then be handed over to the younger generation of the village for then to pursue sporting activities (marbles, hundred yard sprints etc) in complete safety. failing that, the road would be an ideal setting (what a view) for much needed starter homes. The idea to close some of the roads that criss-cross the Green is excellent. How about then holding a Sunday marker there?"

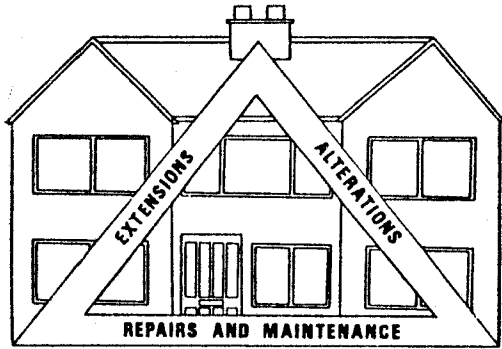
THE SUNDAY CLUB

The Sunday Club has now started.

Sunday Club is held at the Methodist Chapel at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings. We are also involved in a Family Service in the Church once a month.

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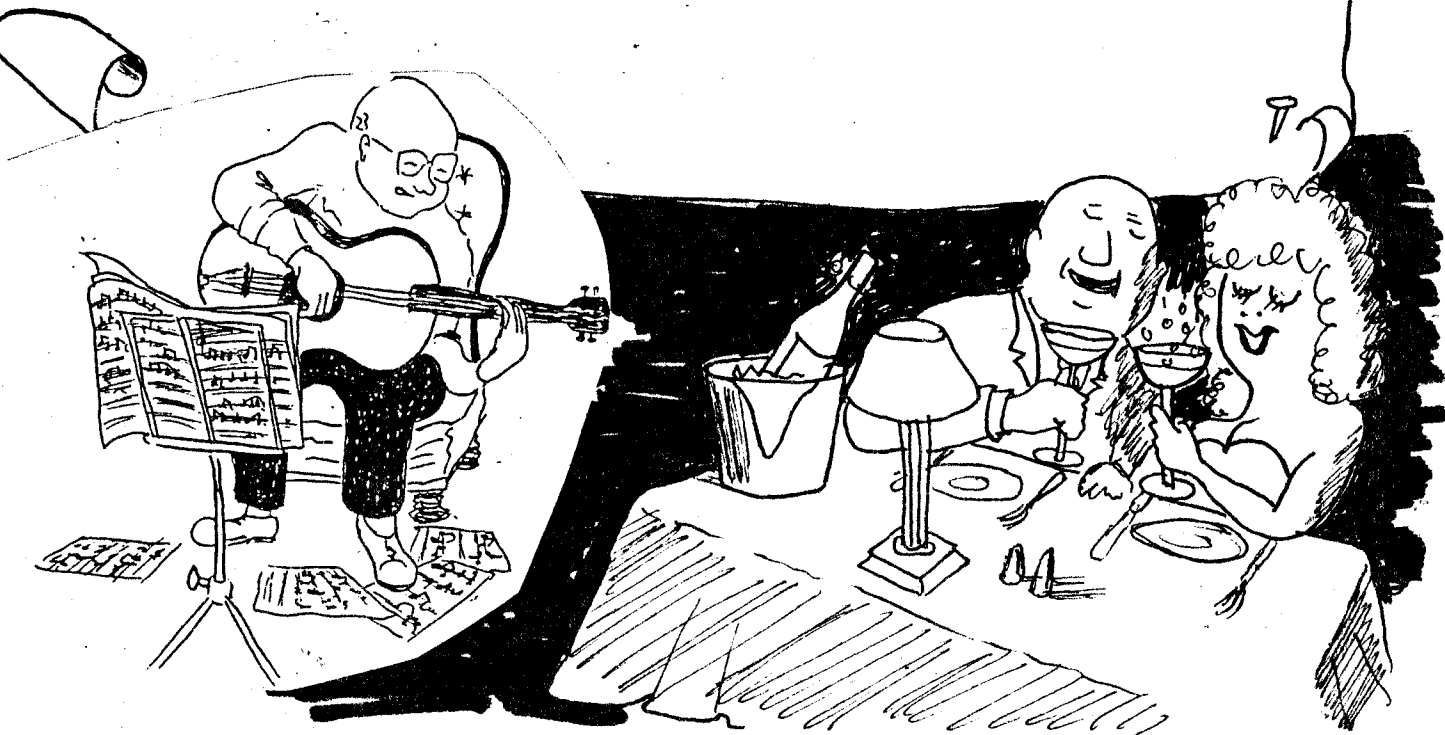
Sat 25th Feb starting at 8.00 p.m.

An evening that once again lived up to its prior billing - first class food and wine as well as a home grown cabaret that sent people drifting off at lights out to continue the evening at impromptu parties in several homes around the village.

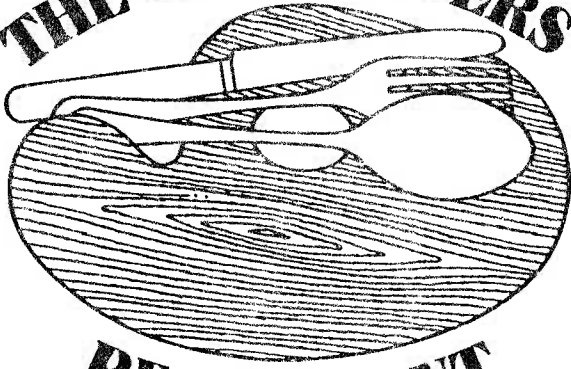
My thanks to all concerned - to Marshalle and Tricia for the food and booze; to Michael Cox for organising the raffle; to John Whyte for taking care of ticket sales (and our apologies to all those who we had to disappoint); to Chris Brandon for the stage, and to all those who took part in the cabaret to Andy Bystra, the thinking woman Jasper Carrott; to Bridget Brandon for her 'Memory' from Cats; to Chris and Les and their Two Ronnies style dialogue that brought the house down; to Vicka and Siesi for their 'Tonga Hello'; to Fred Megram for his monologues; to 'Warbler' Whyte and Tony Hewitt for reminding us how important a good voice is to an artiste. Thanks, as well, to Chris, Tony and Les for a finale that again proved the originality and talent we have living amongst us. Finally a special thank you to Neil Chesher who put the evening together in the first place and held it together throughout. Many, many thanks to you all a grat night out.

Graham Parker.

How much was raised? Well we don't know at the time of going to press, but it should be in excess of £200 which is four issues of the Chronicle.



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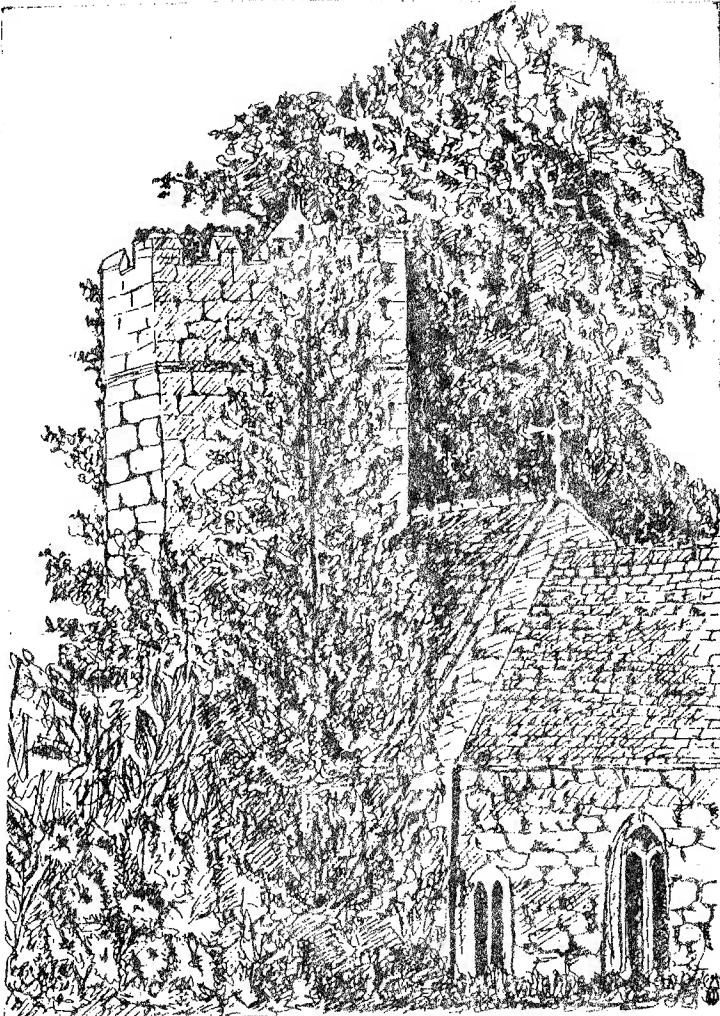
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CHURCH NEWS

This month we held the Annual Church Meeting and the audited accounts for 1988 were presented. They are printed overleaf and show that we spent over £600 more than our income. Fortunately our savings in previous years allowed us to meet this and still have a healthy balance. The major 'one-off' items were the purchase of a new mower and the repairs to the chancel roof. It was decided to go forward on repairing

the church wall and hopefully replacing the church gate during 1989. Obviously if any of you reading this who do not already regularly contribute wish to help then either Len or Peter, who were re-elected Churchwardens, would be delighted to make suitable arrangements!



[Sketch by Rosemary Franklin]

In the absence of a Rector we have decided not to hold our Family Service on Good Friday this year, but there will be a Family Service on Sunday 2nd April with at least one and may be two christenings, so please come along and welcome the new recruit(s). However, on Good Friday there are services conducted by Rev Peter Binns at Cublinton at 12 noon and at Wingrave at 2.00 p.m. On Easter Day there will be Holy Communion, I nearly said as usual but Easter Day is never usual, at 11.15a.m. Please come and join the celebrations.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MARCH

		<u>Sidesman</u>
5th.	MARCH : MOTHERING SUNDAY : FAMILY SERVICE 11.15a.m. Lent 4. 2 Corinthians 3(4-end) 518 Luke 9(28-36)	Sarah Lovell.
12th.	MARCH : HOLY COMMUNION 11.15 a.m. Lent 5. Colossians 2(8-15) 523 John 12(20-32)	Alison Ford.
19th.	MARCH : PALM SUNDAY : HOLY COMMUNION 11.15 a.m. Philippians 2(5-11) 527 Mark 14.32 - 15.41.	Colin Higgs.
24th.	MARCH : GOOD FRIDAY [SERVICES AT CUBLINGTON & WINGRAVE	see above]
26th.	MARCH : EASTER SUNDAY : HOLY COMMUNION 11.15 a.m. 1 Corinthians 15(12-20) 576 John 20(1-10)	Churchwardens.
2nd.	APRIL : FAMILY SERVICE 11.15 a.m. Easter 1. a Peter 1(3-9) 603 John 20(19-29)	Alison Hewitt.

METHODIST CHAPEL : 5th MARCH : At Parish Church see above. 12th MARCH : Mr D.Carter at 6p.m. 19th MARCH : With Weedon 3p.m. 26th MARCH : Rev Peter Lemmon (Holy Communion at 6 p.m.)

ASTON ABBOTTS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1988

	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Collections	1,675.78	
Free-will offerings	178.07	
Covenants - Inland Revenue refund	420.26	
Urban Fund	6.20	
Field Rent	50.00	
Allotment fees	18.00	
Burial fees	28.00	
Parish Council Grant (1987)	50.00	
Graveyard fees	70.00	
Fund raising activities - proceeds		
- cheese and wine	200.01	
- summer festival	234.60	
- Harvest festival sale/supper	219.64	
- coffee morning	84.00	
Consol dividends	0.40	
Vicar's collection	147.00	
Interest - CBF Deposit Account	40.75	
Sundries	1.56	
		3,424.27
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
Quota to Diocese	1,398.00	
Vicar's sundry expenses	318.37	
Vicar's telephone expenses		
contribution	108.93	
Electricity	142.59	
Insurance	280.96	
Vicar's gift	147.00	
Fire extinguisher service	29.32	
Deanery fund	5.40	
Cleaning	52.00	
Organ tuning	76.50	
Repairs and maintenance	780.07	
Wafers, candles, communion wine etc.	63.75	
Mower	343.85	
Envelopes	44.16	
Donations - various charities	320.00	
		4,110.90
<u>LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED</u>		<u>686.63</u>

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	£	£
This is represented by:-		
Bank balances 01.01.1988		
Lloyds Bank, Aylesbury	226.54	
Central Board of Finance Deposit	<u>613.40</u>	839.94
Bank balance 31.12.1988		
Lloyds Bank	88.84	
Central Board of Finance	<u>314.47</u>	<u>403.31</u>
	Reduction in balances	<u>436.63</u>

Central Board of Finance	No.	Orig.Cost	
Investment Units 01.01.1988	<u>281</u>	<u>£1,083.31</u>	
Interest during year	13	61.46	
	<u>294</u>	<u>£1,144.77</u>	
Sale of Units 31.07.88	54	250.00	250.00
Investment Units 31.12.88	<u>240</u>	<u>£894.77</u>	

(The above units, cost £894.77, are valued at £1,075.68 on 04.01.89)

TOTAL REDUCTION IN RESERVES £686.63

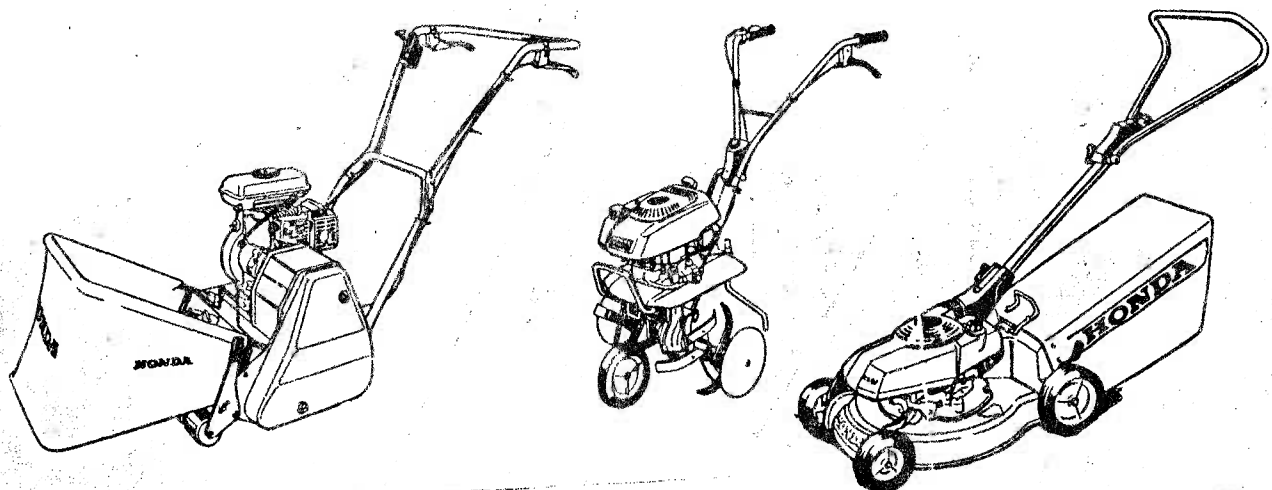
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The above receipts and payments account has been prepared from the books and records of the Aston Hillside Parochial Council, and is in order.

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