

HIGH LITTLETON PARISH COUNCIL & PARISH MEETING MINUTES 1927 –1962 & INDEXES

April 22nd 1927

At the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the above date at 7.0 p.m. the following were present: Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr A. CAREY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Chairman

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Capt. SCOBELL seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER be chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Capt. SCOBELL proposed, Mr A. CAREY seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be Vice chairman for the ensuing year.

School Manager

Mr A. CAREY proposed, Capt. SCOBELL seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be School Manager for the ensuing year.

Clerk

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Capt. SCOBELL seconded, that Mr W.H. MARTIN be clerk at a salary of £10 per annum & that he be *[left blank]*.

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded that Mr Jas. WYATT be co-opted in place of Mr W. DOBSON, resigned.

Allotment

Clerk agreed to look after allotments.

Paths, Long Ground

It was reported that Long Ground path was in a bad state.

Path at Hallatrow /&/ Drang

These paths were to be viewed by the Council.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, September 30th 1927.

September 30th 1927

Meeting of the Parish Council in the National School on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Vice Chairman, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr A. CAREY, Mr J. WYATT.

Mr James WYATT signed his declaration.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Mrs POLLETT

Letter of condolence sent to former chairman Mr H. POLLETT on death of his wife *[Mary Ann POLLETT died 23 July 1927, aged 72]*; answer received thanking Council for their expressions of sympathy.

Guarantee for Clerk

Discussion arose as to necessity of guarantee for clerk; it was agreed that letter from Guarantee Association be produced at next meeting.

Allotments, H.L.

It was agreed that the matter of tenancy of allotments at High Littleton be left to next meeting. Mr SCOBELL to communicate with clerk.

Paths

Complaint received that Surveyor had put pipe through allotment boundary, next road, in a place where there was no waterway before 1927. Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr SCOBELL seconded, that clerk ascertain the legality or otherwise of this proceeding.

Long Ground

It was agreed that Mr CAREY & clerk find the cost of sprawl (waste stone) for this path.

Rates £1.10. 0

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that cheque for £1.10.0 Rates be signed.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 29/11/27.

November 29th 1927

Meeting of the Parish Council in National School on above date at 7.0 p.m.

W.F. CARTER, G.B. CLEAVES, A.N. BEACHAM, A. CAREY, J. WYATT.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Allotments

It was agreed to let the matter of the tenancy of High Littleton allotments stand over till next meeting.

Long Ground

Mr CAREY reported that sprawl (waste stone) could be obtained at BOWDITCH's quarry at 3/- per ton *[&]* that STOCK & Son would haul same at 2/6 per ton. Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that one load, 7 tons, be purchased and placed at Mead gate and 3 loads, 21 tons, be placed at Long Ground gate.

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Mr CAREY proposed, Mr WYATT seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr G.B. CLEAVES & Mr A.N. BEACHAM form a sub committee to carry on work.

Fidelity Bond

Mr A. CAREY proposed, Mr J. WYATT seconded, that Clerk be guaranteed at the minimum premium of three shillings.

£6, £9.18. 1

Mr A.N. BEACHAM proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that cheque for £6 rent on Allotment, High Littleton be drawn in favour of GEORGE's Brewery and one for £9.18. 1 to pay for fence, Hallatrow allotment.

Burial Ground

Letter read from Church Council, asking Chairman to call parish meeting re burial ground. Mr CARTER proposed, A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that letter be written stating that, as matter was in hands of Church Council, the Parish Council had no standing.

Confirmed Feb 16th 1928 [*Signed*] G.B. CLEAVES, Chairman.

February 16th 1928

Meeting of the Parish Council in National School on above date at 7.30 p.m.

W.F. CARTER, G.B. CLEAVES, A. CAREY, A.N. BEACHAM, J. WYATT.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Allotment, High Littleton

Letter read from Capt. W.B. SCOBELL accepting Council as tenants at £12 per annum. Mr CAREY proposed, Mr A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that clerk draw up an Agreement between Capt. SCOBELL and Council.

Stephen's Hill

Letter read from Clutton Parish Council to the effect that High Littleton's share of repairs of bridge over brook is £3. 3. 0.

£3. 3. 0, £1. 9. 0

G.B. CLEAVES proposed, A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that cheque for £3. 3. 0 be drawn in favour of Clutton Council.

Mr CAREY proposed, Mr J. WYATT seconded, that cheque for £1. 9. 0 Rates on allotments be drawn in favour of the Rating Authority.

Long Ground

Mr CLEAVES reported that Committee found the path in such a condition that they were bound to order more sprawls to make a job of it.

Precept £33

Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that precept for £33 be drawn on Rating Authority.

Mr CARTER proposed, Mr A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that the following accounts be paid.

£4.10. 0

Mr CARTER proposed, Mr BEACHAM seconded, that cheque for £4.10. 0 be drawn in favour of A. BOWDITCH.

[*Signed*] G.B. CLEAVES, Chairman, [*8th March 1928*].

March 8th 1928

Meeting of the Parish Council in the National School on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

G.B. CLEAVES, Vice Chairman, A. CAREY, J. WYATT, A.N. BEACHAM, W.F. CARTER, W.B. SCOBELL.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Allotments, High Littleton

Draft agreement read; Capt. W.B. SCOBELL quite agreeable.

£6, £6, £4.17. 6, £5.12. 6, £17. 5. 3, £1.10. 6, £12.16. 0

Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, A.N. BEACHAM seconded, that following cheques be signed:

£6 in favour of Capt. SCOBELL - rent of allotment for half year ending March 25th.

£6 in favour of A. STYLES - rent of allotment, year ending March 25th.

£4.17. 6 in favour of [*E.*] FREE for sprawls for footpath.

£5.12. 6 in favour of A. STOCK - hauling sprawls for Footpath.

W.H. MARTIN overpayment 1927 (*sic*).

£17. 5. 3 in favour of E. DIX – labour on path to Paulton.

£12.16. 0 in favour of W.H. MARTIN - Salary, rent & establishment charges.

G.B. CLEAVES moved, Mr A.V. CAREY seconded, that the rent of High Littleton & Hallatrow allotments be 9d. per perch.

[*Signed*] William F. CARTER, Chairman, April 20th 1928.

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March 12th 1928

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 62 electors.

Notice of meeting having been read, the chairman Mr W.F. CARTER received nomination papers. As W.F. CARTER was nominated, it was carried that Mr Geo. BRICE take the chair.

The following were the persons nominated:

CAREY Albert Victor	(41)
CARTER Ernest	(33)
CARTER William Fred'k	(45)
CLEAVES Gilbert Brice	(40)
RHYMES Henry W.G.	(16)
SALMON Alfred Geo.	(25)
SCOBELL Walter Barton	(40)

No poll being demanded, the chairman declared the following to be duly elected: Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr Ernest CARTER and Mr Alfred Geo. SALMON.

Mr W.F. CARTER having resumed the chairmanship, the minutes of the last Annual meeting were read and confirmed.

Parish Council Accounts

These accounts were read. Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr SLADE seconded, that accounts as read be adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

Balance Sheet and list of recipients of this charity read. Mr S. PAYNE proposed, Mr A.G. SALMON seconded, that a/cs as read be adopted.

Guardian's Report

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that list of recipients of relief be not read.

Mr Geo. BRICE, in giving his report, expressed his pleasure that the number of recipients showed a small decrease and stated that, after 15 years as guardian and owing to bad health, he thought it was time to give place to a younger man. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that report, with appreciation of past services, be accepted. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SLADE seconded, that the best thanks of the Parish be accorded Mr Geo. BRICE for his valuable services during the last 15 years and hoped that he would soon enjoy better health. The proposition was carried unanimously. Mr T. ORCHARD begged to associate himself with the proposal, as Mr BRICE had ever been a fair and just councillor.

School Manager's report

Mr G.B. CLEAVES, in giving his report, said that he was sorry to say that report was anything but satisfactory; into the school had crept a feeling of dissatisfaction, and team work was impossible under this, and steps should be taken to put this right; he had no official knowledge but, from rumour, he heard that one of their teachers had been given notice that, unless she got another post by May 31st, she would be given a month's notice. The Vicar (Corresponding Manager) read documents from the Education Com. containing this statement and also threats against 2 other teachers. Some discussion ensued and, after the usual vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting terminated.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, [9th April 1929].

April 20th 1928

At the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the above date the following were present:

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr Ernest CARTER, Mr A.G. SALMON, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Declarations were duly signed and witnessed.

Moved and seconded that clerk *[W.H. MARTIN]* be provisional chairman.

Chairman

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL proposed, G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER be chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice chairman

Mr E. CARTER proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that Mr A.V. CAREY be Vice chairman during the ensuing year.

School Manager

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL proposed, Mr W.F. CARTER seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be school manager during the ensuing year.

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Clerk

Mr E. CARTER proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that Mr W.H. MARTIN be clerk during the ensuing year.

Secondary School

It was agreed that chairman arrange to meet Farrington Gurney, Ston Easton & Chilcompton representatives to settle who should be Manager of Norton Hill secondary school to represent the group.

15/9

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.V. CAREY seconded, that cheque for 15/9 be drawn in favour of J.S. DURY, Returning Officer.

Precept £33

Mr CAREY proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that a precept for £33 be drawn on the Rating Authority.

[Signed] Albert V. CAREY, Vic[e] Chairman, June 20th 1928.

June 20th 1928

Meeting of the Parish Council in the school on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr A.V. CAREY, Vice chairman, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr E. CARTER, Mr A.G. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Secondary School

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be sent to the Secretary of the Somerset Education, re Manager to represent the group Chilcompton, Farrington Gurney, Ston Easton & High Littleton, explaining steps already taken and pressing for a change.

Path over Gully

Mr Ernest CARTER proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that Farmborough Parish Council be advised as to condition of this path and asking that two of their councillors meet Mr W.F. CARTER and Capt. SCOBELL on the spot.

Berrymead path. Path Stephen's Hill

The attention of the Council having been called to the fact that a piece of barbed wire had been used to form part of the stile leading into Langford's Lane [and] that the path leading from the railway to the wood, Stephen's Hill, was in a very swampy condition, Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to Mr W.H. PITMAN, complaining of these defects and asking that they be remedied.

Hallatrow Down

Mr CAREY drew attention to the hedges overhanging path at Hallatrow, also the inconvenience of having to climb over a gate. Clerk was instructed to see owners.

£13. 3.10, £6.11. 3, £2. 8.10

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that following cheques be signed:

Mr E. DIX – labour on path, [£13. 3.10].

A.J. STOCK – hauling of material, £6.11. 3.

E. FREE – for sprawls, £2. 8.10.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 2/10/28.

October 2nd 1928

Meeting of the Parish Council in the school on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr A.V. CAREY, Vice chairman, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr E. CARTER, Mr A.G. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Path over Gully

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to Farmborough Council, asking what steps are being taken. Capt. SCOBELL reported that he and Mr SALMON had interviewed the representative of the Farmborough Council and agreed that, as High Littleton had repaired path on the last occasion, Farmborough would undertake the work this time but that, up to date, nothing had been done.

Berrymead path

Clerk reported that Mr W.H. PITMAN had promised to remove the barbed wire in the stile in Berrymead but that he, as tenant, could do nothing with regard to the swampy condition of path leading from the railway to Stephen's Hill.

Hallatrow Down

Mr CAREY reported that the overhanging hedges in path at Hallatrow had been trimmed. Clerk was instructed to interview owner as to the gate.

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£1. 9. 9, £1.16. 6

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that the following accounts be paid:

£1. 9. 9 rates on allotments.

£1.16. 6 repairs to gate and stile, High Littleton allotment.

Sunday night Collection

Clerk was instructed to ask Postmaster of Bristol if it would be possible, in view of the fact that the mail passes through the village, to make a Sunday evening collection.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, March 20th 1929.

March 20th 1929

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr Ernest CARTER, Mr A.G. SALMON, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Secondary School

Letter read from Education Secretary, to the effect that the representative for the four parishes Chilcompton, Farrington Gurney, High Littleton and Ston Easton was appointed in June 1928 and that he would hold office until 1931. Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that a letter be sent to the Education Secretary, asking for the basis of representation on the governing body of the Midsomer Norton Secondary School.

Sunday Post Collection

Letter was read from the Postmaster of Bristol stating that arrangements have been sanctioned for affording a Sunday evening collection of letters from High Littleton Post Office, the alteration commencing on 2nd December 1928.

[Path over Gully]

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that letter be written to Farmborough Parish Council, asking what had been done in this case and stating that, if they were unable to do the work, High Littleton Parish Council would.

Path - Railway to Stephen's Hill

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that letter complaining of the dangerous state of this path be sent to the owner A.W. [W.A.] PANES Esq.

Long Ground path

It was agreed that clerk see Mr C. BLANNING, as to going on his field with lorry to repair this path. Mr E. CARTER proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that slag for the purpose of finishing the repair of this path be obtained from Greyfield.

Allotments

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL seconded, that rent of allotments, both Hallatrow and High Littleton, be 9d. per perch, that No. 3 Hallatrow be let free for cleaning and that Nos. 5, 13, 15 & 30 High Littleton be the same.

£1. 4. 0, 12. 0. 0, 6. 0. 0, £11.13. 3

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that the following accounts be paid:

£1. 4. 0 rates on allotments.

£12 rent of High Littleton allotment to Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

£6 rent of Hallatrow allotment to Mr A. STYLES.

£11.13. 3 made up as follows: Salary £10, 5 meetings @ $\frac{2}{3}$ = $\frac{11}{3}$, Stamps £1. 2. 0 to W.H. MARTIN.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman.

April 9th 1929

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 10 parishioners.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

Parish Council Accounts

These accounts were read. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that accounts as read be adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

Balance Sheet and list of recipients of this charity read. Mr O. HILLMAN proposed, Mr F. BLINMAN seconded, that accounts as read be accepted.

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Guardian's Report

Mr BLANNING proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that list of recipients of relief be not read.

Mr W.F. CARTER, in giving his report, was pleased to say that the list was shorter than last year but that, what would happen next year he did not know, as guardians go out of office in April 1930. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr C. BLANNING seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr W.F. CARTER for the manner in which he carried out his duties as Guardian.

School Manager's Report

Mr G.B. CLEAVES in his report stated that the school was being carried on on normal lines, that no report had been received by school Managers as to children, but plenty of reports as to the building requirements; these were being met as far as possible out of the small amounts in manager's hands. The examination for Free places in Secondary Schools has just been held and he was hoping that High Littleton would be a credit to the neighbourhood. Mr HILLMAN proposed, Mr F. BLINMAN seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr G.B. CLEAVES. [Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, April 9th 1930.

April 16th 1929

At the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the above date the following were present:

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Moved and seconded that clerk be provisional chairman.

Chairman

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.V. CAREY seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER be chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that Mr A.V. CAREY be Vice chairman.

School Manager

Mr A.V. CAREY proposed, Mr W.F. CARTER seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be School Manager for the ensuing year.

Clerk

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr W.F. CARTER seconded, that Mr W.H. MARTIN be clerk at the same salary.

Midsomer Norton Secondary School

Letter read from the Secretary of the Education Committee, to the effect that 18 members constitute the Governing body of the Secondary School at Midsomer Norton, viz: County Education Committee 9, Midsomer Norton U.D.C. 2, Camerton P.C. 1, Radstock U.D.C. 1, Paulton P.C. 1, Timsbury P.C. 1, Wellow, Writhlington and Foxcote 1, High Littleton, Farrington, Ston Easton and Chilcompton 1, Kilmersdon, Babington, Holcombe and Stratton 1, = 18.

Precept £20

Mr A.V. CAREY proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that precept for £20 be drawn on the Rating Authority of Clutton Union.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, September 4th 1929.

September 4th 1929

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.G. SALMON.

Minute[s] of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Path - Railway to Stephen's Hill

Mr SALMON moved, Mr CAREY seconded, that letter be written to W.A. PANES Esq., owner of the land in which this path is situated, asking for permission to put in a pipe, to carry water from the spring into the brook and also to fill in the hole with cinders, and that Mr CLEAVES purchase pipe and see that work be done at once.

Path over Gully

Mr CAREY moved, Mr SALMON seconded, that path over Gully, repaired by Farmborough Parish Council, be viewed by Chairman & Mr CLEAVES before share of cost to this Council be paid.

Fire

Letter read from Bath Fire Brigade re attendance at fires in this parish. It was agreed that Chairman interview Clerk to District Council, as to what was being done by District Council in this matter.

Refuse Ashes

Discussion as to disposal of ashes etc. arose and it was unanimously agreed that Chairman interview Clerk to District Council, as to probable cost to parish.

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£1. 7. 6, £1.15. 6

Mr SALMON moved, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that the following accounts be paid:

[£1. 7. 6] - Mr C. MAGGS, hauling cinders etc. for Long Ground Path.

£1.15. 6 - Mr T. TAVINER for wheeling & spreading cinders on Long Ground path.

Warning Notices

Mr CAREY moved, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to the Clerk to the District Council, asking that Warning Notices be placed near the junction of Paulton Rd., Main Rd. to Bristol (Cross Roads, Hallatrow) and at the corner near bridge over brook, Paulton to Bath road.

Letter boxes

Mr A. SALMON moved, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to the Postmaster of Bristol, asking that letter boxes be placed at the following places: Bungay's Hill, Mearns, Rotcombe, Batch, New Road & White Cross, Hallatrow.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, March 11th 1930.

March 11th 1930

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, G.B. CLEAVES, A.V. CAREY, A. SALMON, E. CARTER.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Fire

Chairman reported that nothing was being done in this matter by Rural District Council.

Ashes

Chairman reported that he had interviewed Clerk to District Council on this matter and found that the cost would be prohibitive.

[Path from Railway to Stephen's Hill]

Letter was read from A.W. PANES, owner, giving Council leave to put in pipe & also fill up the hole; on examination by Paths Committee, it was decided that cost of getting material to site would be too much and that the purchase of two baulks of timber, to bridge the hole, would be sufficient; this has been done to the satisfaction of Committee.

Path over Gully

This path, after slight alteration, is now to the satisfaction of Council.

Letter boxes

Letter read from the Postmaster Surveyor of Bristol, to the effect that application for additional letter boxes by the Council has been fully considered and that the circumstances do not justify compliance with the request, as in each instance there appears to be a letter box within a distance of half mile. Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to the Postmaster of Bristol, stating that Bungay's Hill, Mearns and White Cross would be over the ½ mile limit.

£1.11.11, £2. 6. 0, 9. 0, £11. 3. 3, £6, £12

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconds, that following a/cs be paid:

£1.11.11 Farmborough P.C., £2. 6. 0 PURNELL, 9/- MAGGS, £11. 3. 3 W.H. MARTIN, £6 STYLES, £12 W.B. SCOBELL.

[Allotments]

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that allotments at High Littleton and Hallatrow be 9d. per perch [&] that Nos. 5, 12, 13, 28 & 30 be let free for cleaning.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 25/3/30.

March 25th 1930

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on above date at 7 p.m.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, G.B. CLEAVES, A.V. CAREY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Stiles

Letter read from Clerk to Paulton P.C. as to price of stiles and suggesting that enquiry should be made of BACKWELL & JENKINS as to present price.

Path - Long Ground

Several trees having been blown down and path torn up, Clerk interviewed owner and received permission from owner to fill up holes.

Boundary /of/ Parish

In answer to letter from R.D.C. that suggestions should be made as to change of Parish boundary, it was proposed by Mr CARTER, seconded by G.B. CLEAVES, that letter be written to R.D.C., suggesting that

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boundary line on N. side be Greyfield Rd., Gugg Lane to Jolly Collier, then road to Crossways, along Timsbury Rd. till boundary is met at Hayeswood, thus taking in New Road, Greyfield & Scumbrum.

3/-

Mr CAREY proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that account of Mr MAGGS, for hauling timber from Clutton, be paid.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 22/4/30.

April 9th 1930

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 30 parishioners.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

Parish Council a/cs

These accounts were read. Mr O. HILLMAN proposed, Mr T. HARRIS seconded, that accounts as read be adopted. The balance sheets of Allotments were read. Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr O. HILLMAN seconded, that account as read be accepted.

Mary JONES' Charity

Balance Sheet and list of recipients of this Charity were read. Mr BELSHER [*BELCHER*] proposed, Mr O. HILLMAN seconded, that accounts as read be passed.

Guardian's Report

Mr BELSHER proposed, Mr O. HILLMAN seconded, that list of recipients of relief be not read.

Mr W.F. CARTER reminded meeting that this would be the last Guardian's report; in future there would be a Guardians Relief Committee under the County Council, meeting fortnightly at Keynsham, Frome & Clutton in turn, but that he was unable to say if this would be a better plan. The list this year was about the same as last year.

School Manager's Report

Mr G.B. CLEAVES in his report said that school work was being carried on as usual; there was no change in staff or managers; under the new scheme the children up to 11 years would be taught at High Littleton and those over 11 years would go to neighbouring schools, probably Timsbury. He was grieved to have to report that not a single free seat was obtained at the Secondary School. He was continually being spoken to by parents as to treatment of their children at school but advised parents, who had grievances, to send a written statement to the Corresponding Manager and promised them a sympathetic hearing from the Managers. Mr O. HILLMAN proposed, Mr E. MINALL seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr G.B. CLEAVES for the manner in which he had carried out his duties as School Manager.

Boundaries

The Chairman, Mr W. CARTER, explained the suggested alteration of the boundary, as sent by Parish Council to the Rural District Council. Rev. T.H. FITZPATRICK proposed, Mr G.B. CLEAVES seconded, that suggestions sent to R.D.C. be approved.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 9.3.31.

April 22nd 1930

At the Annual Parish [*Council*] meeting held on the above date at 7.30 p.m. the following were present:

W.F. CARTER, G.B. CLEAVES, A.V. CAREY, A.G. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Chairman

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.G. SALMON seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER be chairman.

Vice Chairman

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that Mr A.V. CAREY be Vice chairman.

School Manager

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be school manager.

Clerk

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that Mr W.H. MARTIN be clerk at same salary.

Mary JONES' Charity

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that the four Trustees of Mary JONES' Charity, Mr H. POLLETT, Mr C. BLANNING, Mr W. BRICE and Mr W.F. CARTER, be re-appointed.

Urban District

Letter was read from the Paulton Parish Council, asking if High Littleton was prepared to join Paulton and Farrington Gurney in forming an urban district. Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A. SALMON seconded, that letter be written to Paulton Council asking for list of advantages to be obtained by the Parish.

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Path - Railway to Stephen's Hill

Mr G.B. CLEAVES reported that one of the baulks of timber, used as a bridge in this path, had in some manner got into the brook. Mr CAREY proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that the two baulks be placed side by side and bolted together; Mr CLEAVES to see the work completed.

Postal Delivery

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.G. SALMON seconded, that letter be written to Postmaster, asking for a delivery in the afternoon and that the collection of letters in the evening be later.

Obstructed View

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that the attention of the surveyor be called to the palisading around the garden of one of the new houses on the Batch, as this obstructs the view at a very difficult corner.

£2. 9. 8, 2.17. 6

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that the following accounts be paid:

A. THICKETT - levelling path - £2. 9. 8.

A. FILER - laying hedge in allotment - [£2.17. 6].

£20 precept

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that a precept for £20 be levied on the Rating Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, July 31st 1930.

July 31st 1930

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present

W.F. CARTER, A.V. CAREY, G.B. CLEAVES, E. CARTER.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Obstructed View

Letter read from the Surveyor, stating that he would give attention to this matter.

Postal Delivery

Letter read from Surveyor Postal of Bristol, to the effect that the request of the Parish Council had been granted. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that letter be sent to Postmaster of Bristol, thanking him for what he had done but asking that outlying parts of Parish, Mearns & Rotcombe, should be favoured in the same way as the rest of the parish.

Council houses, Hallatrow.

An application for 6 Council houses was received from parishioners of Hallatrow. Mr CAREY proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that application be made to R.D.C. for 6 parlour type Council houses, to be built if possible in Paulton Lane.

10/-

Mr E. CARTER proposed, Mr A. CAREY seconded, that account of 10/- from L. CLEAVES, for bolting baulks of timber and resetting same, be paid.

Long Ground path

After some discussion, Mr CAREY proposed, Mr E. CARTER seconded, that paths committee view the path in question and report.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 29/1/31.

January 31st [?Thurs. 29 Jan intended] 1931

Meeting of the Parish Council in the Schoolroom on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

W.F. CARTER, A.V. CAREY, G.B. CLEAVES, E. CARTER.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Postal Delivery

Letter read from Postmaster, Bristol, to the effect that the request of the Council for a second delivery of letters to Rotcombe and Mearns, cannot, owing to the number of letters (*sic*) available (two a day), be complied with.

Tree across path

Clerk reported that tree across path in the Mead had been removed by the agent W.H. PALMER & Son, Bridgwater.

Council Houses, Hallatrow

Some discussion took place as to application to R.D.C. for 6 parlour type Council houses at Hallatrow. Mr W.F. CARTER informed Council that the application was not entertained, as all Council houses now built are of the non-parlour type.

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Allotments

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that gate at entrance to High Littleton allotments be repaired and that hedge of Hallatrow allotment be cut and laid.

£1.10. 6

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that account of Allan CARTER, for hauling loads of scarified metal to allotments, be paid.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 9/3/31.

March 9th 1931

Meeting of the Parish Council in Schoolroom on above date at 6.15 p.m.

Present

W.F. CARTER, G.B. CLEAVES, A.G. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Letter from Church Council

Letter read from Church Council, asking this council to support a resolution asking for reduced charges for Electric Light and Electric power. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that matter be brought up at Parish meeting.

Allotments

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that 8d. per perch be charged for both High Littleton & Hallatrow allotments and that No. 30 High Littleton be declared void.

16/3, £1.11. 6, £12, £6, £11.15. 2

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that following a/cs be paid:

6/3 to S.J. WITHY - hedge laying Hallatrow.

£1.11. 6 to Mr A. CARTER - hauling [*underlined and A. EVANS - gate written above*].

£12 W.B. SCOBELL - rent, High Littleton.

£6 to A. STYLES - rent, Hallatrow.

£11.15. 2 to W.H. MARTIN - Salary £10, Printer 6/11, Stationery 5/-, 5 times @ 2/3 = 11/3, Stamps 12/-.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 20/4/31.

March 9th 1931

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 34 electors.

Notice of meeting having been read, the chairman Mr W.F. CARTER received nomination papers.

As Mr W.F. CARTER was nominated, it was carried that Mr F. BELCHER take the chair.

The following were the persons nominated:

CAREY Albert Victor	24	(3)
CARTER Frederick William	31	(1)
CLEAVES Gilbert Brice	22	(4)
HELLIKER Charles	11	
HOLVEY James	25	(2)
SALMON Alfred George	20	(5)
SCOBELL Walter Barton	14	(6)
TOZER James	13	

No poll being demanded, the chairman declared the following duly elected: Mr A.V. CAREY, W.F. CARTER, G.B. CLEAVES, J. HOLVEY, A.G. SALMON & W.B. SCOBELL.

Mr W.F. CARTER having resumed the chairmanship, the minutes of the last Annual meeting were read and confirmed.

Parish Council Accounts

These accounts were read. Mr TOZER proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that accounts as read be adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

It was agreed that list of recipients be not read. Balance Sheet read. G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.G. SALMON seconded, that accounts as read be adopted.

School Manager's Report

Mr G.B. CLEAVES in his report says that school is carried on on ordinary lines, there have not been so many complaints from parents and he was still very sorry there were no free places gained. Some discussion arose as to the way school was conducted. Mr SALMON proposed and J. JAMES moved, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be thanked for the manner in which he carried out his duties as School manager.

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Return fare to Bristol, Bus

Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, G. FORD seconded, that letter be written to Bristol Tramways Co., asking for a reduction of the return fare High Littleton & Bristol, to correspond with that granted to Paulton & Timsbury.

Council Houses

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that application for 8 non-parlour type, in addition to the 8 now before the R.D.C., be made and that a list of suitable sites be forwarded.

Meeting closed with vote of thanks to Chairman *[apparently recorded out of order]*.

Somerset Electric Co.

Vicar proposed, Mr W.F. CARTER seconded, that, in the opinion of this meeting, the time has arrived when the electric charges should be reduced, they being excessive and discouraging more general consumption.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 31/3/32.

April 20th 1931

At the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the above date the following were present:

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr James HOLVEY.

Declarations were duly signed and witnessed.

Chairman

Proposed by Mr A.G. SALMON, seconded by Mr G.B. CLEAVES, that Mr W.F. CARTER be chairman.

Vice chairman

Proposed by Mr A.G. SALMON, seconded by Mr J. HOLVEY, that Mr A.V. CAREY be vice chairman.

School Manager

Proposed by A.G. SALMON, seconded by Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, that G.B. CLEAVES be school manager.

Clerk

Proposed by Mr G.B. CLEAVES, seconded by Mr A.G. SALMON, that Mr W.H. MARTIN be clerk.

Mary JONES' Charity

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that Mr A.V. CAREY be a Trustee of Mary JONES' Charity. Trustees are now Vicar, Rev. T.H. FITZPATRICE (*sic*), Mr C. BLANNING, Mr W. BRICE, Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY.

Tramway Co.

Letter read from Tramway Co., re return fares from High Littleton & Bristol, to have attention.

Electric Light Co.

Letter read from Electric Light Co., in answer to one from Parish Meeting re Charges for Light & power, stating that company hoped to be able to announce publicly that charges would be reduced.

Charge for use of school

Letter received from the Correspondent of the National School to the effect that, after the 14th April 1931, the charge for the use of a room in the school by the Council would be 4/6 per meeting.

Midsomer Norton

Circular H.323(b) re Midsomer Norton County School representative from High Littleton, Farrington Gurney, Ston Easton and Chilcompton.

Letter read from Farrington Gurney re representative on Committee *[of]* Midsomer Norton Secondary School and asking this Council to agree(d) that Mr Gilb't ASHMAN act as joint representative. Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that letter be written to Farrington Gurney, Ston Easton and Chilcompton, putting forward Mr W.B. SCOBELL, as High Littleton nominee and drawing attention to the fact that Farrington Gurney had found the representative for at least the two last terms of 3 yrs.

Private Telephone box

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that a letter be written to the Postmaster Survey~~or~~ of Bristol, asking that a private Telephone box be placed somewhere near the centre of the village.

Precept £20

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that a precept for £20 be drawn on the Rating authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, May 20th 1931.

May 20th 1931

Meeting of the Parish Council in the school on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr J. HOLVEY.

(Meeting of) previous meeting's minutes read & confirmed.

Housing

Mr W.F. CARTER reported that several sites were inspected by the architect, who favoured that of Mr STOCK.

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Letter read re state of houses in the parish; after some discussion Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that application be sent to R.D.C. for 8 more non-parlour type cottages for High Littleton.

Private Telephone Box

Letter of acknowledgment received from postal authority re private telephone box at High Littleton.

Midsomer Norton Secondary School

Letter read from Education Secretary, stating that he had received letter from Farrington Gurney re appointment of Mr Gilbert ASHMAN, containing sanction from Chilcompton and Ston Easton. Mr W.F. CARTER reported that he had made a suggestion that representatives be chosen by the parishes concerned in turn. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER take what steps he thinks best to better the situation.

V. Stiles for paths

Mr CAREY proposed that letter be written to Holcombe, asking for prices of V. Stiles for paths.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, June 1st 1931.

June 1st 1931

Meeting of the Parish Council in the School on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, A.V. CAREY, G.B. CLEAVES, A.G. SALMON, J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Telephone Box

Letter of acknowledgment from Postmaster surveyor of Bristol, in answer to application for private telephone box in centre of village. Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that a further letter re Telephone be written.

Council Houses

Notification received from the clerk of the R.D.C. that Mr A.J. STOCK(S) of Hallatrow refused to sell any of his small holding for the purpose of building council houses. Discussion arose as to sites for council houses. Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that High Littleton site be fixed in Langford['s] Lane.

Household refuse

Mr CAREY proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that Parish meeting, to consider the removal of household refuse, be held in the School on Monday June 22nd at 7.0 p.m.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 30/3/32.

June 22nd 1931

Parish meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, held on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 16 parishioners.

After discussion as to the dumping of tins and bottles in all sorts of places in the parish, it was thought that a collection of unburnable refuse would be sufficient once a month. Mr HELLIKER proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that the R.D.C. be requested to sanction a scheme of house to house collection of unburnable refuse once a month.

[Signed] W. F. CARTER, Chairman, 31/3/32.

September 16th 1931

Parish meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, held on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 14 parishioners.

Notice convening meeting duly read.

The Chairman explained that meeting had been called, owing to request from last parish meeting and that a sewage scheme at present would cost the parish probably £4,000; after a long discussion on the subject, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL proposed, Mr W. BRICE seconded, that R.D.C. be asked to sanction Sanitary Inspector making a preliminary inspection of the sewerage of the parish and reporting.

[Signed] W. F. CARTER, Chairman, 31/3/32.

March 30th 1932

Meeting of the Parish Council in the school on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, A. CAREY, A. SALMON, G.B. CLEAVES, J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Telephone Box

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to Postal authorities, stating that this council hoped that the question of a Public Telephone would soon be settled favourably.

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Allotments

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that High Littleton & Hallatrow allotments be let at 8d, per perch and that No. 30 High Littleton be returned as void.

Mr HOLVEY drew attention to the fact that Mr RANDALL, by placing refuse at the bottom of his allotment, was making it possible for cattle to enter the allotment and moved that letter be sent to Mr RANDALL, asking him to remove the refuse. Mr CAREY seconded.

£12, £6, £13. 2. 0

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that following cheques be signed:

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL £12 - rent of allotment.

Mr A. STYLES £6 - rent of allotment.

Mr W.H. MARTIN - Salary £10, PURNELL - 13/6, HELLIKER 5/-, School 7 times @ 4/6 = £1.11. 6, Stamps 12/- = £13. 2. 0.

Scav'ing. Housing

Letter was read from Minister of Health re Scavenging and from the Clutton Rural District Council on Housing.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 21/4/32.

March 31st 1932

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER and 10 electors.

Notice convening meeting was duly read.

Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

Mr CARTER made reference to the absence of the Clerk (W.H. MARTIN) and moved, Mr J. EVANS seconded, that a letter be written wishing him a speedy recovery.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Arising out of the minutes, The Chairman spoke on the question of scavenging and read letter on the matter; he also spoke on the question of sewerage, pointing out that all grants for this purpose had been withdrawn.

Parish a/cs

Parish Council a/cs were read. Mr CAREY moved, Mr B. CARTER seconded, that accounts as read be accepted.

Allotments

Mr EVANS moved, Rev. FITZPATRICK seconded, that a/cs as read be accepted.

Mary JONES' [Charity]

A/cs read and adopted on the motion of F. BELCHER, sec. by J. EVANS.

School Report

Mr CLEAVES, giving his report as School Manager, said he was able to give a satisfactory report of the working of the School. Mr SALMON moved that the report be accepted with thanks; this was seconded by Mr BELSHER and carried.

Housing

Mr W.F. CARTER reported that steps had been taken to obtain land for houses but, owing to the economy steps, no grants so far had been sanctioned for the houses wanted by the Council; he also read a letter from the Clerk to R.D.C., re housing and asked for the guidance of the meeting on the question of building the smaller type house. Discussion arose. Mr SALMON moved that the R.D.C. be asked to proceed with the building of the smaller type houses; this was seconded by the Vicar. On being put to the meeting, the voting was even.

Motor Traffic

Mr CLEAVES moved that the County Works Committee be written to, asking that steps be taken to allay the danger from motor traffic; this was seconded by Mr SALMON.

Means Test

Mr SALMON spoke on this matter and moved that a letter be written to the member for the Division, calling for the repeal of the Means Test; this was seconded by Mr J. EVANS.

Electric Light

Mr BELSHER moved that the Chairman be asked to bring the matter of overcharge on the slot users before the R.D.C.

Berrymead

Mr SALMON moved that letter be written to Mr FILER, requesting him to remove the obstruction on the path across Berrymead leading to the lane.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 29/3/33.

April 21st 1932

At the Annual Parish [Council] meeting held on the above date at 7.30 p.m. the following were present:

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Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER was unanimously elected chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Mr A.V. CAREY was unanimously elected vice-chairman for the ensuing year.

School Manager

Mr G.B. CLEAVES was unanimously elected School Manager for the year.

Clerk

W.H. MARTIN was re-elected clerk.

Path

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that the path leading to Paulton be repaired.

Stile near Council houses

Mr CARTER proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that a letter be written to Mr RHYMES asking him to put the stile, at the top of the field by Council [*houses*], in a fit condition to get over and that letter be written to Mr FILER, drawing his attention to the fact that there is a path through Berrymead but that the stile is stopped with thorns and the path overflowing with water.

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, 12/12/32.

Dec. 12th 1932

Meeting of the Parish Council in the School on the above date at 6.0 p.m.

Mr W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Paths - High Littleton & Hallatrow

No communication having been received from Mr RHYMES re path near Council houses, it was agreed that Clerk see him and explain.

Mr HOLVEY drew attention to barb[*ed*] wire being put on a stile at Hallatrow; it was agreed that clerk inspect and complain if necessary.

Social Service

Proposed by Mr W. CARTER, seconded by A.G. SALMON, that Parish Council [*meeting*] be called on Thursday at 7.0 p.m. and that representatives of the different religious bodies, shops etc. be asked to meet Council for the purpose of constitu[*t*]ing a Social Service Committee.

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 3/3/33.

Dec. 15th 1932

Meeting of the Parish Council held in the School on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr W.B. SCOBELL, G.B. CLEAVES, A.G. SALMON.

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr A.G. SALMON, seconded by Mr G.B. CLEAVES, that an appeal be made to the villagers for funds to give the unemployed, and other necessitous cases in the village, some little help during the Xmas.

Mr SALMON kindly promised to do the writing and Mr JAMES to do the distributing and collecting of envelopes.

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday Dec 21st at 7 p.m. [*Apparently didn't take place*].

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 3/3/33.

March 3rd 1933

Meeting of the Parish Council held in the School on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.V. CAREY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

It was reported that £12. 5/-, collected for giving the Unemployed and necessitous cases a little help during the Xmas, was duly distributed.

Paths - Mead

Complaint received re stile at entrance to the Mead.

Mearns

Some discussion as to path leading from Mearns to Amesbury. It was agreed that path be inspected and reported on at next meeting.

Telephone Box

Discussion on this matter. It was agreed that the subject be brought up at next meeting.

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£20

Mr CLEAVES moved, Mr CAREY seconded, that precept for £20 be drawn on the Rating Authority.

£1.12. 0, 6. 0. 0, 12. 0. 0, 12. 2. 0

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that the following cheques be signed:

£1.12. 0 in favour of LOVELL, STOCK & MAGGS.

£6 in favour of A. STYLES (allotment).

£12 in favour of Capt. W.B. SCOBELL - Allotment Rent.

£12. 2. 0 in favour of W.H. MARTIN, made up as follows: Salary £10, Printer 2/6, Stationery 5/-, 5 times @ 4/6 = £1. 2. 6, stamps 12/-.

Allotments

It was agreed that rent of the allotments be 8d. per perch [and] that No. 5, 6, 29 & 30 be declared void.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 26/4/33.

March 29th 1933

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER and 11 electors.

Notice convening the meeting duly read.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Arising out of the minutes, the chairman spoke on the question of sewerage, remarking that there was no change and, unless the government restored the grant for such purposes, he could see no hope of a sewerage scheme for the village.

Speaking of the smaller type of house, he mentioned that the Council were negotiating for a building situation.

Parish a/cs

Clerk read the Parish Council a/cs. Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that a/cs as read be accepted.

Mary JONES' [Charity]

Mary JONES' Charity a/cs and recipients read. Mr RENDAL proposed that a/cs be accepted. Mr BELSHER seconded.

School Manager's report

Mr CLEAVES gave his report, mentioning that the school had been examined by the Inspector and that the report was excellent. After a little discussion, Mr CLEAVES was thanked for his report, which was accepted.

Public Hall

This question was referred to the Parish Council.

Stamp machine

This matter, on the motion of Mr SALMON, seconded by Mr BELSHER, was also referred to the Parish Council.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, March 5th 1934.

April 26th 1933

At the Annual Parish Council [meeting] held on the above date at 7.0 p.m. the following were present:

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of last meeting read & confirmed.

Chairman

Mr A.G. SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that Mr W.F. CARTER be Chairman for the ensuing year. This was put to the meeting by the Clerk and carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that Mr A.V. CAREY be Vice-chairman.

School Manager

Unanimously agreed that Mr G.B. CLEAVES be School Manager for ensuing year.

Clerk

Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, Mr J. HOLVEY seconded, that W.H. MARTIN be clerk.

Public Telephone

Clerk was instructed to write to Postal Authority, asking how far the matter of public Telephone Kiosk had progressed and whether it would be possible to have a stamp machine affixed to outside of the Post Office.

Path to Paulton

Clerk was instructed to write to Mr H. RHYMES, asking him to put stile leading to the Mead in a little better condition for people to get over.

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Mearns path

Mr CLEAVES reported that this path had been somewhat washed out by the flood and that some small stuff was required, the work to be held up until after the crop was removed.

Dangerous Corner, Hallatrow

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that letter be written to the County asking if something could be done to lessen the danger of motor accidents at the bottom of Hallatrow Hill.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 24/5/33.

May 24th 1933

Meeting of the Parish Council held on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A.V. CAREY, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Letter - Telephone

Letter read from Telephone Manager, Bristol, to the effect that, owing to High Littleton and Farmborough being on one circuit, the expense would be so great that the Council's request cannot be acceded to. Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr A.G. SALMON seconded, that letter be written to the Telephone Manager, stating that, in the opinion of this council, the improvement in receipts would be considerable, if a kiosk was erected in the centre of the village.

Dangerous Corner, Hallatrow

Letter read from Clerk to County Council to the effect that this matter would be brought before the appropriate Committee of the County Council in due course.

Path to Paulton

Clerk reported that he had received no answer from Mr RHYMES and agreed to see him on the matter.

Mearns Path

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that Mr G.B. CLEAVES see to the matter and see that union rate of wages be paid.

Parish Hall

Some discussion arose as to the advisability of providing a Parish Hall for the use of the parishioners. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, "That the Church Council be asked to meet the Parish Council at the earliest possible date, to discuss the possibility of using the Church House for Parish Purposes."

Registration Officer, Frome Division

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr J. HOLVEY seconded, that a letter be sent to Lieut. Col. Gilbert S. POOLE, Deputy Registrar, asking if, for Parliamentary Purposes, voters from Scumbrum, New Road, Sperring's Barton and Pump Cottages could vote at High Littleton instead of at Farmborough.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, August 1st 1933.

August 1st 1933

Meeting of the Parish Council held in the School on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr A.V. CAREY, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Mr A.G. SALMON, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Letter re Telephone

Letter read from Mr A.G. BRISTOWE, District Manager Telephones, Bristol, to the effect that the increase from extra users would not be sufficient to warrant the very heavy expenditure, which would be involved in providing an independent circuit & kiosk. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that letter lie on the table.

Letter re registration

Letter received from Deputy Registration Officer, Frome Division, stating that, as the Parliamentary Polling Places List had just been revised and printed, it was too late to put forward council's suggested alterations.

Dangerous Corner at Hallatrow

Letter received from Clerk to County Council, enclosing extract from the report of the Committee, who considered the parish council's application: "The High Littleton parish council ask for an improvement to be carried out at the bottom of Hallatrow hill, in order to lessen the danger of motor accidents, by providing a better line of sight. The improvement would consist of the lowering of the boundary wall adjoining the county road B3355, for a length of about 20 yds. on each side of the fork and erecting open fencing."

Mearns Path

Mr CLEAVES reported that work of repairing the path had been carried out, at the rate of 11½/d. per hour.

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Path to Paulton

Complaint was received from Mr BLANNING as to path. The council visited the spot and agreed to remove all protruding stones. Mr CARTER proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, the following letter be sent to Mr BLANNING, the owner of the field: The council are prepared to meet your wishes, on the understanding that the council's obligation to repair the path finishes.

Resident Magistrate

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CAREY seconded, that the name of the chairman, William Fred'k CARTER, be submitted to the Lord Lieutenant of the County (Lord BATH), in order to be made a magistrate.

£4.13. 2

Mr CAREY proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that cheque for £4.13. 2 be drawn in favour of J. CARTER (Mearns path).

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 18/1/34.

Jan'y 18th 1934

Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Schoolroom on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, A.G. SALMON, G.B. CLEAVES, J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

Magistrate

Letter read from Lord BATH to the effect that he would bring the name of Mr W.F. CARTER before the advisory committee, when it next meets.

Long Ground path

Letter read from Mr C. BLANNING, stating that he had inspected the work done by the Council to this path, which he thinks satisfactory and trusts that it will save further expense.

Paths

Pamphlet re Open spaces and Footpaths read. Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that [blank].

Footpaths Preservation

Discussion on above. It was agreed that clerk purchase necessary maps.

Midsomer Norton Secondary School

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that Clerk write to councils of Farrington Gurney, Ston Easton and Chilcompton, asking that they support the nominee of this parish as the joint representative of the four parishes.

£5. 6. 0

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that cheque [for] £5. 6. 0 for wages of MOODY & L. CLEAVES be drawn in favour of the Clerk.

Sidewalks

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that letter be written to County Council, asking if it would be possible to extend the sidewalks in the village.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 14/2/34.

Feb'y 14th 1934

Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Schoolroom on the above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, G.B. CLEAVES, A.G. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Sidewalks

Letters read from Clerk to County Council and County Surveyor, asking for definite suggestions as regards sidewalks. Mr G.B. CLEAVES proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that letter be written to the County Surveyor, stating that sidewalks from the Wesleyan Chapel to the Schools, a distance of 300 yds. were greatly needed.

8/3

Mr W.F. CARTER proposed, Mr SALMON seconded, that cheque for 8/3 be drawn in favour of E. STANFORD for map of parish (ord(i)nance).

£12

Mr SALMON proposed, Mr CLEAVES seconded, that precept for £12 be drawn on Rating Authority.

Paths

Discussion on the paths of the parish. It was agreed that the clerk endeavour to trace paths and enter on Ord(i)nance Sheets.

[Signed] A.V. CAREY, Chairman, 1/3/34.

March 1st 1934

Meeting of the Parish Council in Schoolroom on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr A.V. CAREY, Vice chairman, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Secondary School

Letters read from Chilcompton and Farrington Gurney, re council's nominee for seat on Board of Governors, Midsomer Norton. Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconds, that letter be written to Chilcompton, thanking them for promise to support Council's nominee and enclosing name and address of same, and to Farrington Gurney, pointing out that their letter was no answer to the letter sent.

Paths

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL explained that he and the clerk had examined the Ord(i)nance Survey maps of 1904 and 1931 and found that no path had been omitted.

Scavenger

Complaint received that the collector of tins etc. does not call at Mearns or Langford's; it was agreed that his attention be called to matter.

Allotments

Mr CLEAVES proposed that allotment holders pay 7d. per perch and that Nos. 6, 29 & 30 be declared void. Mr HOLVEY seconded.

£12, £6, £14.16. 7

Mr CLEAVES proposed, Mr HOLVEY seconded, that the following cheques be drawn: £12 in favour of Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, £6 in favour of Mr A. STYLES, £14.16. 7 in favour of W.H. MARTIN.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, April 17th 1934.

March 5th 1934

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly Convened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, was held on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman and 28 Electors.

Chairman

Mr A. SALMON was elected chairman, for the business of electing Council, on the motion of Mr F. BELCHER, seconded by Mr H. SLADE.

Election of Councillors

There being only six nominations for the six seats on Council, the Following were declared duly elected:

A. CAREY
W.F. CARTER
G.B. CLEAVES
G. DANDO
J. HOLVEY
Capt. W.B. SCOBELL

Minutes

Mr CARTER having resumed the Chair, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising from Mins.

Arising out of the Minutes, Mr CARTER explained that 16 houses were nearing completion; These were of the smaller Type but were the only ones the Ministry would allow, although the District Council had tried to get the larger type.

A/cs

The Parish Council accounts were read by the Clerk and, on the motion of Mr BELCHER, seconded by G. CLEAVES, were accepted as read.

Allotment a/c

The Allotment a/cs were read by the Clerk and adopted.

Mary JONES' [Charity] a/c

Was read and adop[t]ed. Some discussion arose over the allotment of this Charity and it was agreed to ask The Trustees to make a grant from same to Mr G. CARTER.

Schools report

Mr CLEAVES gave the report on the Schools for the year. This was accepted and the Manager thanked for same.

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Sewage

Some discussion arose over the question of Sewage and it was agreed to ask the District Council if some action could not be taken, to improve the position at Rotcombe, where a bad state of affairs existed, owing to a broken pipe and the sewage lying in the ditch quite near to the houses.

Lighting

The question of lighting the Village was discussed at some length but no proposition was made.

Sewage

It was agreed that a special meeting of the Parish should be called, to consider the question of a general Sewage scheme.

Fire Hydrants

The Parish Council were instructed to get the probable cost of installing Fire Hydrants at different points in the Village.

Signed Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 21/3/35.

April 17th 1934

Meeting of Parish Council in Schoolroom on above date at 7.0 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A. CAREY, Mr G. CLEAVES, Mr J. HOLVEY, Mr G. DANDO.

Declarations

These were signed by those present.

Mr W. CARTER, as past chairman, refer[r]ed to the death of the Clerk, Mr W.H. MARTIN [*on 8th April 1934, aged 69*], and spoke of his long and honourable service with the Council [*Clerk since 27th July 1896*]. It was unanimously agreed that Mr CARTER's action in writing Miss [*Evelyn*] MARTIN, extending the Council's sympathy, be approved.

Election of Officers etc.

Mr CAREY moved and Mr HOLVEY secon[d]ed that Mr CARTER be Chairman. Carried.

Vice Chairman - Mr CARTER moved and Mr DANDO seconded that Mr CAREY be Vice Chairman.

School Manager

Mr CARTER moved and Mr CAREY secon[d]ed that Mr A. SALMON be Sc[h]ool Manager.

Clerk

Mr CLEAVES, having resigned from the Council, was, on the motion of Mr CARTER, seconded by Mr DANDO, elected as Clerk to the Council. The salary to be as in previous year.

Co-opted Member

Mr A. SALMON, as the retiring member from previous Council, having stated his willingness to serve, was Co-opted a member of the Council on the motion of Mr CARTER, seconded by Mr CAREY.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the County Council, stating that the question of side walk in the Village could not be entertained at present on account of the cost.

County School Representative

The Clerk was instructed to write the Farrington Gurney Council, informing them that their letter re County Sc[h]ool Manager for the Midsomer Norton School had been read, But that this Council was unable to agree to the terms of same.

Registers

Mr CARTER moved and Mr DANDO seconded that letter be written to Mr BARWICK, asking to forward to the proper quarter the name of the Clerk, as a fit person for the making up of the Registers etc.

[Signed] William F. CARTER (Chairman), May 29th 1934.

May 29th 1934

Meeting of Parish Council on above date at 7 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, Mr G.P. DANDO, Mr A. CAREY, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, Mr A. SALMON.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the County Education Sec., re the appointment of School Manager for the Midsomer Norton Secondary Schools. Mr BURKENSCHAW [*Frank BURKINSHAW*] offered, if the Council so wished, to Write the Ston Easton Council on this matter and, on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr CAREY, this was unanimously agreed to.

Hydrants

Mr DANDO moved and Mr SCOBELL seconded, that Clerk should write County Council, asking if they could give the approximate cost of fixing seven additional Hydrants in the Parish, and suggested the following

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Positions - 1 near White Cross Garage, 1 near Mrs J. CLARE's, 1 near R'y Bridge in Hallatrow Hill, 1 near High Littleton Church, 1 near Wesleyan Chapel, 1 near High Littleton Inn, 1 at Kingwell near the Bungalow.

Sewage

The question of Sewage was discussed and it was agreed to leave same to a further meeting.

Allotments

Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that Notice be posted in the High Littleton allotment, warning any person doing damage there, that the Council would prosecute. Carried.

Conveying School Children to Timsbury

Mr SALMON moved and Mr CAREY seconded, that letter be sent to County Education Sec., asking if steps were being taken to make provision for conveying the School Children to and from the Timsbury Schools and to what extent such conveyances would be provided.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER (Chairman), July 18th 1934.

July 18th 1934

Meeting of Council on above date in Schoolroom at 7 p.m.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Mr A. CAREY, Mr G.P. DANDO, Mr J. HOLVEY.

Minutes

Minutes (*sic*) of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letter from Mr BURKENSCHAW was read, stating that the question of conveying the Children to and from the Timsbury schools was receiving attention.

Management Mid. Norton C. School

In connection with this matter, Mr DANDO moved and Mr CAREY seconded, that letter be written Mr BURKENSCHAW, stating that, as a Council, we felt it was time the other Parishes than Farrington Gurney should provide the representative on the governing body of the School.

Cam Bridge

Letters from the Paulton Parish Council, re the state of this bridge, were read and, on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr CAREY, it was agreed to meet the Paulton Council at the Bridge, to consider what repairs were necessary.

Footpaths

Letter from the Timsbury Council, re the footpath through Sleight Farm fields, was read and the Clerk was requested to interview Mr NORRIS over same.

Hallatrow Down Path

Mr HOLVEY stated that nothing so far had been done toward removing obstruction in this path, and it was agreed that Mr HOLVEY should see Mr STOCK on the matter.

Hydrants - £110.17s. 6d.

Mr CARTER submitted provisional estimate of cost for 7 hydrants, situated at different points in the Parish and, on the motion of Mr CAREY, it was agreed that the matter should be refer/r/ed to a Parish meeting.

[Signed] William F. CARTER, Chairman, 18/10/34.

Oct. 18th 1934

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present: Mr W. CARTER, Chairman, Mr A. CAREY, Mr G.P. DANDO, Mr A. SALMON.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising from Minutes

The Clerk reported that he had seen Mr ROBBINS re path on his farm leading to the Timsbury Sleight but so far had not got any satisfactory reply; after some discussion Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that Clerk write Mr ROBBINS again on this matter.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from Mr BUR/K/INSHAW, re the election of manager for the Midsomer Norton County Schools, in which he pointed out that Farrington Gurney had now withdrawn the nomination of Mr ASHMAN but that so far Ston Easton had not concurred. It was agreed that Clerk write Ston Easton Council on the matter.

Parish meeting

Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that a Parish Meeting, to discuss the questions of sewage and Fire Hydrants, should be called for Nov. 8th [No record of it happening].

Paths

Mr CARTER moved and Mr CAREY seconded, that Clerk be instructed to get nettles and brambles, on Path leading to Paulton, cut back.

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Cam Bridge

Mr CARTER reported that Sub Com. and full Council had met the Paulton Council on this matter, and had agreed to accept the Tender of Mr W. EVANS for £18 to carry out the necessary repairs.

Cam Bridge Fence

The question of repairing Fence, at the High Littleton side of the bridge, was discussed and an estimate by Mr W. EVANS submitted for carrying out this work; on the motion of Mr SALMON, seconded by Mr CAREY, it was agreed that Mr CARTER, Mr DANDO and Clerk be Sub Com. to deal with the matter.

A/cts.

Accounts were submitted from Mr W. EVANS for the sum of £18, and From Mr E. RIVERS for the sum [of] £2. 8. 0, For repairs to Cam Bridge and Girders supplied for same; these were agreed to and the Clerk instructed to forward same to Paulton Council.

Precept

Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO sec., that precept for £25 be drawn on the Local Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 24/1/35.

Jan. 24th 1935

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr Wm. CARTER, Chairman, G.P. DANDO, A. CAREY, J. HOLVEY.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and Confirmed.

Correspondence Mid. N. Schools

Letter was read from Mr BURKENSCHAW, stating that Capt. W.B. SCOBELL had now been appointed as a Manager for the Midsomer Norton County Schools.

Paths

Arising out of the minutes, the Clerk reported that he had seen Mr ROBBINS, re the Path leading to the Timsbury Sleight, but had not had any satisfactory answer from him. Mr DANDO moved and Mr HOLVEY seconded that Mr ROBBINS be wrote to again on the matter and, if no satisfactory reply was received, the matter be laid before the District Council.

Accounts

Cheques for £7.16/- and £2. 8. 0 was [were] drawn in favour of Mr W. EVANS and Mr E. RIVERS respectively, the two together being the half share of cost of repairing the Bridge over the Cam River.

Allot(t)ments

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr DANDO, sec. by Mr HOLVEY, that all rents for allot(t)ments must be paid on or before Feb. 23rd this year and in other years on or before the last Saturday in February.

It was agreed that Plot No. [blank] be declared Void for this year. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr ADAMS, terminating his tenancy of plot he has been allowed for clearing but which he had failed to do.

[Signed] W. F. CARTER, Chairman, 3/4/35.

March 21st 1935

The Annual Parish meeting, duly convened, was held on the above date, Mr W.F. CARTER presiding.

Present

13 Electors.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adop(t)ed.

Matters arising out of Minutes

The Chairman stated the position regarding the fixing of Hydrants in the Parish and, after some discussion, it was agreed that the matter be left in the hands of the Parish Council, on the motion of Mr SALMON, secon(d)ed by Mr BOLWELL.

A/cts.

The Accounts were read by the Clerk and accepted as read.

School Manager's Report

Mr SALMON gave the report on the schools and spoke highly of the Head Master and other members of the staff. His report was accepted and the thanks of the meeting tendered Mr SALMON for same.

Continuation Classes

It was reported that the Education Com. had notified the managers that these classes would be discontinued. The Vicar, having pointed out the good work being done, it was agreed that a letter be sent from the meeting, asking the Education Com. to reconsider their decision and to continue classes until(l) the end of the session.

Mary JONES' Charity a/c

These were read and adop(t)ed, on the motion of Mr SALMON, seconded by Mr BOLWELL.

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Motor Speed

Mr SALMON spoke of the danger to pedestrians through the Village, due to the fact that there was no side walk for a great part of the length of the main street, and moved that letter be written to the Authorities, asking that the Parish be deemed a built up Area, in accordance with recent legislation. This was seconded by Mr HILLMAN & carried Unanimously.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 25/3/36.

Apl. 3rd 1935

Parish Council Meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, A. CAREY, G.P. DANDO, J. HOLVEY, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. SALMON.

Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER was unanimously elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Mr A. CAREY was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman.

School Manager

Mr A. SALMON was unanimously elected as School Manager.

Clerk

Mr G.B. CLEAVES was elected as Clerk on the motion of Mr CARTER, seconded by Mr SALMON. The salary to be as in the past year.

Speed Limit

Letter was read from Mr KING, the County Secretary, re this matter and, arising out of this, the Clerk was instructed to write Mr KING a further letter, asking that Hallatrow should also be included in the area.

Accounts

These were presented by the Clerk. Mr SALMON moved and Mr SCOBELL seconded their adoption; carried unanimously.

Cheques

Cheques for the following amounts were signed:

Capt. SCOBELL - rent of Allot(t)ment £12. 0. 0

A. STYLES - Rent for allot(t)ment at Hallatrow £6. 0. 0

Clerk - Salary & expenses etc. £12.13. 7

Fire Hydrants

Clerk was instructed to write County Secretary re this matter.

Allot(t)ments

Mr HOLVEY raised the question of the Fence at the Hallatrow Allotment. Mr CAREY, Mr HOLVEY and the Clerk were appointed as a Sub Com. and empowered to deal with the necessary repairs.

Sign Post

Mr SALMON called attention to the broken condition of the directing post for Paulton and Timsbury and the Clerk was instructed to call the attention of Mr ORCHARD to same.

Road to Amesbury

Mr CARTER reported that he had been requested to bring this matter before the Council. The Clerk was instructed to write the Timsbury Council, asking if they were prepared to co-operate in the matter.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER (Chairman), 30/10/35.

Oct. 29th 1935

Parish Council [meeting] held on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER in Chair, A. CAREY, G.P. DANDO, J. HOLVEY and A. SALMON.

The Clerk reported that Capt. W.B. SCOBELL was unable to attend.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letters from the Timsbury Council, re the Ridings Path and the Amesbury Rd., were read and ordered to lie on Table.

Side Walk

Mr CARTER reported that a side walk from the Wesleyan Chapel to the Church School was No. 10 on the County list under the new scheme.

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Council Houses

A List of names was read by Mr CARTER, of persons desirous of Council houses and, on the motion of Mr HOLVEY, seconded by Mr SALMON, it was agreed to ask R.D.C. to erect eighteen further houses, twelve to be at High Littleton, six at Hallatrow.

Schools

Mr SALMON made a report on matters relating to a reduction in Staff at the Schools and, on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr CAREY, it was agreed write the Education Com., asking them to reconsider the matter.

Bus fares

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Tramway Co., asking them to consider reductions in the return fare to and from Bristol.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 12/2/36.

Feb. 12th 1936

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding. Others present: Mr A. CAREY, Mr G.P. DANDO.

Min.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Arising from Mins.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co., asking what decision, if any, had been arrived at in connection with the matter contained in their letter of Nov. 2nd.

Housing

The Chairman reported that the question of new Council Houses was still under consideration.

Paths

On the motion of Mr CAREY, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed that Mr CAREY, Mr DANDO & the Clerk form a Sub Com., to deal with the path leading from Mearns to Amesbury.

Allotments

Mr CARTER moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that No. 6 High Littleton allotment be declared Void.

It was agreed to post Notices that all rents must be paid on or before the 29th February.

The Clerk was instructed to have repairs to allotment gate carried out.

Precept

It was agreed to draw precept for the sum of £15 on Local Rating Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 18/3/36.

March 18th 1936

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding; others present Mr DANDO, Mr CAREY and Mr SALMON.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and Confirmed.

Matters arising

Arising out of the minutes, Mr CARTER reported that the Authority had accepted our application for 18 houses, 12 to be at the High Littleton end of the Parish and 6 at the Hallatrow end.

A/cts

The Clerk presented the Annual Accounts, which were accepted and Cheques drawn in settlement of same.

Paths

The Clerk reported that the work on the path at Mearns had been satisfactorily completed.

Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish meeting date was fixed for Wednesday Mar 25th.

Mr ELMS' Account

An account for work done during 1935 was handed in during the meeting. On the motion of Mr SALMON, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed to let it stand over until the next meeting.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 15/4/36.

March 25th 1936

The Annual Parish meeting, duly convened, was held in the Schoolroom on the above date, Mr W.F. CARTER presiding.

Present

There were present 18 other electors.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

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Matters arising from Minutes

Arising out of the minutes, Mr CARTER, in reply to questions, stated that the question of a speed limit, for Motor Vehicles through the Village' was being brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

Side Walk

Mr CARTER reported that the question of providing a side walk from the Wesleyan Chapel to the Schools had been approved and would be carried out in due course.

A/cts.

The accounts for the year were presented and, on the motion of Mr BELSHER, seconded by Mr DANDO, were accepted as read.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk gave the annual report and this was unanimously approved.

Housing

Mr CARTER reported that the application for a further 12 houses for High Littleton and 6 for Hallatrow had been approved.

School Manager's Report

Mr SALMON gave the School Manager's report. He spoke of the good spirit existing between the teachers and of the effective way in which their work was being done. The report was considered satisfactory and, on the motion of Mr HILLMAN, Seconded by Mr EVANS, it was unanimously approved and Mr SALMON thanked for his services.

Sewerage

Mr CARTER, having reported upon the question of a sewerage scheme, it was unanimously agreed, after a long discussion, to request the R.D.C. to consider the provision of a sewerage scheme for the Parish.

Conveying School Children

Mr A.G. SALMON rose [raised] the question of School Children having to walk to Timsbury and it was agreed that Clerk write the Education Authorities, asking them, in view of the distances, to make arrangements for conveying all children attending the Timsbury Adult Schools.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 15/3/37.

April 15th 1936

Parish Council Meeting held on above date;

members present: W.F. CARTER, A. CAREY, G.P. DANDO, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL and A.G. SALMON.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER was unanimously elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Mr A. CAREY was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

School Manager

Mr A.G. SALMON was unanimously elected as School Manager for the ensuing year.

Clerk

On the motion of Mr W.F. CARTER, seconded by A.G. SALMON, Mr G.B. CLEAVES was elected as Clerk, the Salary to be the same as in preceding year.

Correspondence

Letter from County Education Com., re conveying of Children to Timsbury, was read by Clerk.

Account

The account of Mr T. ELMS for £2. 1. 6, for work done and material supplied to the Cam Bridge, was agreed to and cheque signed.

Refuse

There was some discussion over the question of weekly collections of refuse but there was no motion.

Dangerous Corner

The Clerk was instructed to Write the County Authority, calling Their attention to the continued accidents at Hallatrow and asking them to take the necessary steps to have the matter attended to.

Telephone

The Clerk was instructed to Write the Bristol Post Master, re the providing of a Public Telephone Kiosk in the Village.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 20/5/36.

May 20th 1936

Parish Council meeting on above date.

Mr W. CARTER presiding, others present Mr A. CAREY, Mr G.P. DANDO, Mr A. SALMON.

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Capt. W.B. SCOBELL sent letter apologising for his absence.

Mins.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from the County Authorities, asking for details of accidents at Hallatrow corner. Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that Police Authorities be asked to supply information; carried Unanimously.

Letter was read re proposed Building sites but there was no motion.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr CASWELL, re Paulton Hospital Scheme but there was no motion.

Building Site

Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded that, if other sites submitted were not approved or secured, the Mead be submitted as an alternative site.

Speed Limit

The Clerk was instructed to Write Mr KING, asking that the 30 mile [*per hour*] speed limit be applied from the Railway Hotel to the Railway Bridge in Hallatrow Hill.

Election of Councillor

It was agreed to Ask Mr HELLIKER to accept office for the remainder of Term.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, July 15th 1936.

July 15th 1936

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Mr W. CARTER presiding, others present Mr CAREY, DANDO, SCOBELL and HELLIKER.

A letter of apology was received from Mr SALMON.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and Confirmed.

Declaration

Mr HELLIKER signed declaration form on becoming member of Council.

Dangerous Corner

Correspondence re dangerous corner at Hallatrow was read; there was no motion.

Speed Limit at Hallatrow

Letter from Mr KING was read, stating that this matter was receiving their consideration.

Bridge at Longlands

On the motion of Mr CAREY, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed that Sub Com. be appointed, to carry out the necessary repairs, and Mr DANDO, Mr CAREY, Mr HELLIKER, the Chairman and Clerk were appointed as Sub Com.

Path to Paulton

Mr CARTER reported on the state of this path and it was unanimously agreed to carry out the necessary work and that Mr G. CARTER be employed to do same.

King George Memorial

Mr CARTER read a letter in connection with this; it was agreed to let matter stand over until(1) next meeting.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 23/9/36.

Sep. 23rd 1936

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER Presiding, A. CAREY, G.P. DANDO, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. SALMON, Mr HELLIKER.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Account

Mr SALMON moved, Capt. SCOBELL seconded, that report of Sub Com. on Bridge at Longlands be accepted and that account of Mr S. JAMES be paid.

Path to Paulton

Mr SALMON moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that Cheque for 28/- be drawn in favour of Mr G. CARTER, for work done on this path.

Correspondence

Letter was read from Cancer research Com. Agreed that same lie on Table.

King George's Jubilee Trust Fund

Mr SALMON moved and Mr SCOBELL seconded, that letter be sent to the R.D.C., stating that Council could not see their way clear to undertake this matter.

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Allotments

It was agreed that No. [blank] at Hallatrow and Nos. 6 & 3 [*altered in pencil to ½ No. 3*] at High Littleton be declared Void; also No. 15 at Hallatrow.

Vicarage Bushes

Complaint having been made, re the overhanging bushes in the Vicarage Grounds, it was agreed to call the attention of the Surveyor to the matter.

Dangerous Wall

Mr SALMON drew the attention of the Council to the dangerous state of the wall around triangular piece of Ground on the Batch. The Clerk was instructed to Write the County Council on the matter.

Housing

Mr CARTER reported on this matter.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 14/1/37.

Jan. 14th 1937

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding, Mr G.P. DANDO, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising from Minutes

The Clerk reported that he had written Mr ORCHARD, re overhan[*g*]/ing bushes in the Vicarage grounds and that same had been cut back. Also that he had written the Clerk to the County Council, re dangerous Wall on the batch and had been advised by him to communicate with the Owner of the Wall.

Bus Charges

On the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Capt. SCOBELL, the Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Bus Co., asking them to put into force a return fare charge from Radstock at a reduced rate.

Allotments

Capt. SCOBELL moved and Mr DANDO seconded, that all tenants of the High Littleton Allotment be given notice to give up their land, in view of the proposed building of Council Houses on Same.

Charges for Meetings

The Clerk reported that, at the recent audit, he had been instructed that, the sum now paid, was in excess of what was allowed; he was instructed to write the School Correspondent, drawing his attention to the matter.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 3/2/37.

Feb. 3rd 1937

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, A. CAREY, G.P. DANDO and R. HELLIKER.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from the Bristol Tramways & Bus Co. and its contents were noted.

Letter was read from the Vicar re charge for use of schoolroom for meetings. The chairman promised to get advice on this and the clerk was instructed to reply, when same was at hand.

Allotments

The Clerk was instructed to see Capt. W.B. SCOBELL and, if necessary, give him notice to terminate present agreement on allotments.

Mr CAREY and Mr HELLIKER agreed to inspect hedge at the Hallatrow allotment and report on same.

Coronation

It was agreed to call a Parish Meeting, in connection with the Coronation, on Wed. Feb. 17th.

Precept

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr CARTER, that precept for £15. 0. 0 be drawn on the Local Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 15/3/37.

March 15th 1937

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, A. CAREY, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

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Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

Mr CAREY reported that the Sub Com., appointed to deal with allotment hedge at Hallatrow, had arranged with Mr MIDDLE to cut and lay same and that the work had been satisfactorily completed.

A/c

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year, which were adop[t]ed, on the motion of Mr CAREY, seconded by Capt. SCOBELL.

Allotments

It was agreed to keep on 1½ acres of allotment, the other 1½ acres to be handed over to Capt. SCOBELL.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 15/4/37.

March 15th 1937

The Annual Parish meeting, duly Convened by the Chairman, was held on the above date, Mr CARTER presiding.

Present: 33 electors.

Mr E.B. CARTER was elected Chairman, for the purpose of electing the new Parish Council. There were nine nominations for the six seats as follows: A. CAREY, A. BEACHAM, W.F. CARTER, F. HOOK[E], G. MAULE, W.B. SCOBELL, G.P. DANDO, Albert FRICKER, R. HELLIKER.

The following were declared by the Chairman to be duly elected: W.F. CARTER, G.P. DANDO, A. FRICKER, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE and W.B. SCOBELL.

Mr W.F. CARTER, having resumed the Chairmanship, the further business of the annual meeting was proceeded with.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr CARTER reported on the delay in providing a sidewalk through the Village.

Conveyance of School Children

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the Conveyance of Children to the Timsbury Senior Schools and, after some discussion, Mr CARTER was requested to press upon the Authorities the need for revision.

Sewerage

Mr CARTER reported that a scheme was in progress for the whole area.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts, which were adop[t]ed on the motion of Mr BELCHER, seconded by Mr E.B. CARTER.

Mary JONES' Charity

List of recipients read, together with Accounts. Mr HOOK[E] moved and Mr BELCHER secon[d]ed their adoption, which was carried Unanimously.

Allotments

Some discussion arose over allotments but there was no motion.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman, 30-3-38.

April 14th 1937

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, G.P. DANDO, A.C. FRICKER, G. MAULE & F. HOOKE.

Declarations

These were signed by members present.

Election of Officers

W.F. CARTER was duly elected Chairman.

G.P. DANDO was duly elected Vice Chairman.

School Manager

G.P. DANDO was elected manager of the C.E. Schools for the ensuing year.

Clerk

G.B. CLEAVES was elected Clerk for the ensuing year, at the same salary as in previous years.

Housing

Letter signed by 3 Hallatrow electors, asking that houses should be erected at Hallatrow. The Clerk was instructed to write the R.D.C., asking them to take action on the matter.

Telephone Kiosk

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Postmaster asking if a light could not be provided for the Kiosk.

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Postal arrangements

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Post master re the unsatisfactory Postal Service in the village.
[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 14/7/37.

July 14th 1937

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, G.P. DANDO, A.C. FRICKER, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE.

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL was unavoidably away through illness; an apology was sent.

Housing

Some discussion arose over possible sites for houses at Hallatrow; it was eventually agreed to submit site on the Paulton Rd., O.S. No. 152.

School representative

It was agreed to accept the nominee of Farrington Gurney (Capt. ASHELBY [*Alan Douglas ESHELBY*]), as representative on the Midnorton Council Schools.

A/cts.

Account was presented from Mr BARWICK for Council's share, 13/6, of expenses in the recent elections; on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr HOOKE, it was agreed that same be paid.

Coronation

It was agreed unanimously to draw a cheque for £2. 9. 0, toward defraying the cost of the recent Coronation Celebrations.

Path to Paulton

It was agreed to carry out the necessary work on this path and Mr HOOKE and the Clerk were appointed as Sub. Com., to see the work carried out.

Bus fares

It was agreed that a further letter be written the bus Co., re the Return Fare to and From Radstock.

Allotments

It was reported that certain allotment holders had created a nuseance (*sic*) to the hedges etc. It was agreed to call their attention to same.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 10/2/38.

Feb. 10th '38

Council meeting held on above date.

Mr Wm. CARTER presiding, others present G. DANDO, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE, A. FRICKER and Capt. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Housing at Hallatrow

Arising out of the minutes the Chairman reported that the Owner of proposed site at Hallatrow for 6 houses had refused to sell, and the Council were asked to submit alternative site. It was agreed to submit field situated at the top of the lane between Messrs CLARE's Farm and Bloomfield buildings, No. [blank] on map.

Bus fares

The Clerk was instructed to again call the attention of the Bristol Bus Co. to the question of issuing return tickets between High Littleton and Radstock.

Paths

The Clerk reported that his attention had been called to the state of the stone bridge over the brook at the bottom of Steven's Hill. Mr HOOKE and Mr FRICKER, who had seen same, were of opinion that the damage was wilful. It was agreed to write the Clutton Council re the matter, with a view of joint action.

Telephone Kiosk

The Clerk was instructed to write the Post Master, Bristol, calling his attention to the need of a light in the Telephone Kiosk in the Village.

Allotments

The Clerk was instructed to have the necessary repairs done to allotment gate, and also to write Mr WHITE, respecting damage done on allotments by his sheep.

Precept

It was agreed to draw a precept for the sum of £15 on the Local Authority.

Land Tax

The Clerk was instructed to write the Inspector of Taxes at Bristol, pointing out that all charges in respect to allotments at High Littleton, had been met by the Owner.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER (Chairman), 23/3/38.

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March 23rd 1938

Meeting of Council on above date.

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding, others present G. DANDO, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE, A. FRICKER.

Letter of apology was received from Capt. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising from Minutes

The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with the Chairman of the Clutton Council re the bridge over the brook at the bottom of Steven's hill and that the Clutton Council would undertake the necessary repairs, if agreeable to the High Littleton Council. It was unanimously agreed to ask the Clutton Council to proceed with the work.

Correspondence

Letter from the Post Office, re light in Telephone Kiosk, was read, stating that the Manager of the Telephone department had the matter in hand.

Letter was read from the Bristol Bus Co., stating that they could not at present put the return fare, asked for, into operation.

Accounts

The Clerk present[ed] the outstanding accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed that same be paid.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 28/4/38.

March 30th 1938

The Annual Parish meeting was held in the Schoolroom on above date, Mr W.F. CARTER presiding; there were 17 Electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that he had raised the question of conveying children to the Timsbury Senior Schools but the County Education Com. could make no alteration on the present method.

A/cs

The Clerk presented the Parochial accounts, which were adop[t]ed on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr DANDO.

Mary JONES' Charity Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and read a list of rec(e)ipients. On the Motion of Mr HILLMAN, seconded by Mr DANDO, the accounts were adop[t]ed.

School Manager's Report

Mr DANDO gave an interesting report on the working of the School; he regret[t]ed being unable to attend Com. meetings regularly, as they were usually called at a time when he was at work. On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr CLEAVES, he was thanked for his report.

Mr FENTON drew the attention of those present to the danger to Children leaving the school premises and, after some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to write the School Managers, with a view to having a more suitable barrier placed at the School gates.

Stamp Machine

On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr CARTER, the Clerk was instructed to apply to the Postal authorities for the erection of a stamp machine in the Village.

Allotments

Letter was read from Mr BELCHER, complaining of the continued pilfering from the allotments; it was agreed to call the attention of the Police to the matter.

Housing

The Chairman reported that, at last, definite progress had been made toward the erection of the 12 houses applied for in the Village and also that the site submitted at Hallatrow had been approved.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 5/4/39.

April 28th '38

Meeting of Parish Council held on above date.

Members Present

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding, others present F. HOOKE, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, G.P. DANDO & A. FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and Confirmed.

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Matters arising

The Clerk reported that the repairs to bridge at Steven's hill had been carried out by the Clutton Council but so far he had not received their a/c.

Elections

Mr W.F. CARTER was Unanimously re-elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chair

Mr DANDO was re-elected as Vice Chairman.

School Manager

Mr DANDO was re-elected School Manager for the ensuing year.

Clerk

G.B. CLEAVES was re-/e/lected as Clerk for the ensuing year. The salary to be as heretofore.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the Postmaster stating that it had been decided to place a light in the Telephone Kiosk.

Letter from the Postmaster Surveyor, re the provision of a stamp selling machine, was read, in which he stated that the sale of ½ penny and penny stamps did not warrant the provision of such a machine. On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed that Clerk write the Surveyor again on the matter.

Paths

The state of the Path leading to Paulton was considered and the Clerk was instructed to have same put into repair.

Bridge over Cam

Mr HOOKE reported that the woodwork on bridge over the Cam had been broken in. It was decided that members would visit same and the Clerk, after this visit, was instructed to write the Paulton Council on the matter.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 22/6/38.

June 22nd 1938

Parish Council meeting held on above Date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding, G. DANDO, A. FRICKER, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were read & Confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that there had been further correspondence with the Postmaster Surveyor of Bristol, re the provision of stamp machine, but that, so far, the postmaster could not agree to supply same. There was some discussion and it was agreed to allow the matter to stand over until(l) the next meeting.

Paths

The Clerk reported that the necessary work on the path to Paulton had been completed.

Accounts

The following accounts were presented:

Clutton Council - Half cost of repairing bridge at Steven's Hill	£1. 9. 1
Mr T. TAVINER - for work done on Paulton Path and Stamps	£3.16. 0
Mr A. CARTER - to Hauling away refuse from path and to supplying and hauling 4 Tons of material	£3. 6. 0

on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr DANDO, it was agreed that these accounts be paid.

Precept

It was unanimously agreed to Draw precept on the Rating Authority for the sum of £10.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 24/8/38.

August 24th 1938

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Wm. F. CARTER presiding, G. DANDO, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE and A. FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and Confirmed.

Matters Arising, Stamp Machine

After some discussion re the provision of stamp machine for the Village, It was agreed, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr FRICKER, that a further appeal to the Post Master of Bristol be made and that Villagers be asked to sign an appeal in support of same.

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Correspondence

Letter was read from Mr BARWICK re road into Proposed new Houses and the probability of further land being required for housing. It was agreed, on the motion of Mr DANDO, seconded by Mr MAULE, that the Council were in favour of acquiring land a/d/joining proposed site for housing purposes.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Farmborough Council, calling their attention to the state of the path leading from New Rd. to Rotcombe.

[Signed] G.P. DANDO, 8/2/39.

Meeting held Feb. 7th 1939.

Present

Mr DANDO presiding, others present Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. FRICKER, F. HOOKE.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

The Clerk reported that he had not received from Mr MAULE the list of persons signing request for stamp machine.

Also, that the Farmborough Council had taken action in respect to path, to which their attention was drawn.

Accounts

The Clerk presented an account from the Paulton Council, for repairs to the Cam Bridge; on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr FRICKER, it was agreed that same be paid.

Path

It was reported that Mr WORKMAN had completed repairs to Path leading to allotments, and Clerk was instructed to meet his account.

Land Tax

The Clerk was instructed to return Land Tax form, together with an explanation, to the effect that this charge was met by the Landlord.

Mr FRICKER rose [raised] the question of dangerous ring on the side walk near Wesleyan Chapel; it was agreed that Sub. Com. should inspect and report on same.

Precept

It was unanimously agreed that precept for £15 be drawn on the rating authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 22/3/39.

March 22nd '39

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, others present F. HOOKE, Capt. SCOBELL, G. DANDO, A. FRICKER, G. MAULE.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

The Com. appointed to inspect reported dangerous cover to hole in pavement near Wesleyan Chapel, stated that, in their opinion, some action should be taken with same and the Clerk was instructed to write the County Surveyor on the matter.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr DANDO, secon[d]ed by Mr MAULE, same was unanimously accepted.

Cheques in Favour of Capt. SCOBELL, Mr A. STYLES and the Clerk were drawn in accordance with accounts presented.

Date of Annual meeting

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish meeting on Wednesday April 5th at 7.0 p.m.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 10/5/39.

April 5th 1939

[Annual] Parish meeting held on above date, Mr W.F. CARTER presiding.

Present

There were 17 other electors present.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported on the present position of the proposed new houses.

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Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr HILLMAN, seconded by Mr FRICKER, they were unanimously accepted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The accounts, together with list of recipients, was read and, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr PIKE, were unanimously accepted.

School Manager's Report

Mr DANDO gave a good report on the work done in the schools during the year; he spoke in high terms of the Master and Staff. On the motion of Mr MAULE, seconded by Mr HOOKE, he was thanked for his work and report.

Triangular Piece at the Batch

Mr DOWLING called attention to the state of the walls etc. here and asked that the County Council be asked to give same their attention. The chairman pointed out that, as same was private proper[ty], the Council had no power.

Dangerous Corner

The Clerk was instructed to write the County Surveyor re the dangerous corner at the Batch and also to ask that a sign be erected there, warning motorists of the approach to the schools.

The Clerk was also instructed to Write Messrs GREENHILL per Messrs PALMER and sons, re Triangular piece of ground on the batch, asking them to take steps to put walls of same in order.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 3/4/40.

May 10th /1939/

Council meeting held on above date.

Members Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, G.P. DANDO, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. FRICKER & F. HOOKE.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Elections, Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER was unanimously r[e]elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chair

Mr G.P. DANDO was unanimously elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

School Manager

Mr G.P. DANDO was thanked for his past service as School Manager and unanimously re-elected.

Clerk

G.B. CLEAVES was r[e]elected as Clerk at his present Salary.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from the County Surveyor, stating that the necessary steps had been taken to remove any danger from ring in pavement near Wesleyan Chapel.

Also a letter from the County Surveyor re erection of a sign, showing the nearness of the schools, on the Batch.

Letter was read from Messrs W.H. PALMER & Son, re triangular piece of ground on the Batch.

The Clerk was instructed to write the County Surveyor, asking if and when (would) the proposed side walk on the end of village would be put into place.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 18/9/39.

Sep. 18th '39

Meeting of Council on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Chairman, G. DANDO, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE, Capt. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letter was read from County Surveyor, stating that the application for the erection of School signs at the Batch had not been granted.

Council Treasurer

It was agreed that the Westminster Bank Ltd., Midsomer Norton Branch, be treasurer for the Council. The necessary form being duly signed by the Council & Clerk.

Paths

The Clerk was instructed to take the necessary action to have path to Paulton put in order.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Farmborough Council, calling their attention to the state of the path leading from New Rd. to Rotcombe.

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[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 14/2/40.

Feb. 14th '40

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER, Chairman, G. MAULE, F. HOOK[E] & A. FRICKER.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Motion of Sympathy

Before starting the business on agenda, Mr CARTER moved that a letter of sympathy be sent Mrs G. DANDO [*Sarah Ann, widow of Gilbert Peter DANDO, who died on 15 Jan 1940, aged 63*]. This was agreed to by the Council, who stood in silence.

Correspondence

Letter was read from The Westminster Bank, Thanking the Council for appointing them as Treasurer.

School Manager

On the motion of Mr MAULE, seconded by Mr FRICKER, it was agreed to appoint Mr F. HOOKE as school Manager, and the Clerk was instructed to notify the School Correspondent to that effect.

Vacancy

It was agreed that Mr CAREY should be offered the seat on Council, vacant through the death of Mr DANDO.

Allotments

The Clerk reported that Lots [*blank*] at High Littleton and Lot [*blank*] at Hallatrow were vacant and same were declared Void.

The Clerk was instructed to post notices in the Village, stating that allotments were to be let.

Precept

It was agreed to Draw precept for the sum of £15. 0. 0.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 3/4/40.

April 3rd 1940

Parish Council Meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, Cap. W.B. SCOBELL, A. FRICKER, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE & A. CAREY.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Accounts

The Accounts for the year were presented and agreed to(o).

Paths

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL reported that the Fence on Bridge at New Rd. had been pulled down, and A. FRICKER [*reported*] that some damage had been done to the Fence on Bridge over the Stream in Greyfield Wood; after some discussion, It was agreed that the Police be asked to try and discover the offenders.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 15/7/40.

April 3rd 1940

[*Annual*] Parish meeting held on above date, W.F. CARTER presiding.

Present

There were 16 other electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Matters arising

The Clerk reported that he had been in Touch with the Surveyor re triangular piece of ground on the Batch but that the matter was now in abeyance. Also, that he had been informed by the signs Com. that they did not propose to erect signs near the school.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts, which were unanimously agreed to(o).

Mary JONES' Charity

The Accounts was [*were*] presented and the list of recipients (*sic*) for the [*past year*] given; after some questions, they were agreed to(o).

School Manager's Report

The Chairman spoke on the reason for this report not being given and mentioned how earnestly the Late Mr G. DANDO had carried out his duties.

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Any other business

There was some discussion on the question of damage to Fence on footbridge in Gully field and the Clerk was requested to call the attention of the Police to the matter.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 16/4/41.

July 15th 1940

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Wm. F. CARTER in the chair, F. HOOKE, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. FRICKER, G. MAULE, A. CAREY.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Chairman read a letter he had received, re Vegetable Growing and Fruit collecting etc. It was agreed to co-operate with the W.I. in this matter.

The Clerk read a letter re enemy landing of Aeroplanes in the Parish; the Council, having gone carefully into the question, appointed Mr CAREY and Mr FRICKER to inspect certain fields in the Hallatrow area and Mr HOOKE and the Clerk to do the same at the High Littleton end; upon receipt of their reports, the Clerk to write the Occupiers concerned, asking their co-operation in placing obstacles in any field likely to prove suitable for planes to land in.

Path

The clerk reported upon the state of path leading to Paulton and he was instructed to get the necessary work carried out.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 26/2/41.

Feb. 26th 1941

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER in chair, Capt. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE, A. CAREY & A. FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the work on path leading to Paulton had been carried out.

Allotments

The Clerk reported that there was still some pieces of allotment Vacant and it was agreed that same be declared Void.

Precept

It was proposed by Capt. SCOBELL and seconded by F. HOOKE, that a precept for the sum of £10 be drawn on the Local Rating Authorities.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 2/3/42.

April 16th 1941

[Annual] Parish Meeting held on above date.

There were present Mr Wm. F. CARTER, Chairman and 5 other electors.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and unanimously agreed to(o).

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year; on the motion of Mr PIKE, seconded by Mr DOWLING, these were agreed to(o).

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk presented the accounts, also list of recipients for the year 1940. The Chairman explained that the amounts granted had been increased but that he was afraid the increase could not be kept up.

School Manager's Report

Mr HOOKE gave his report on the working of the schools and, on the motion of Mr CARTER, seconded by Mr DOWLING, same was accepted, with Thanks to Mr HOOKE for his excellent report.

[Signed] E.J.M. FENTON, Acting Chairman, 15.4.42.

March 2nd 1942

Meeting of Council on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER in chair, A. FRICKER, A. CAREY & G. MAULE.

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Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read & Confirmed.

Precept

A Precept for the sum of £10 was drawn on the Local Rating Authority.

Paths

It was agreed that the report of the Clerk, on work done to path leading to Paulton, be agreed to and that the sum of 5/- be paid for work done.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Clutton Parish Council re repairs to Bridge at Steven's Hill.

Collection of Ashes

Mr CAREY rose [*raised*] the question of the collecting of ashes in the Village and it was agreed that same should be put on the agenda for next Annual Parish meeting.

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, 23/3/42.

March 23rd '42

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER in chair, G. MAULE, A. FRICKER, A. CAREY.

Minutes

The minutes of last meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Correspondence

The Clerk reported that he had received an apology from Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year, which were agreed to(o).

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, 6/1/43.

April 15th 1942

The Annual Parish meeting was held in the Schoolroom on the above date.

The chair was taken by Mr FENTON in the absence of Mr CARTER through illness.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and unanimously agreed to(o).

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr HOOK[E], seconded by Capt. SCOBELL, they were unanimously adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk read a list of rec(e)ipients for the past year and the same was adopted as read.

School Manager's Report

The School Manager's report was read in his absence and agreed to(o).

Mr COXON rose [*raised*] the question of dumping ashes along the Greyfield Rd. and, after some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to write Mr SHAW, drawing his attention to same.

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, 14/4/43.

Jan. 6th '43

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER in chair, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE, & B./A.C./ FRICKER.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Clerk submitted a demand for Income Tax on the allotments; after some discussion, it was agreed, as this was a first demand for such Tax, Inquiries should be made, as to the Council's liability for same.

Paths

The Clerk reported that he had paid Mr G. EVANS 5/- for work done on Path leading to Paulton. On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr FRICKER, the action was confirmed.

It was reported that the occupier of land a[d/]joining path leading to Greyfield had commenced cutting back the hedge a[d/]joining path and, it was agreed in view of this, that no further action was necessary.

[*Signed*] Wm. F. CARTER, 24/2/43.

Feb. 24th 1943

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER in chair, A. CAREY & B./A.C./ FRICKER.

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Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from the Income Tax Commissioners, Re Demand for Tax on allotments. After some discussion it was agreed to pay Tax and to divide the amount equally, for repayment between the two Landlords.

Precept

It was agreed that Precept for £10 be drawn on the Local Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 29/3/43.

March 29th '43

Council meeting held on above date.

Members Present

W.F. CARTER in chair, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, B. FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year, which, on the motion of Capt. SCOBELL, seconded by F. HOOKE, were unanimously agreed to(o).

Housing

The Clerk read a letter from the District Council re housing needs; after some discussion, it was agreed to ask for 50 houses, in addition to the 12, for which the district Council already have the land, the houses to be divided between High Littleton and Hallatrow.

Sites

Having considered the various possible sites for Houses, it was agreed to submit 2 sites at High Littleton and 2 at Hallatrow.

Cheques

Cheques were drawn in favour of the District Council: A. STYLES and G.B. CLEAVES.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 10/2/44.

April 14th 1943

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on the above date.

Mr W.F. CARTER presided and there were six other electors present.

Minutes

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were unanimously accepted.

Accounts

The Accounts for the year were presented and, on the motion of Mr FRICKER, seconded by Mr PARSONS, were adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk gave the report on this Charity, which was accepted.

School Manager's Report

The School Manager, Mr F. HOOK[E], being absent, the Clerk read a written report from him dealing with the work of the school in the past year; this was accepted and Mr HOOKE thanked for his services.

Housing

The Chairman gave the meeting some interesting information on the possible erection of houses after the war and he was thanked for his information.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 5/4/44.

Feb. 10th '44

Meeting of Council Held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, A. CAREY and F. HOOKE.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Mr A. STYLES of Paulton re the damage to the Bridge over the Cam. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr ELMS, asking him, on account of the danger to the public, to complete the repairs as soon as possible.

Aid to Russia & China

In connection with this matter, Mr CARTER was requested to convey to the District Council the opinion of above Council, which was that the two things should be held on the same date.

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Precept

It was agreed that precept for £15 be drawn on the Rating Authority.

Accounts

The Clerk was instructed to meet the following accounts:

To Inland Revenue £5. 0. 0,
the District Council £3.10. 0 and
the executors of Mr A. STYLES £3.10. 0.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 27/3/44.

March 27th '44

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, B. FRICKER, F. HOOKE.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising

The Clerk reported that he had seen Mr ELMS re repairs to the Cam Bridge.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Capt. SCOBELL, same were accepted.

Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish meeting on Wednesday Apl. 5th at 7 p.m. in the School room.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 5/3/45.

April 5th 1944

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on above date.

Mr Wm. F. CARTER presided and there were 4 other electors present.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last Annual meeting were read by the Clerk and unanimously adop[t]ed.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year ending March the 31st and, on the Motion of Mr PIKE, seconded by Mr DOWLING, they were adop[t]ed.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk gave a report on this Charity, which was adop[t]ed.

School Manager's Report

The Report was given by Mr HOOKE, who laid stress on the difficulty there had been during the past year, on account of the shortage of teachers, together with all the extra work entailed by the provision of meals etc. for the scholars; on the motion of Mr CARTER, seconded by Mr CLEAVES, the report was accepted and Mr HOOKE thanked for his services.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER (Chairman), April 11th 1945.

March 5th '45

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, G. MAULE, A. CAREY.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Confirmed.

Matters arising

The Sec. [Clerk] reported that he had interviewed Mr ELMS, re repairs to the Cam Bridge, but had been unable to get the work done by Mr ELMS. As the matter was one of urgency, he had approached Mr TUCKER, who had carried out the work.

Paths

The action of the Clerk, re clearing of obstructions in the path to Paulton, was approved.

Income Tax Demand

After some discussion, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Capt. SCOBELL, It was agreed to meet the demand of the Inland Revenue Authorities for Tax due for 1941-42.

Precept

It was agreed that precept for £15 be drawn on the local Authority.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 26/3/45.

March 26th '45

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, Mr G. MAULE & F. HOOKE.

An apology for his absence was received from Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Min.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

Correspondence

A letter from Mr FENTON was read and, after some discussion, it was agreed to let it stand over until(l) after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year; these were accepted.

Parish Meeting

The Date of the Annual Parish Meeting was fixed for April 11th.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 16/1/46.

April 11th '45

Annual Parish meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr Wm. F. CARTER presiding, there were three other electors present.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts, which were adop[t]ed.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk reported that 36 persons had benefited by the Charity in 1944; the report was accepted.

Mr MAULE drew attention to the nuseance (*sic*) in the centre of the Village, due to sewage rising from the drains near to the Chapel. The Clerk was instructed to write the Sanitary Inspector, calling his attention to the matter.

[Unsigned] Wm. F. CARTER, 29/5/46.

Jan. 16th '46

Meeting of Council on above date.

Present

Mr W.F. CARTER presiding, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, G. MAULE, F. HOOKE, B. FRICKER.

Minutes

The minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Allotments

The question of the position of allotment holders, in view of possible building operations, were discussed and it was agreed to point out the position to Tenants and give them the option of planting or otherwise.

The Chairman stated that he had received a complaint from one holder of allotment at Hallatrow, re the fence and it was agreed that Mr F. HOOKE and the Clerk should interview Mr MORRIS on the side, with a view to having any necessary repairs to fence completed.

Local Government Representation

In view of the altered position, regarding the number of Co/u/ncillors allowed for parishes of one Thousand inhabitants or more, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr SCOBELL, seconded by Mr MAULE, that we seek permission to increase the number of Parish Councillors to nine.

District Representation

On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr FRICKER, [*it was agreed*] that permission [*be sought*] to increase our representatives on the Local District Co. (be) in future [*to*] two.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 27/3/46.

March 27th '46

Meeting of Council on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER presiding, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL & G. MAULE.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

The Clerk reported that he and Mr HOOKE had visited Hallatrow allotments and had afterwards interviewed Mr MORRIS, who had agreed to supply and fix the required supports.

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The Clerk reported that permission had been obtained from the County Council to increase the number of Parish Councillors from six to nine.

Accounts

The accounts for the year were presented and, on the motion of Mr MAUL[E], seconded by Capt. SCOBELL, were adopted.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 3/7/46.

May 29th 1946

Annual Parish meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr W. F. CARTER presiding and about 50 electors.

Election of P. Council

There were Fifteen nominations for the nine seats on the Council. The business of election was carried out but, at the conclusion, a Poll was demanded, supported by Ten Electors.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, seconded by F. HOOKE, were unanimously adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk read the list of recipients for the year and, after some discussion, the report was accepted.

School Manager's Report

Mr HOOKE gave the report, which was most satisfactory and he was unanimously thanked for same.

Postal Facilities

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Postmaster, asking that a later collection of letters be arranged for and also if it was not possible to have a Stamp machine for the Parish.

Bus Accommodation (sic)

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol and Bath Bus Companies, pointing out the inadequate Bus service for the Village and asking that same should be improved.

Housing

Capt. SCOBELL moved a resolution that the District Council be reminded that the Parish were still awaiting the building of Council Houses, on the land that had been in their possession for the last eight years.

Cemetery

The state of the Cemetery was discussed and Mr B. CARTER promised to Bring the matter before the C[h]urch Council.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Apl. 14 '47.

July 3rd 1946

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL, F. BOX, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, W. CARTER, F. HATHWAY, B.[A.C.] FRICKER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Declarations

Declarations accepting Office were signed and witnessed by all members.

Chairman

Mr W.F. CARTER was unanimously elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

Poll

The result of the Poll for Councillors was read and agreed to(o).

Correspondence

The Clerk read letters received from the Bath & Bristol Tramways Cos., in reply to letters written them at the request of the Annual Parish meeting; these stated that the matter in question was receiving their attention.

Postal Facilities

Letter from the Bristol Postmaster was read, stating that the question of improved Postal service was receiving attention.

Dangerous Corners

Letter, re dangerous corners in the Parish and the consequent need for necessary signs, was read and, after discussion, various points were suggested and Mr BOX requested to bring same to the notice of the Authorities.

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Housing

A long discussion of this matter resulted in the Clerk being requested to ask the various Tenants of allotments to state their willingness to give up their holdings, so that the objection of the Ministry of Agriculture could be met and the housing programme proceeded with.

Clerk

Mr G.B. CLEAVES was re-elected as Clerk to the Council.

Date of future meetings

It was agreed to hold monthly meetings, to be held on the first Monday of the Month, where possible.

School Manager

Mr HOOKE was unanimously re-elected as School manager.

Mary JONES' Charity

Mr M. BROOKS was elected as member of the Mary JONES Com. in the place of Mr Wm. BRICE, who had resigned on account of his age.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Sep. 2nd 1946.

Sep. 2nd 1946

Meeting held on above date.

Present

W.F. CARTER, F. BOX, F. BROOKS, F. HATHWAY, W. BARNES, B. FRICKER, C. BOLWELL, M. BROOKS.

Letter was received from Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, stating that he would be unable to attend.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr BOX reported that the Ministry of Agriculture had removed the embargo on the housing site.

And also, that he had submit[t]ed to the Local Council the dangerous corners in the Parish, as suggested.

The Clerk reported that, as requested, he had obtained the signatures of the Tenants of allotments, signifying their willingness to give up holdings & that this had been forwarded to the Clerk of the Local Council.

Bus Service

The Clerk was requested to write the Bath Tramways, asking them to improve the present Service from the Village.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the Somerset Parish Councils' Com. and, after some discussion, it was agreed to defer the matter to the next meeting.

Accounts

Mr BOX moved and Mr F. BROOKS seconded, that the a/c of Mr WEST, for goods supplied, be met & cheque for the amount was signed.

Mr BOX reported that 1d. rate would raise £16. 6. 1.

Paths

The Clerk was instructed to get the necessary work done on path leading to Paulton.

The Clerk reported that the Farmboro' Council had taken no action on the path leading from the New Rd. to Rotcom[b]e and, after some discussion, he was instructed to write them again on the matter and, at the same time, call their attention to the dangerous state of the bridge over stream, on the path leading to Kingwell and suggest to them that a deputation from their Council should meet a deputation from the High Littleton Council, with a view to taking joint action in the matter.

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the Path leading from Rotcom[b]e through Brick Yard and the Clerk was instructed to write the Local Council on the matter.

Sewage

Mr F. BROOKS raised the question of nuisance (*sic*), caused by sewage matter opposite the Council Houses on the Batch and Mr BOX promised to draw the Sanitary Inspector's attention to the matter and also to the state of the drain opposite the Wesleyan Chapel.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 7/10/46.

Meeting held on Oct. 7th [1946]

Members Present

W.F. CARTER, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, M. BROOKS, F. BROOKS, F. BOX, W. BARNES.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

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Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from the Bath Tramway Co., stating that they would improve the bus service as soon as the necess[ar]y permission be granted by the Ministry of Transport; after some discussion, it was agreed that letter be noted and developments awaited.

Parish Council Asso.

It was moved by Mr BOX, seconded by Mr CARTER, that we become members of Association.

Paths

The Clerk reported that the work on Path to Paulton had been completed and cheque value £2. 8/- was drawn in favour of Mr G. MAULE, for work done.

The Clerk also reported that he had received no reply from the Farmboro' Council, in respect to the path and Bridge, to which their attention had been drawn. It was agreed that a further letter on the matter be forwarded.

Sewage

Mr BOX reported that he had been in touch with Mr SHAW on this matter and, after some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to write the District Council Clerk on the matter. It was also agreed that a deputation should meet Mr SHAW, when he was attending to the matter.

Allotments

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK, stating the Council's willingness to surrender allotments in view of the present position.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, Nov. 7th 1946.

Nov. 7th 1946

Meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr Wm. CARTER, Capt. SCOBELL, F. HATHWAY, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, B. FRICKER, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr CARTER reported that deputation had met Mr SHAW at Rotcombe, in connection with complaint about Footpath and, after some discussion, the Clerk was requested to interview the owners of land, of which the ditch is part, and afterwards write the Clerk of the Council on the matter.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the account, showing the cost of election of Parish Council.

County Association

The Clerk presented a scale of charges for membership and it was agreed that we pay under the scale for one Thousand [*inhabitants*], viz. Two pounds.

Footpath

Mr HATHWAY reported that the Tenant of house a[d]joining a footpath at Hallatrow had erected a barricade, completely blocking a path and it was agreed that Clerk should write the Tenant on the matter.

Bus Stop Shelters

This matter was discussed but no resolution was moved.

Housing

Several members complained of the delay in starting building operations. Mr CARTER pointed out that the delay was due to the many formalities in connection with the matter, and also to the fact that meetings of Housing Com. were only held monthly.

[Signed] Wm. F. CARTER, 5/12/46.

Dec. 5th '46

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Mr CARTER, Mr BROOKS, Mr BOLWELL, Mr BARNES, Mr BOX, Mr FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had wrote Mr EDDINGTON at Hallatrow re blocking of Footpath.

Mr CARTER reported that he and Mr F. BROOKS had met a deputation from the Farmborough Council and had come to a unanimous decision, as to state of the footbridge in Gully Ground.

Repairs to Bridge

Mr BOX moved and Mr BOX (*sic*) seconded, that Mr TUCKER be asked to inspect the bridge and to submit an estimate for the necessary repairs.

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Housing

Mr BOX reported that the Architect had been instructed to secure tenders for the erection of 12 houses. After some discussion, on the suggestion of Mr CARTER, it was agreed that Clerk write Mr BARWICK, asking that his Council should take immediate action to secure further sites for houses in the Village.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Jan. 2 1947.

Jan. 2nd '47

Meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS. M. BROOKS, F. BOX, F. HATHWAY.

Capt. SCOBELL, in opening the meeting, spoke of the loss to the Council by the death of the Chairman Mr W.F. CARTER [*William Frederick CARTER died 28 Dec 1946, aged 61*]; the members all stood in silence and, after, the Clerk was requested to tender the Council's sympathy to the widow [*Beatrice Annie CARTER*].

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Tender for the repair of Gully bridge was submitted by H. TUCKER and son and it was agreed to accept same.

Housing

Letter from the District Council, re housing sites, was read; after some discussion, in which it was pointed out that such sites had already been sent in and presumably accepted, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr BARNES, it was agreed that Clerk write Mr BARWICK to that effect.

Path at Hallatrow

The Clerk reported that he had visited the persons concerned but that so far nothing had been done in the matter. Mr HATHWAY was requested to interview Mr EDDINGTON, the person responsible for the obstruction.

Lighting

After some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to write the North Somerset Electric lighting Co., asking for an estimate of the probable cost.

Bus Shelter

After some discussion, Mr BARNES moved and Mr F. BROOKS seconded, that the Bath and Bristol Tramways be written to, asking what proportion of the cost of shelters they would be prepared to meet.

Allotments

Mr HATHWAY reported that some tenants of the Hallatrow allotments were not cultivating same and it was agreed that such tenants be notified that, unless the land was properly used, their tenancy must cease.

Chairman

Capt. SCOBELL was unanimously elected as Chairman.

Vice Chairman

Mr F. BOX was elected as Vice Chairman.

Mr F. HOOKE was co-opted as a member of Council.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 6 Feb. '47.

Feb. 6th '47

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Present

Capt. SCOBELL, Chairman, M. BROOKS, F. BROOKS, W. BARNES, F. HATHWAY, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr HATHWAY reported that he had visited the path at Hallatrow but was not satisfied with what had been done in regard to the moving of the obstruction. It was agreed that Mr HATHWAY & Mr F. BROOKS should seek a further interview with Mr EDDINGTON.

Bus Shelter

Capt. SCOBELL reported that he had written George's Brewery Co. re site but, so far, had been unable to meet their representative on the suggested site. Mr SCOBELL also promised that he would subscribe the sum of £20 toward a shelter at High Littleton and £5 toward a shelter at Hallatrow; it was agreed that the matter should be put on the agenda of the Annual Parish meeting and Mr F. BROOKS and Mr HATHWAY were appointed to visit Hallatrow, with a view of selecting possible site.

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Lighting

The Clerk read a letter from the North Somerset Electric Co., giving possible cost per lamp and, after some discussion, it was agreed that Mr HOOKE and Mr M. BROOKS should try and ascertain the number required at the High Littleton end. Mr HATHWAY and Mr F. BROOKS to do the same for Hallatrow.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the a/c from Mr BARWICK for election costs; it was agreed that same be met.

Precept

It was agreed that a precept for the sum of £30 be drawn on the rating Authority.

[Signed] F.G. BOX, 6.3.47.

March 7th [?6th intended] 1947

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. BOX, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, B. FRICKER, F. HATHWAY, F. HOOKE.

In the absence of Capt. SCOBELL, Mr BOX Presided.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

Mr HOOKE reported that, so far, they had been unable to ascertain the approximate number of lights required for the Village. Mr HATHWAY reported that his estimate for the Hallatrow side would be fourteen lights.

Blocked Path

Mr HATHWAY reported that, so far, they had been unable to see Mr EDDINGTON, re the block to path, complained of.

Housing

It was agreed that Council should press for the Brickyard site for further houses and Mr BOX was requested to press the matter at the district Council meeting.

Bus Stop

The Clerk was requested to write the Bristol Tramways Co., re arranging a Bus stop near the Hallatrow Council Houses.

House Requisitioning

Some talk, re the taking over of vacant houses, took place but no resolution was moved.

Precept

It was agreed to draw a precept for £10.

[Signed] F.G. BOX, 27.3.47.

Mar. 27th 1947

Meeting on above date.

Present

F. BOX, F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, M. BROOKS, F. HATHWAY, Capt. SCOBELL.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

Mr BROOKS stated that, in his opinion, six lights would be needed for Mearns & Rotcombe; this, together with lights through the other parts of the Village & Hallatrow, would bring the total to at least thirty.

Blocked Path

Mr HATHWAY reported that he had seen Mr EDDINGTON, re obstruction to path and that he had agreed to remove same.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year ending March 31st and same was accepted, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr BARNES.

Council House Paths

Mr HATHWAY brought up the question of the state of the paths at the Hallatrow Council Houses; the discussion following went to prove that, the state of the paths at the High Littleton Houses, were also bad and Mr BOX was requested to draw the attention of the District Council to the matter.

Bus Shelter

Capt. SCOBELL reported that he had had an interview with Mr STRAGNALL over the proposed site but that no decision had been arrived at.

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Paths

Mr BOX brought up the question of the path through a field at Mearns; it was pointed out that the state of this path was due to the blocking of the ditch above; no resolution regarding the matter was moved.

Clerk's Salary

It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk's Salary be increased to £15 per Annum.

[Unsigned] F.G. BOX, 1/5/47.

April 14th 1947

Annual Parish meeting held on above date, Capt. W.B. SCOBELL presiding. There were 22 other electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Accounts

The Secretary *[Clerk]* presented the Annual Accounts, which were accepted as read.

Mary JONES' Charity

The list of recipients for 1946 was read and accepted.

School Manager's Report

Mr HOOKE gave a detailed report on the Schools and, after a lengthy discussion over the long periods the school had been closed during the year and which Mr HOOKE was requested to bring to the notice of the Managers, his report was then accepted and Mr HOOKE thanked for his services.

Street Lighting

A long discussion on this matter took place and, on a vote being taken, it was agreed by Eleven votes to eight to carry on with the scheme.

Bus Shelter

This matter was discussed at some length, The Chairman giving details of what had so far been done and, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr HOOKE, it was agreed that Parish Council should continue to try and secure sites for Shelters.

Sewage

The question of sewage was discussed at some length and a resolution was approved, that we express our dissatisfaction at the way in which the matter had been dealt with by the Sanitary Authorities.

Housing

Mr BOX assured the meeting that there was every probability that the 12 houses for the Village would be completed in the current year.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Apl. 14th 1948.

May 1st 1947

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. BOX presiding, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. HATHWAY, F. HOOKE.

Minutes

Minutes read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr BOX reported that he had requested Mr SHAW to pay attention to the state of the Paths at the Council Houses.

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from the County Parish Councils' Association, setting forth the ideas of the Association and giving notice of a meeting to be held at Taunton on May 3rd. After some discussion, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr BARNES, that we be not represented. The Clerk was instructed to write the Secretary of Association, asking for a report of the business done.

Refuse Collecting

Some discussion on the collecting of refuse took place and complaints about some people placing their refuse out on the day preceding collection, thereby causing a possible danger to other people using the entry to their houses; after some time spent in discussing this matter, the Clerk was asked to draw the attention of the people concerned to the matter.

Footpath Obstruction

The Clerk was instructed to draw the attention of Mr WORKMAN to the danger of leaving his car in the path leading to Brick Yard and Butler's Field.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 3/7/47.

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July 3rd 1947

Council meeting held on above date.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, W. BARNES, F. HOOKE & C. BOLWELL. *[inserted out of order]*

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had interviewed the persons reported for placing their ashes on the edge of the highway on Sundays and that the matter had been attended to.

Member's resignation

Letter was read from Mr BOX, tendering his resignation from Council, due to his leaving the neighbourhood. The Clerk was asked to write Mr BOX, stating the members' appreciation of his services.

Co-option of new Member

It was agreed to defer the co-opting of member to fill the vacancy on Council to the next meeting.

Parish Councils' Association

The Clerk presented an account of the business done at their Annual meeting.

A/c

Mr TUCKER's account for repairs to Bridge was presented. Mr F. BROOKS and the Clerk reported that they had seen the work done and that same was satisfactory. It was agreed to meet the account and a Cheque for £10 was drawn in payment of a/c.

Paths

Mr HOOKE reported that the path leading to Paulton needed some attention and the Clerk was instructed to get the necessary work done.

The attention of the Council was drawn to the obstruction to the path leading to Brick Yard and the Clerk was asked to see Mr PIKE re the matter.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 11/9/47.

Sep. 11th 1947

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, F. HATHWAY, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the work on the Paulton path had been completed, also that the obstruction to path through Brickyard had been removed.

Correspondence

The Clerk presented a letter from the County Parish Councils' Association, giving notice of a meeting, to be held at Keynsham on Sep. 26th, and Mr HOOKE, Mr F. BROOKS and Clerk agreed to attend.

A further letter from the Association, giving notice of a meeting in London, was read and, on the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by Mr F. BROOKS, it was agreed that we be not represented.

Co-opted member *[this item added later in pencil]*

Mr R. SAGE was agreed to(o).

Other Matters

Mr HATHWAY reported that sewage Tanks at new Bungalows were still uncovered and Mr F. BROOKS agreed to bring the matter to the notice of Mr SHAW.

Mr HATHWAY brought forward the question of extending electric supply to the Farm occupied by Mr NORRIS; after some discussion, it was agreed that this was a matter between Mr NORRIS and the North Somerset Electric Supply Co.

[Signed] F.J. HOOK[E], 6/11/47.

Nov. 6th 1947

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS, W. BARNES, F. HATHWAY and R. SAGE.

The Chairman Capt. W.B. SCOBELL sent an apology for his absence, also C. BOLWELL.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

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Matters Arising

Mr F. BROOKS and Mr F. HOOKE, delegates to the Somerset Parish Councils' Association meeting at Keynsham, gave a report on the business done; both were thanked for their report.

Housing

A lengthy discussion arose over the letting of new Council Houses and Mr BROOKS was requested to use his influence to get the houses let to High Littleton applicants.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 5.2.47 [48].

Feb. 5th '48

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, R. SAGE.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

On the question of Council Houses, Mr F. BROOKS gave a detailed account of the way in which the tenants for new houses were selected.

Precept

It was agreed that a precept for £25, to meet current expenses, be signed.

Road

The Clerk reported that he had been approached by the owners of property in Langford's Lane, asking if the Council would bring the question of repairing the part of the lane by their houses to the notice of the Authorities. Mr BROOKS reported that this had already been done by the owners of the property.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 4.3.48.

March 4th '48

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, F. HATHWAY, R. SAGE.

Minutes

These were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

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Correspondence

Letter was read from the Parish Councils' Asso.

A/c

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year, which were accepted, on the motion of Mr BROOKS, seconded by C. BOLWELL.

Lighting

The question of Street lighting was discussed at length and the Clerk was instructed to write the Electric Co., asking what was the present position regarding prices and the possibility of getting the work carried out.

Paths

Mr SAGE drew the attention of Council to the state of a path at the bottom of Steven's Hill and the Clerk was instructed to Write Mr FILER on the matter.

Housing

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK, asking what steps, if any, were being taken to secure land for further houses.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 1.4.48.

April 1st 1948

Meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, R. SAGE.

Letter of apology was read from Capt. W.B. SCOBELL.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk read a letter from the North Somerset Electric Co., re the Lighting of the Parish.

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Correspondence

A letter was read from the Clutton Parish Council, re collections at Greyfield and, after some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to reply, stating that the High Littleton Council had never made a collection from Greyfield for Parish matters.

A letter was read from the District Council, Re the Lord Mayor's Fund for Children, and it was agreed that same should be brought before the Annual Parish Meeting.

Annual Meeting

The date of the Annual Parish meeting was fixed for April 14th at 7 o'clock.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 3.6.48.

April 14th '48

Annual Parish meeting held on above date.

Capt. SCOBELL presiding, there were 12 electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Matters Arising

The housing question was discussed at some length and, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, it was agreed that District Council be asked to try and secure some of the prefabs, now being used as show houses, for use in the Parish and neighbourhood.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year; same were accepted as read.

Mary JONES' Charity

List of recipients for the year 1947 was read and agreed to(o).

School Manager's report

Mr HOOKE gave a report dealing with the position of the school as a church school and, after a lengthy discussion, the report was accepted and Mr HOOKE thanked for same.

Lord Mayor's Appeal

Letter was read re this appeal and, after some discussion, it was agreed to write the various bodies in the village, asking for their co-operation.

Lighting

The Clerk read a letter from the Electric Light Co. and, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, it was agreed that the Parish Council be asked to keep a careful watch on the position, with a view to getting the Parish lighted.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Apl. 25th 1949.

June 3rd '48

Meeting of Council held on above date.

Members Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, R. SAGE.

Minutes

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the Lord Mayor's appeal for Children had been dealt with at the Annual Parish meeting and arrangements made for the Village scheme, which he understood was making good progress.

Meeting of P.C. Association

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL and Mr F. HOOKE were appointed to attend a meeting of the Parish Council[s'] Association, to be held in Bristol on June the 10th.

Stamp Machine

Mr BOLWELL brought forward the need of a stamp machine in the village and it was agreed that Clerk should write the Post Master of Bristol re same.

Paths

Mr HOOKE brought forward the need for attention to Path leading to Paulton and the Clerk was requested to deal with the matter.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, July 1st '48.

July 1st '48

Council meeting held on above date.

Members Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, B. FRICKER, F. HATHWAY, R. SAGE, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL, F. BROOKS.

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Minutes

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that, so far, he had heard nothing in regard to Stamp Machine.

Path

The Clerk reported that the work on path to Paulton had been completed.

Parish C. Association

Mr HOOKE gave a report on the business done at the recent meeting of the Parish Councils' Association, held in Bristol and attended by Capt. W.B. SCOBELL and himself. Mr HOOKE moved a resolution that a letter be written the Association, asking if anything could be done re the rating of recreation fields.

Fee

A Cheque for the sum of £2. 0. 0 was signed, being the Council's Annual Subscription to the Association.

Allotments

On the motion of Mr HOOKE, seconded by B. FRICKER, *[it was agreed that]* Mr HATHWAY and Mr SAGE be Com., to deal with the necessary repairs to the Allotment Fence at Hallatrow.

Dangerous Corner

Mr HOOKE drew the attention of Council to the dangerous corner at the Batch and Mr BROOKS was requested to Bring the matter to the notice of the District Council.

30 Miles *[per Hour]* Sign

Mr BROOKS was also requested to bring the question of bringing the 30 miles an hour sign a little further up the Hill, to cover the entrance to Council Houses.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 9/9/48.

Sep. 9th '48

Council meeting held on above date.

Members Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, C. BOLWELL, M. BROOKS, W. BARNES, F. HATHWAY, F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS.

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr HATHWAY reported that repairs to the fence at Hallatrow allotments had been completed and that Mr R. FORD had offered to attend to fence for an annual fee of [2. 0. 0 *inserted in pencil*]; the Council agreed to accept Mr FORD's offer.

Mr HATHWAY reported on the state of gateway into the allotments, caused by the raising of the road level and Mr F. BROOKS was requested to get information as to the responsibility for putting same into working condition.

Correspondence

Various letters were read by the Clerk and Mr BOLWELL and Mr BARNES were elected as representatives to the meeting of the County Parish Councils' Association, to be held on Oct. 6th.

Paths

Mr HATHWAY reported that he had been unable to get the work, on path at Hallatrow, done up to date; it was agreed to let Mr HATHWAY continue with the arrangements for work on the path.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 11.10.48.

Oct 11th 1948

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr M. BROOKS, seconded by F. BROOKS, that the Minute re Hallatrow allotment be re/s]cinded.

Mr BARNES moved and Mr BOLWELL seconded, that a letter be written to the County Parish Council/s'] Association Secretary, asking what the legal position was in respect to fence around the allotment.

Delegates' Report

Mr BOLWELL gave a detailed report on the business done at the County Association's meeting held in Bristol on June *[October]* 6th.

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Paths

It was agreed to have the necessary work done on path at Hallatrow but that the price should be given before the commencement of work.

The Clerk was instructed to get the necessary work done on the path leading to Paulton.

[Unsigned] W. SCOBELL, 8/12/48.

Dec. 8th '48

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. BROOKS, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES.

Minutes

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the work on Path to Paulton had been completed.

Hallatrow Path

After some discussion it was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance.

Correspondence

A Letter was read from Mr HAMBLIN, re the hedge at Hallatrow allotments; it was agreed that Mr HOOKE should consult Mr STYLES on the matter and that Clerk should reply to Mr HAMBLIN.

A Letter was read from Mr H. TUCKER, re the placing of a pillar box on the batch; it was discussed at some length and it was agreed that letter in reply be sent Mr TUCKER.

Paths

A letter was read, re the danger of cycling on paths, other than those a/d/joining the High Road and Mr BROOKS was requested to notify Mr BARWICK of the dangerous manner in which the path, leading to the Recreation Field and the dring on the batch, was used in that way.

Dangerous Corner

Mr BROOKS reported that the question of the dangerous corner on the Batch was under consideration and that he had met Mr HAMBLIN on the spot in question.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Feb. 9 '49.

Feb. 9th 1949

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS, M. BROOKS, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, B. FRICKER.

Minutes

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr HOOKE reported that he had interviewed Mr STYLES, re the allotment hedge at Hallatrow and Mr STYLES had refused to consider the matter until(l) he had consulted his Solicitor. After some discussion it was agreed, on the Motion of Mr M. BROOKS, that Clerk notify tenants that the obligation to keep hedge cut is their's.

Paths

Mr F. BROOKS reported that he had given the facts of the path, leading from the Recreation Field to the road, to the Authorities and that it would come under the new law regulating such paths.

Prece/p/t

It was agreed to draw precept for £25 and the same was duly signed.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 10/3/49.

March 9th 1949

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, R. SAGE, F. HATHWAY.

Minutes

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had seen tenants of allotments re cutting of hedge and he was told that some had al(l)ready begun to trim same.

Correspondence

Letter was read re conveyance of persons to Hospital and asking for names of any persons in the village able to do the necessary journey. The Clerk was instructed to submit the names of Mr A. CARTER and Mr T. CURTIS.

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Dangerous Wall

Mr HATHWAY brought up the dangerous state of the wall, by bus stop at Hallatrow and Mr BROOKS was asked to bring the matter to the notice of Mr HAMBLIN.

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and, on the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr BARNES, same were accepted and cheques drawn to cover same.

Annual Meeting

The Clerk was instructed to call meeting on date corresponding with previous meetings.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 23/5/49.

April 25th 1949

[Annual] Parish meeting held on above date, Capt. SCOBELL presiding, there were 12 electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of the last Annual meeting were read by the Clerk and agreed to(o).

Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year and these were agreed to(o).

Mary JONES' Charity

It was moved that the names of recipients of the Charity should not be read and the motion was unanimous[ly] agreed to(o).

School Manager's report

Mr HOOK[E] gave his annual report on the work of the schools during the year and same was accepted with Thanks.

Other bus/i/ness

Mr JAMES drew the attention of the meeting to the danger to children in Greyfield Wood, due to an old pit being partly uncovered and the Clerk was asked to write Mr SHEPPARD, drawing his attention to the matter.

Lighting

The question of the lighting of the village was discussed and the Clerk was asked to bring the matter to the notice of the new Council at their first meeting.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Apl. 13th 1950.

May 23rd '49

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BELSHER j'nr, F. BELSHER sen'r, B. BRICE, G. MAULE.

Chairman

Capt. SCOBELL was unanimously elected as Chairman for ensuing year.

Vice Chairman

Mr F. HOOKE was elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

School Manager

Mr F. HOOKE was elected as School Manager.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Playing Fields

Letter was read from the Playing Fields Association and, after some discussion, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr BELSHER, that same lie on Table.

Election Expenses

The Chairman produced a letter from Mr BARWICK, re expenses for recent election of Council and, after some discussion, it was agreed to forward said forms, duly signed, to Mr BARWICK.

Paths

The state of path, leading from Hallatrow toward the Greyfield woods, was discussed and it was agreed that a deputation, consisting of Mr HOOKE, Mr MAULE and the Clerk, should visit same and report to next meeting.

Bridge at Hallatrow

The state of the Bridge across stream at Steven's hill was discussed and, as the responsibility for any repairs is a joint responsibility between High Littleton and Clutton Councils, the Clerk was instructed to write the Clutton Council on the matter.

Bus Service

Mr BELSHER moved that the Bath Tramway Co. be asked if they could continue the journey of the Bus, leaving Bath at 6.5 p.m., to High Littleton.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 27/6/49.

June 27th '49

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, B. BRICE, F. BELSHER jn'r.

Minutes

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the deputation, appointed to inspect path at Hallatrow, had seen same and had got the necessary work completed.

Correspondence

Letter from Clutton Parish Council was read, asking if we had any idea as to the cost of repairing Bridge at Longlands. It was agreed that Clerk write the Clutton Council, asking if they could appoint a deputation to meet deputation from our Council on the spot, so that they could come to an agreement on necessary repairs and probable cost.

Letter(s) was read from the Cancer research Com., also from the Youth employment Society and it was agreed that Clerk should see Mr J. BRICE re both matters.

Letter was read from Mr BARWICK, re Telephone Kiosk and it was agreed that same be replied to(o), stating that, in the opinion of the Council, further Kiosks were unnecessary at the present.

County P.C. Association

It was agreed to continue our membership and Clerk was instructed to forward annual Contribution.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 8/8/49.

Aug. 8th '49

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER, F. BELSHER jn'r, B. BRICE, C. BOLWELL, G. MAULE, F. BROOKS.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the Clutton Parish Council re bridge at Steven's Hill and the Clerk was instructed to write, stating Council's willingness to consult County Council on the matter.

Letter was read from Somerset Rural Community Council and, on the motion of Mr F. BELSHER, seconded by F. HOOKE, it was agreed to become members of the Association.

Letter from Somerset County Parish Councils Association, including Balance sheet, was read.

Letter re Town and Country Planning Act was read and the Clerk and Chairman was requested to reply to same.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 12.9.49.

Sep. 12th '49

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, B. BRICE, F. BELSHER jn'r, F. BELSHER, G. MAULE.

Capt. SCOBELL sent an apology through illness.

Business /Minutes/

The minutes of Previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letter was read from Clutton Parish Clerk, stating that his Council were in touch with the County Council re Longlands Bridge.

Letter was read from the Somerset Parish Councils' Association, giving date of their next meeting and Mr F. BROOKS was appointed to attend same.

Letter was read from County re National Council of Parish Councils, re expenses of delegates; it was agreed that we be not represented at next meeting.

Accounts

Account from Mr BARWICK, for Council's share of Council elections, was presented and Cheque for £4.10. 9, in settlement of same, was signed.

Sewage

Mr F. BELSHER reported on the state of sewer opposite Wesleyan Chapel and Clerk was instructed to write Mr SHAW on the matter.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Nov. 14 '49.

Nov. 14th '49

Meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER jn'r, B. BRICE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER sen.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

A Letter [*was received*] from the Clutton Council, re repairs to Bridge; it stated that the County Council were prepared to share the expense with Clutton and High Littleton Councils and, after some discussion, it was agreed that letter be wrote to Clutton, stating our willingness to agree to the offer.

Delegate's Report

Mr F. BROOKS gave a report on his visit to Parish Councils' Association meeting and he was thanked for same.

A Letter was read from Mr KING, the County Sec., re the cost of elections; a long discussion followed but no resolution was moved.

A Letter was received from Mr G. PYE, re the state of the road drains at Rotcom[b]e and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN on the matter.

A Cheque for £3.12. 9 was signed for the Clerk, to cover expenses he had met to date.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 12.12.49.

Dec 12th '49

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER sen., W. BARNES, F. BELSHER jn'r, G. MAULE, C. BOLWELL, F. BROOKS.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that sewer complained of at Rotcombe had been attended to(o).

Drains

Considerable discussion over the continuing nuseance (*sic*), due to the stop[p]ing of the drain opposite the Wesleyan Chapel, took place and, on the motion of F. BELSHER Sen., it was agreed that letter be written Mr SHAW, asking that something should be done to stop the continuing .

County Representatives

Mr F. BROOKS and Mr F. BELSHER jn'r were appointed to represent Council at the County meeting of Parish Council[s], to be held on Jan. 5th.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 16.1.50.

Jan 16th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER sen., W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL, F. BELSHER jn'r, B. BRICE, G. MAULE.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Mr SHAW, stating that the question of the drain opposite Wesleyan Chapel was being dealt with.

County

Mr F. BELSHER gave a very interesting report on the business done at the County meeting and he was thanked for same.

Correspondence

Letter was read from the Sailors aid Society and it was agreed that Mr BELSHER should see Mrs M. MOODY re collection.

The Clerk reported that he had replied to Mr KING, re holding of Political meetings.

Wall at Hallatrow

The Clerk was instructed to Write Mr BARWICK, re the dangerous state of wall at Hallatrow.

On the motion of Mr BOLWELL, seconded by Mr BELSHER, the Clerk was instructed to write the North Somerset Electric Co. re the lighting of the Village.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 6.3.50.

Mar. 6th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, B. BRICE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER sen., F. BELSHER jn'r.

Min.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Lighting

The Clerk was instructed to write the Electricity Co'y, re lighting of the Village and it was resolved to place the matter on the agenda of the annual Parish meeting.

Sailors Collection

Mr F. BELSHER reported that he had interviewed Mrs MOODY as requested but had got no satisfactory answer.

Playing Fields

The matter of playing fields was allowed to be held over.

Precept

A Precept for the sum of £30 was agreed upon.

Langford's Lane

A long discussion arose over the state of this lane, where used at present and also the question of whether the top part was part of the highway or not, and it was resolved that the map should be viewed, to decide same.

District Nursing

Mr HOOKE gave a detailed report on the question of the District Nursing and was thanked for same.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 3/4/50.

Apl. 3rd 1950

Meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER jn'r, C. BOLWELL, F. BROOKS, G. MAULE, B. BRICE.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk read a letter from the South Western Electricity Board, re supply of light for the Parish; after some discussion, it was agreed that the matter should be laid before the Annual Parish meeting; the Clerk was requested, in the meantime, to try and get from Timsbury the cost per lamp of their scheme.

Langford's Lane

Mr MARCHANT, on behalf of the residents in Langford's lane, requested the Council to try and get the Authorities to do some very necessary repairs to the lane.

Housing

The Clerk was instructed to write the Urban Council, re the purchase of land for further houses.

Date of Annual P. Meeting

It was agreed that the date of Annual Parish meeting be fixed for Thursday Apl. 13th at 7.0 p.m.

A/cs

The Clerk presented the year's accounts, which were accepted.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, May 22nd '50.

April 13th '50

Annual Parish Meeting held on above date.

Capt.W.B. SCOBELL presiding. There were 20 electors present.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk presented the a/cs for this charity and, after some discussion, it was agreed that Trustees should continue to use their discretion as to recipients of charity.

School Manager's report

Mr HOOKE gave detailed report of the work done in the school during the year and was thanked for same.

Some discussion arose over the conveying of children to the Timsbury School and it was agreed that letter be written to the authorities re Bus service for conveyance.

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Lighting of Parish

The Chairman read a letter from the Electric Company, setting out the costs per lamp of the scheme and, after a long discussion, it was agreed that we should try and arrange a joint meeting of representatives with the Farmborough and Clutton Councils.

Cemetery

The condition of the cemetery was discussed at some length and it was agreed that, on the arrival of new Vicar, the Clerk should write him on the matter.

Drains

The state of the drain on the Batch, also the one through Brickyard, was discussed and the Clerk instructed to write Mr SHAW, calling his attention to same.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 16/4/51.

May 20th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER sen'r, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER jn'r, B. BRICE.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters arising

Mr HOOKE reported that he had visited Langford's lane, re Mr MARCHANT's complaint and could see no reason for the complaint.

Correspondence

Letters were read from Mr LEATHER, M.P. and also from Mr DEACON, re conveying of children to the Timsbury School. The Clerk reported he had replied to Mr LEATHER, pointing out that the matter had already been dealt with at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Playing Fields

Letter was read from Mr BARWICK, re playing fields, stating that the sum of £16 had been fixed for the parish of High Littleton and it was agreed that Mr F. BELSHER Sen'r and Mr F. BROOKS should interview other bodies in the Parish on the matter.

Housing Site

Mr F. BROOKS gave a report on the visit of the Officials to the proposed building site.

Roads

Mr MAULE raised the question of the state of the main road through the Village and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr SHAW on the matter.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 26.6.50.

June 26th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BROOKS, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER.

Minutes

[Minutes] of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

A discussion on the conveying of school children took place but no resolution was moved.

Correspondence

A Letter was read from Mr LEATHER, re the conveyance of children, also a copy of letter that Mr LEATHER has sent to Mr F. GOULD, the County Councillor for this area, on the matter.

Parish Council/s' Association

Mr F. BROOKS and Mr F. BELCHER jn'r were asked to attend the next meeting.

A letter from Farmborough Parish Council was read and Mr C. BOLWELL and Mr G. MAULE were appointed to attend.

Rugborne Farm

A letter was read from Mr JONES of Swindon, re the erection of a sign pointing out the way to Rugborne Farm, in view of the fact that this was the place, where [William SMITH] the father of Geology lived for about four years and where his book on Geology was written; the Clerk was asked to find out what power the Council had in this matter.

State of wall at Hallatrow

The Clerk was instructed to call the attention of Mr HAMBLIN to the dangerous state of this wall.

Mr BELSHER reported that he had consulted Mr J. BRICE, re the raising of money for children's playing fields and Mr BRICE had agreed to help.

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Postal Clearing

The Clerk was instructed to write the Post Master of Bristol, re a later collection of letters and also the erection of a post box at the Batch.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 31.7.50.

July 31st '50

Council Meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER jn'r.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

It was reported that the overhanging fence, on the wall by the bus stop at Hallatrow, had been cut but, so far, no action had been taken with the wall.

Co/r/ner at the Batch

It was reported that the District Council were dealing with the question of the dangerous corner at the Batch and it was agreed that Mr BOLWELL and Mr F. HOOKE should see Messrs JAMES re the matter

Path to Paulton

Mr HOOKE stated that this path was in a bad condition and, on his motion, seconded by Mr BARNES, the Clerk was instructed to get the work carried out.

Three Corner Piece

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK, to try and find out whose was the responsibility for the upkeep of the walls around the three corner piece.

Drain

Mr F. BELSHER drew attention to the state of drain on the Batch and the Clerk was asked to see Mr EVANS re the matter.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 4/9/50.

Sep. 4th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, B. BRICE, G. MAULE, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER sen'r.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr HOOKE reported that he and Mr BOLWELL had seen Mr JAMES, re dangerous corner at the Batch and that the matter was now being dealt with by the District Council.

Paths

The Clerk reported that the work on path leading to Paulton had been carried out.

Town & Country Planning

The Clerk submitted various maps of the District, re Paths in the Parish and connecting with Paths in neighbouring Parish/e/s; after a long discussion, it was agreed that matter be a/d/journed for the present.

Playing Fields Asso.

It was agreed to pay the Annual Subscription of 10/- to the Association.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 9 Oct. 1950.

Oct. 9th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Cap. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, B. BRICE, F. BELSHER sen.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Matters Arising

The question of playing fields was discussed at some length and it was decided to forward our annual subscription.

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Paths

The state of path leading to recreation field was brought up and a letter from Mr BRICE and Mr POLLARD was read; after some discussion, it was agreed to ask Mr BRICE and Mr POLLARD, together with two representatives of the working men's Club, to meet Council on the matter.

Parish C. Association

It was agreed, after some discussion, to resign from the Association.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr LEATHER, re the conveyance of school children.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 4.12.50.

Dec. 4th '50

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BELSHER jn'r, G. MAULE.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Path repairs

The Clerk reported that, so far, he had heard nothing from Mr BARWICK, re repairs to Path but he knew that a representative of the District Council had been to see the path in question.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr BARWICK, asking that the nos. on map of the paths in question should be sent him and the Clerk was instructed to forward same.

Schools

Mr HOOKE reported that the County Council had now taken over the School at High Littleton but could not tell how the managers would in future be elected.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 19.2.51.

Feb. 19th '51

Parish Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER sen'r, F. BELSHER jn'r, G. MAULE, B. BRICE.

Capt. SCOBELL was away on account of illness.

Min.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that the District Council had not agreed to take any action in respect to the repair of Path a/d/joining the Council Houses and leading to the recreation field. Mr BELSHER sen. moved that the business lie on the table; the motion was carried.

Precept

It was agreed that a Precept for the sum of £25 be drawn.

School Managers

Mr HOOKE reported that the Council would now have to elect two members to the management Com. of the School and it was agreed to nominate Mr F. HOOKE and Mr B. BRICE.

Civil Defence

A Long discussion on this matter took place and it was eventually agreed that Mr F. BROOKS should ask Mr BARWICK for further information.

Roads

Mr BRICE called attention to the state of the roads and it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk should write Mr HAMBLIN on the matter.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 12.3.51.

Mar. 12 /1951/

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER jn'r, B. BRICE, G. MAULE.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from the Road Authority, in reply to Council's letter re the state of Vil/l/age Rds. In their letter they stated that the matter should receive attention.

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Date of Annual meeting

To be between April 9th and 12th.

Cemetery

On the motion of Mr BRICE, seconded by Mr BROOKS, it was agreed that Clerk should see the Vicar re the matter.

Lighting

A Long discussion on this matter took place and it was eventually agreed to view the district, with the view of seeing what number of lights would be required. The Clerk was asked to See if Mr SCOBELL would undertake to ascertain from Timsbury the Probable cost of maintenance.

Paths

Mr MAULE raised the question of the path leading from Mearns to Amesbury and it was agreed that Mr MAULE and Mr BRICE should inspect same.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 9/7/51.

April 16th 1951

[Annual] Parish meeting held on above date.

Capt.W.B. SCOBELL presiding. There were 20 electors present.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk read the list of recipients for 1950 and same was accepted.

School Manager's report

Mr HOOKE gave the report for the year and was unanimously thanked for same.

Parish Lighting

Capt. SCOBELL gave a detailed account of the steps taken by the Parish Council re lighting of the Parish and, after a long discussion, it was agreed that a special meeting should be called to deal with the question.

Housing

Mr F. BROOKS, in reply to questions, gave a detailed account of the housing position.

Bus Shel[t]er

Mr MOODY raised the question of providing bus shel[t]ers in the village; no definite decision was arrived at.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Mar. 24th 1952.

July 9th '51

Council meeting held on above date.

F. HOOKE Presiding. All members present except W. SCOBELL.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to.

Path at Mearns

Mr BRICE reported that the path at Mearns had been examined and it was agreed that Clerk should write Capt. SCOBELL & Mr HAMBLIN, re the state of the ditch, which caused the damage to Path.

Drains

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr SHAW, re the drain by Wesleyan Chapel and request him to Meet a deputation from the Council on the spot; Mr SHAW to fix time.

Lighting

A Letter was received from Capt. SCOBELL, stating that, up to date, no further information had been received from the Electric Company.

Timsbury School

It was agreed, after a long discussion, that this matter should be brought before Council at their next meeting.

Path to Pau[l]ton

It was agreed that this path should be put in order and the Clerk was instructed to see Mr BO[U]LTON re necessary work.

Dangerous Corner at Batch

Considerable discussion on this matter took place and it was agreed that Clerk should see Capt. SCOBELL and request him to put the matter before Mr F. GOULD, Mr RUDDICK and Mr LLEWELLEN, members of the County Council.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 20/8/51.

Aug. 20th '51

Council meeting held on above date.

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Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, B. BRICE, F. BELSHER sen., F. BELSHER jn'r, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, G. MAULE.

Min.

The Min. of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Sewer

The Clerk reported that, so far, he had rece*/i*ved no reply from Mr SHAW to his letter, asking him to meet some members of the Council on the site of the drain complained of; the Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK, asking him to use his influence with Mr SHAW, to get him to meet delegates.

Paths

Mr HOOKE reported that a path at Bungays hill had been stop*/p*ed by the present Tenant and Mr HOOKE, Mr BELSHER Sen'r and Clerk was requested to visit the Path and also to interview the tenant.

The Clerk was asked to interview the Vicar, re cutting of Brambles hanging over the wall opposite the Cemetery.

Path at Hallatrow

Mr HOOKE reported that the Path, leading from Hallatrow toward Greyfield Wood, was in a very bad condition and the Clerk was instructed to see Mr SAGE, with a view to getting same remedied.

Electric Lighting

Capt. SCOBELL read a reply from the Electric Co., re lighting of Village and, after a long discussion, the Chairman and Clerk were requested to try and get further information on the subject.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 24th Sept. 1951.

Sep. 24th '51

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, B. BRICE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER sen., F. BELSHER jn'r, F. BROOKS.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Matters arising

Capt. SCOBELL reported that he had seen Mr HAMBLIN, re the state of road at Mearns and that considerable improvements had been made. Capt. SCOBELL was asked to further interview Mr HAMBLIN re tar*/r*ing surface of road at Mearns.

Path through Field

It was agreed that the path through field at Mearns be left until(l) council could see what effect the repairs at Mearns had on the water running down said Path.

Lighting

A long discussion on this question took place after Capt. SCOBELL had read a letter from Mr BARWICK, re loan to meet costs of scheme, if adop*/t*ed; it was left to Capt. SCOBELL to obtain further information on the question.

Stamp Machine

Mr BELSHER Sen'r moved that we apply for a stamp machine for the Village.

Dangerous Corner

The Clerk reported that Mr DANDO had approached him re the erection of danger sign near his house and had expressed his willingness to erect same and maintain it, if given the necessary permission. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK on the matter.

The Clerk was asked to see Mr WORKMAN, re smells at his garden and also Mr JAMES, re overhanging thorns at Batch corner.

Mr HOOKE reported that work on Path at Hallatrow had been satisfactorily done, and it was agreed to meet cost of same, and Clerk was instructed to pay Mr SAGE the sum of three Pounds, for work done on said Path.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, Nov. 12 '51.

Nov. 12th '51

Council Meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, B. BRICE, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER Sen'r, F. BELSHER jn'r.

Min.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

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Paths

It was reported that the path at Mearns had been considerably damaged by water from the hill and it was suggested that we try to get pipe, that takes water, through before gate path cleaned out and the water, if possible, taken down the field further, so as to prevent damage to path.

Mr BELSHER Sen'r reported that path, through field at the bottom of Gooseherd, had been ploughed up; there was considerable discussion but no resolution was taken.

Dangerous Corner

The Clerk reported that the matter of erection of sign promised by Mr DANDO, on the corner by his house, had been taken up by the road authority.

[Signed] W. SCOBELL, 11 Feb. 1952.

Feb. 11th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

Capt. W.B. SCOBELL, F. HOOKE, F. BELSHER sen'r, W. BARNES, C. BOLWELL.

Min.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Arising from min. - condition of Paths

The paths at Gooseherd, that had been ploughed up, and the one at Bungays hill, were discussed and Mr F. HOOKE and F. BELSHER agreed to inspect same, to see their present condition.

Precept

It was agreed to sign Precept for £25.

Path

Mr BELSHER and Capt. SCOBELL agreed to visit Path at Mearns.

Correspondence

The Clerk was instructed to write Mid. Norton Carnival Com., in reply to their letter.

[Signed] F.J. HOOKE, 10/3/52.

March 10th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

F. HOOKE, C. BOLWELL, W. BARNES, F. BROOKS, F. BELSHER Sen., B. BRICE, G. MAULE, F. BELSHER jn'r.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Matters Arising

Mr HOOKE reported that he, in company with Mr BELSHER sen., had visited the path at Bungays Hill and also the one at the bottom of Gooseherd and both were in order, except that some barbed wire had been put across the stile at the bottom of long ground. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr FILER on this matter.

Mr BELSHER then reported on the path at Mearns and, after a long discussion, it was agreed that the Council memb[er]s should meet on the Path, on Monday Mar. 16th at 6.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish meeting in the Schoolroom on Monday Mar. 16th at 7 p.m. [actually held on Mar 24th].

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [May 26th 1952].

March 24th '52

[Annual] Parish Meeting held on above date, Capt. SCOBELL presiding.

The Chairman, in opening the meeting, said the Clerk, having met with an accident, would be unable to attend and Mr F. HOOKE acted as Clerk for the occasion.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Matters arising

Mrs MOODY moved that, the question of acqui[i]ring sites for bus shelters having failed, the District Council be written to(o), asking if permission could be granted for shelters to be erected on the pavements; Mr BELSHER Sen. moved that another Parish meeting should be held to discuss the matter, when the necessary information had been received; both resolutions were carried.

Mary JONES' Charity

It was agreed that the names of recipients of same be not read.

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School report

Mr HOOKE gave the school report and spoke of the improvements that had been made (with) in connection with the Sanitary arrangements and the lighting during the year. Mr HOOKE was thanked for his report.

Council Houses

A strong feeling was expressed at the long delay in providing these and Mr BELSHER moved that letter on the matter be sent to District Council.

Dangerous Corner

Strong feeling was expressed at the delay in dealing with the dangerous corner at the Batch and it was agreed that letter be written to the C.C. asking them to take immediate action to reduce the danger there.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, April 13th 1953.

May 26th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

H.J. BRICE, A.J. MAGGS, M. WRIGHT, A. GORE, S. HOWE, M. BROOKS, C. SHEARN, A. EVANS, T. HARRIS.

Chairman

H.J. BRICE was elected Chairman.

Vice [Chairman]

Mrs WRIGHT was elected Vice Chairman.

Min.

The minutes of Previous meeting read and accepted.

Forms of Office acceptance were signed.

Date of meeting

It was agreed to hold Council meetings on the first Monday of the month.

Path at Mearns

Mr BRICE stated the position re path at Mearns and the Council agreed to meet there on June 7th at 6.30 to inspect same.

Bus Shelters

Mr GORE moved that Bus shelter be erected at Hallatrow and that Mr BLINMAN be asked if he would agree to a shelter being put up in the corner by Mr DOWLING's House.

It was agreed that Bus Co. be written to, asking to be put on their list for subscription.

Bridge Repairs

It was agreed to join with Paulton P.C. in repairs to Bridge over the Cam.

Letter box

It was agreed to Write the Post Master, asking for a letter box to be placed at White Cross.

Street Cleaning

Letter to be written Mr HAMBLIN, re Street Cleaning.

Refuse

Letter to Mr BARWICK, re the throwing of refuse into Path leading to Recreation field.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, July 28th 1952.

June 30th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members of Council were present, Mr BRICE presiding.

The minutes of previous meeting were not read, as minute book was at the Auditor's meeting.

Paths

Mr BRICE reported that path at Mearns had been completed by Mr EVANS and, on the motion of Mr SHEARN, Mr EVANS was thanked by Council.

The Clerk was instructed to see Mr BO/U/LTON, re path at the Batch.

Path at Bungays Hill – there was some discussion over this path but no decision was arrived at.

School Managers

Mr BRICE and Mr A. MAGGS were appointed School Managers for the High Littleton School.

Bus Shelter

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK, re the proposed site for Bus Shelter at Hallatrow.

Dangerous Corner

The dangerous Corner at the Batch was considered and Mr MAGGS agreed to interview Mr HAMBLIN on the question of this corner.

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Bus Service

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Bus Co., re the introduction of a bus service from the Village to Wells.

Clerk's Salary

On the motion of Mr GORE, it was unanimously agreed to increase salary by £2.10/- per annum.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, July 28th 1952.

July 29th [28th intended] '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members of Council, Mr BRICE presiding.

Minutes

The Minutes of the two previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Paths

It was proposed by Mr HARRIS, seconded by Mr BROOKS, that Clerk write the C.C., asking them to erect a sign at Bungays Hill, pointing out the path leading to Amesbury & Mearns.

Mr EVANS, Mr GORE and Mr SHEARN were appointed as deputation to supervise work on Path at Mearns [at Batch Corner - added later in pencil].

It was agreed that the C.C. be written to(o), asking them to carry out repairs to the two Bridges over the stream at the Bottom of fields from Rotcombe, to the paths leading through Long Ground and the field leading up past the farm.

Stamp Machine

The Clerk was instructed to write the Bristol P.M., re the erection of Stamp Machine for the Village.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN, re the dangerous state of the Footpath outside Mr BRETT's shop. [this minute should be under Paths]

Bus Shelters

It was agreed that shelter should be erected at Hallatrow and that Clerk write the trustees of the Wesleyan Chapel, asking their permission to erect one on their property at High Littleton.

Mr MAGGS' Garden

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr BARWICK on the State of this garden, due to water leakage

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 1 Sept. 1952.

Sep. 1st '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Batch Corner

Mr SHEARN reported on Batch Corner and, after a full discussion, it was agreed that the County Council be again written to on the matter; it was also agreed that a deputation should be appointed to meet Mr HAMBLIN on the corner.

Bus Shelters

Letters were read from the Georges Brewery Co. and also from the trustees of Wesleyan Chapel, both declining to sell land for the purpose of erecting bus shelters.

Mr EVANS reported that he had seen Mr HAMBLIN re bus she[l]ters and he was requested to deal further with the matter.

A Letter was read from Messrs JAMES, Re Bus service to various Sea Side resorts and it was agreed to support same.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [Oct. 6th 1952].

Oct. 6th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members, Mr BRICE presiding.

The Min. of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Dangerous Corner

Mr SHEARN read a letter he had received from the C.C., re the dangerous corner. A letter was also read by Mr GORE, that he had received from Cap. SCOBELL, re same corner. Mr MAGGS moved and Mr EVANS seconded, that a letter be written to Mr HAMBLIN on the matter, asking him to meet a deputation of Council on the corner.

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Bus Shelters

Discussion arose over the proposed shelter at Hallatrow; a proposition was moved by Mr BROOKS, seconded by Mr HARRIS, that a start be made to get money for shelters but, after a long discussion, this was pos[t]poned. Mr GORE moved that Mr HAMBLIN be approached, re position of bus shelter at Hallatrow.

Water at Cemetery

Mr GORE reported that this matter had been satisfactorily dealt with.

Housing

Mr GORE gave a report on the proposed lay out for new houses and stated that same was being pushed by District Council.

Coronation

Mr MAGGS moved that a meeting, to consider the action to be taken, should be called and that the various bodies in the village be asked to appoint representatives to same. Friday Oct. 24th was agreed upon as the date for said meeting.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 27th Oct. 1952.

Oct. 29th '52

Council meeting held on above date.

All members present. Mr BRICE presided.

Min.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Housing

Mr GORE gave a report on the position of the housing question, dealing particularly with the entrance to same. Mr SHEARN moved and Mr HARRIS seconded, that the Council still supported the Rotcom/b/e entrance to site but would welcome a walking way into site, through the present Brick Cottage path.

Batch Corner

Mr BRICE read a letter from Mr HAMBLIN re this corner and, after some discussion, the Clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN on the matter. Mr SHEARN read a letter from the Somerset Education authority, re the Corner.

Bus Shelter

Mr EVANS reported that the necessary permission to erect Shelters had been granted and it was agreed that Mr EVANS should proceed with the work.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 1.12/52.

Dec. 1st '52

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members, Mr MAGGS excepted. Mr BRICE Presided.

Min.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Housing

Mr GORE gave a report on the question of entry into the proposed housing estate and said the proposed entry from main Rd. had been agreed to(o).

Batch Corner

Some discussion arose over this and it was agreed that Mr HAMBLIN should be interviewed.

Bus Shelters

It was reported that the sum of £39. 1.10 *[altered in pencil from £35.12. 4]* had been collected towards the cost of same.

It was agreed that we should try and get the present bus stop at Hallatrow removed around the corner, onto the Paulton Rd.

Bus service to Wells - this matter was not proceeded with.

Scavenging

It was reported that a complaint had been received from Mr G. CLEAVES on this matter and Mr EVANS and Mr GORE were asked to deal with the matter. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr G. CLEAVES on the question of refuse collecting.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 5.1.53.

Jan. 5th '53

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members except Mrs WRIGHT.

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Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Bus Shelters

Great appreciation was shown at the response by the villagers generally, to the request for help towards funds for this purpose and the Clerk was requested to write Capt. W.B. SCOBELL for his gift of £15 toward same and also for his promise of further Contributions, when further shelters were completed. Mr EVANS reported that some progress had been made toward the erection of a shelter at Hallatrow; the site at Grange corner was satisfactory to the R.D.C.

Bridge over Stream at Rotcombe

Mr BROOKS reported having seen this bridge and stated that, in his opinion, it was far from satisfactory. Mr HOWE supported this and the Clerk was instructed to write the appropriate authority on the matter.

Housing

Mr GORE was asked if he could give the Council any information as to the present position of the housing question. Mr GORE replied that he thought the R.D.C. would be in a position to ask for tenders in the very near future.

Council's liability for Accidents

Mr MAGGS moved and Mr SHEARN seconded, that, in view of the very small outlay involved, *[this should be insured - or words to that effect omitted]*; this was unanimously accepted.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [2.2.53].

Feb. 2nd '53

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members except Mr HOWE, away through illness.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Bus Shelters

It was reported that the necessary permission had been received from the County Council, for the Bus shelter at Hallatrow and Mr EVANS was asked when he would be able to commence work on same. It was reported that the question of ground at Mr CLEAVES' had been turned down, due to opposition from Mr V. CLEAVES. Plans were received from S.C.C. for High Littleton Shelter and a fee of 10/- was paid for same, for stamp duties. Mr BRICE moved a vote of thanks to Mr EVANS, for his work in connection with the shelter and this was unanimously carried.

Insurance

A cheque for £1.10/- was drawn, to pay for policy for Council Insurance.

Mrs WRIGHT reported that the G.P.O. had refused her facilities for a time stamping of mail.

Roads

The state of Gooseherd Lane was discussed and, on the motion of Mr SHEARN, seconded by Mr GORE, the Clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN on the matter.

A letter from Mr MAULE, re the state of the footpath to Council houses, was read and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN on the matter.

Mary JONES' Charity

The trustees of this Charity were thanked for past services and were re-elected for a period of four years.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [2.3.53].

March 2nd 1953

Council meeting held on above date.

All members present.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Flood Relief Collection

Mr BRICE reported that the sum of £65 had been collected for same.

Mr MAGGS stated he had received a complaint, about the sewage overrunning the road at one point in Hallatrow and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr DRAKE on the matter.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Acting Chairman, [30.3.53].

March 30th '53

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members except Chairman and Vice Chairman.

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Mr GORE was elected Chairman for the meeting.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Finance

The Clerk presented the financial report for the year and same was unanimously agreed to(o).

Housing

Mr GORE gave a good report on the position regarding the housing programme; during the discussion the question of debts for rent was raised by Mr HOWE but it was agreed that the Council could take no action in the matter.

The Chairman, in his absence, was thanked for the way in which he had carried out his duties during the year.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, May 4th 1953.

April 13th 1953

[Annual] Parish meeting held on above date, Mr BRICE presiding.

The Chairman, in opening the meeting, refer/r/ed to the presence of the Clerk, who was commencing his 50 year in Connection with the Council.

He also referred to a visit he, in company with the Clerk, had paid to the Council at Temple Cloud, in order to view the proposed new Road but it was felt that, as this would probably be several years before anything was done, the matter was drop/p/ed.

Mary JONES' Charity

The Clerk read a list of recipients of this Charity.

District Counsellor's (sic) Report

Mr GORE gave a good report on the work of the District Council during the year and was thanked for same.

School Report

Mr BRICE pointed out that the management of the schools now by the County Council had made it very difficult to present anything in the nature of a report on same.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 13/4/54.

Add as follows:

Prop. that only audited accounts should be presented at annual parish meeting in future.

May 4th '53

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members except Mr SHEARN, Mr BRICE presiding.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Village Seats

The question of seats for the Village was suggested and Mr EVANS moved and Mr HOWE seconded, that the Council make an effort to secure some seats. The matter was discussed at some length and then, on an amendment, moved by Mr MAGGS, the matter was allowed to drop.

Mary JONES' Charity

This matter was discussed at some length and it was unanimously agreed that the matter remain in abeyance.

Drains

Mr GORE reported that he had spoken to the Sanitary inspector, re drains at the Batch.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr DRAKE, re the nuseance (sic) caused by overflowing drains at Hallatrow.

It was agreed that all correspondence should be brought to next meeting.

Bus Shelters

Mr BRICE spoke about the amount of cash in hand for bus shelters and it was agreed that Clerk write the Bus Co. re a subscription from them toward same.

[added in pencil] – The question of the state of the road at Council Houses was discussed.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, June 1st 1953.

June 1st 1953

Council meeting held on above date.

Present

All members present, Mr BRICE presiding.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Paths

Mr BRICE reported that he, with Mr GORE, had examined the paths as shown on Map and same was considered satisfactory.

Mr MAGGS was asked to supply po/i/sin for path at the Batch and to apply same.

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Considerable time was spent on the question of paths and the Council was divided, so as all districts could be visited.

Housing

Mr GORE reported on the housing question and stated that he hoped same would be satisfactorily settled in the very near future.

Mr SHEARN was elected to take over the duties of the Clerk on his retirement.

New Member

Mr F. HOOKE was elected to take the place of Mr SHEARN on the Council.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, June 17th [July 13th] 1953.

July 13th '53

Council meeting held on above date.

All members present, Mr BRICE presiding.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed to(o).

Path at the Batch

Mr BROOKS proposed that path at the Batch should be attended to(o) and that Mr BO[U]LTON be asked to do the necessary work.

Correspondence

A letter from Mr MAGGS, re surplus(s) water in the gardens of tenants of houses, in the main street of village, was read and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr DRAKE re same.

Bus Shelters

The completed accounts for two shelters were presented to Council and it was agreed same be forwarded to Bus Co., together with a request for their help re payment.

A Letter from the Farmborough Council was read and it was agreed that Mr BRICE and Mr GORE should meet the representatives of the Farmboro' Council, re same.

Letter was read from Mrs NASH, re the difficulty of securing seats on their Buses at Brislington and it was agreed same be forwarded to Co.

Paths

The members, appointed to walk the paths, gave their report on same, which was generally accepted as satisfactory; there was a report that one stile, on Path from Kingwell to Farmborough, had wire across it and it was agreed that the Farmer should be approached re same. There was also a complaint about a Path at Bungays Hill and it was agreed that the Farmer be interviewed.

Seats

It was agreed that four seats be erected and sites for same was suggested, providing the necessary permission be secured.

A complaint was received re overhanging thorns, on Path opposite[e] the Inn and Mr CLEAVES agreed to see owner re same.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, August 31st 1953.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Aug. 31st 1953.**

Present: Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Mrs WRIGHT, Mr A. GORE, Mr HOOK[E], Mr M. BROOKS, Mr T. HARRIS, Mr A. EVANS, Mr S. HOWE.

In the absence of Mr G.B. CLEAVES (clerk), Mr C.W. SHEARN, assistant clerk, deputised.

Mrs WRIGHT apologised for the absence of Mr MAGGS.

Minutes

The minutes were read & adopted.

Matters arising

Letter from Bristol Tramway Co., re complaint by Mrs NASH, was read & Mr HOOK[E] proposed that the said letter be forwarded to Mrs NASH for information.

It was resolved that, the question of a bus shelter at New Road, be left on the table until a reply from Farmborough P. Council was recieved (*sic*).

Mr F. HOOK[E] proposed that a letter be written to Mr HAMBLIN, requesting signs for footpaths in the parish.

Letter from Mr DRAKE(S), re water in parish[i]oners' gardens, was read & the chairman stated that the persons concerned had been notified of its contents.

Bus Shelters

It was proposed that letter be written to Bus Co., thanking them for their donation to shelter costs.

Mr M. BROOKS proposed that council should make plans to er(r)ect shelter at Hallatrow (White Cross), the exact site to be determined by Hallatrow representatives. It was further proposed that the type should be the same as the existing shelters & the contracting should be done by Mr A. EVANS.

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Mr S. HOWE proposed that formal application should be made to Rev. MARLEY, requesting er(rection of shelter near the Central Methodist Church.

Coronation Seats

Proposed by Mr HARRIS, that 4 seats be er(ected, if permission can be obtained from County Council. Sites suggested being (1) Bottom of Scumbrome (*sic*), (2) Batch, (3) End of Langford's Lane, (4) White Cross.

P. by Mrs WRIGHT that "Coronation 1953" be designed in the concrete.

Mr GORE proposed a vote of thanks to Mr A. EVANS for drawing plans for seats.

Any other business

Letter from Paulton Parish Council, re difficulty of workers boarding buses after 5 p.m. from Mid. Norton, was read. It was proposed by Mr HOOK[E], that nothing be done re the matter & that Paulton P.C. be notified of this decision.

Mr HOWE raised the matter of a bad condition of a path at Hallatrow leading to Greyfield Woods & Mrs WRIGHT was delegated to visit same & report back.

Mr GORE proposed a letter from council, expressing regret at the loss of his ancestral home, Kingwell Hall, be forwarded to Capt. SCOBELL.

This concluded the business.

Monies paid: C. BOULTON 30/- Cutting back paths, G.B. CLEAVES 32/6 Audit stamp & exes, A.(E.) EVANS £11. 5/- Er(ecting bus shelter.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 5th Oct. 1953.

Oct. 5th 1953

A parish [council] meeting was held on 5/10/53, all members being present.

Mr H. BRICE occupying the chair.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters arising

Mr GORE read a letter from the county surveyor, re path at Bungays Hill &, after a general discussion, Mr GORE Prop. that the matter lie on the table.

Mrs WRIGHT stated that, the path at Hallatrow leading to Greyfield, had been cut back & cleared by Mr V. SAGE & it was prop. that a letter, expressing the council's thanks, be sent to him.

Coronation Seats

The chairman read a letter from Mr HAMBLIN, in which objections were made to selected sites, (i.e. White Cross, Scumbrome & Langford's Lane). Alternative sites selected were as follows: Rotcombe & Hallatrow Hill at junction of Highbury Rd., Permission for same to be obtained.

Shelters

Letter from Farmborough council was read, re shelter at New Rd. & Mr GORE gave statement re meeting with the said council, confirming agreement to pay half cost of same type of shelter as er(ected in High Littleton, i.e. £12. 10/-.

The Chairman stated that the county surveyor objected to the site chosen for both the seat & shelter at White Cross. Mr HOOK[E] the[n] prop. that Mr MAGGS & Mrs WRIGHT meet the surveyor re this question, the clerk to arrange same.

It was stated that arrangements for shelter at Central Meth. Chapel were proceeding satis[factorily].

Any other business

Alterations to Batch corner & taking over of Greyfield Rd. - Mr GORE prop. that letter be forwarded to County Council, requesting action.

Cemetery (*sic*)

A general discussion ensued on the upkeep of the cemetery & eventually it was resolved the matter lie on the table & Mrs WRIGHT stated that she would raise the matter in Church Council.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, Nov. 2nd 1953.

A parish council meeting was held on Nov. 2nd 1953.

All members being present, together with Mr C. SHEARN & Mr G. CLEAVES (Clerks).

Mr H. BRICE occupied the chair.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Matters arising

Mr MAGGS gave a statement on his meeting with Mr HAMBLIN, re shelter & seat at White Cross, agreement having now been reached in this matter.

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Seats

Mr EVANS stated the *[that]* two coronation seats had been er(r)ected to date.

Mrs WRIGHT prop. the minute re seat at Highbury Rd. be res/c/inded. Mr MAGGS then prop. that seat be er(r)ected near Wareham's corner, if permission can be obtained.

Shelters

Mr EVANS was requested to draw plans & obtain permission to er(r)ect shelter at White Cross.

The Clerk read a letter from Central Meth. Clerk, in which they refused permission for land to er(r)ect a shelter.

It was prop. that a letter be forwarded to this organization, depre(e)cating their action.

The chairman gave details of an offer of land given by Mr M. BRICE for a shelter & it was decided to proceed with arrangements for er(r)ecting shelter on this site. The clerk being instructed to write Mr BRICE, expressing the council's thanks.

Batch Corner

Mr H. BRICE informed members that communication had been recieved (*sic*) from Somerset County Council, stating that the alterations to the Batch Corner would be discussed at this year's estimates.

Any other business

A letter being recieved, re blocking of drains, it was proposed that the matter be referred to the surveyor.

After a discussion on Mary JONES' charity, it was resolved to place the matter on the agenda for the next meeting.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] M. WRIGHT, Dec. 7th 1953.

December 7th 1953

A parish council meeting was held on Dec. 7th 1953.

Present

Mrs WRIGHT, Messrs A. MAGGS, H. GORE, M. BROOKS, S. HOWE, T. HARRIS & A. EVANS, together with Mr G. CLEAVES & C.W. SHEARN (clerks).

Chair

Mrs WRIGHT presided in the absence of Mr H. BRICE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Arising from the minutes, letters re seats & shelters were read & Mr A. EVANS volunteered to see Mr HAMBLIN, re seat at Hallatrow & at Rotcombe. It was stated that the neccessary (*sic*) authority from Clutton R.D.C. was required before further action could be taken re shelters.

Correspondence

A letter from the R.D.C., re Civil Defence, was read & it was resolved to leave the matter in abeyance.

A request for the Westminster Abbey appeal was brought forward & the clerk was instructed to write, expressing regret that, owing to the date of our meeting, the appeal request had come at a rather inopportune time, i.e. just prior to Xmas & it was thought that this council could now do little in this matter.

Mary JONES' Charity

This charity was again discussed & councillors (*sic*) felt that the matter was best left in the hands of persons administrating the fund.

Any other business

Mr MAGGS raised a matter concerning a path at Hallatrow, the property of Mr STOCK & it was resolved that Mr CLEAVES should call on Mr STOCK re this matter.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 4.1.54.

A parish council meeting was held on January 4th 1954.

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Mr A. GORE, Mr S. HOWE, Mr A. EVANS, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr M. BROOKS & Mr C. SHEARN (ass't clerk) & Mrs WRIGHT.

Apologies were recieved (*sic*) from Mr T. HARRIS & Mr G. CLEAVES.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Bus shelters

The chairman stated that the permission of the Highway Authority was still awaited, for shelters it was proposed to er(r)ect.

A letter from Farmborough Parish Council *[was received]*, requesting information as to amount this Council would subscribe to shelter at New Rd. The total cost of which would be £25. It was prop. that they be notified

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that High Littleton would pay £12.10/- but that, in the event of the Bus Co. subscribing, the balance should be paid equally between the two councils.

Mary JONES' Charity

Letters from two parish[i]oners, complaining that certain persons had not recieved (*sic*) benefits from this charity, were read. After a discussion, the clerk was requested to reply, regretting the om(m)ission & to state that different arrangements would propably (*sic*) arranged [*be made*] for 1954.

Mrs WRIGHT then prop. the following: Owing to the difficulty of the trustees in administrating the funds from Mary JONES' Charity to the needy persons of the village, I propose that, in future, any persons who feel that they are entitled to payment under the said charity, that they make application to the trustees in writing. It was considered that notification re this could be displayed in the village & probably in the press in Aug. or Sept. of each year. Notification of this proposal [*would*] be forwarded to each trustee.

Any other business

The question of a drain at Langford's Lane was discussed, Mr GORE, stating that Mr DRAKE had the matter in hand.

Mr HOWE raised the question of the bad state of the cemetary (*sic*) path & Mrs WRIGHT stated that she would bring the matter to the attention of the church council.

Other matters discussed were coronation seats & diversions of footpaths in Brickyard but these matters were left in abeyance.

This concluded the business.

[*Signed*] H.J. BRICE, 2.2.54 [*1.2.54 intended*].

A parish council meeting was held on **Feb. 1st 1954.**

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Messrs A. GORE, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, M. BROOKS, T. HARRIS, F. HOOK[E] & Mrs WRIGHT, together with C.W. SHEARN (ass't clerk).

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, it was disclosed that permission had been granted to er(r)ect two further bus shelters at White Cross & in High St. It was prop. to proceed with the High St. Shelter first. In view of the nearness of this shelter to New Rd., the clerk was instructed to write to Farmborough Parish Council, suggesting the New Rd. shelter should be left in abeyance pro tem.

Seats

The chairman stated that permission had been granted for the er(r)ection of the two proposed seats, one at Hallatrow and one at Rotcombe. After discussing the matter, it was proposed to er(r)ect a utility type of seat in the shelter at Hallatrow & the normal type at Rotcombe, subject to approval from Rev. REYNOLDS & G. BRICE, trustees of coronation monies. It was pointed out that this would leave approx. enough money to er(r)ect a further seat but this matter was left on the table.

Mary JONES' Charity

A letter from Mr T. BLANNING was read & the clerk instructed to reply accordingly. It was prop. that Mr BROOKS & Mr HOOK[E], as trustees, should deal with the matter at the parish meeting.

Cemetary (*sic*)

Mrs WRIGHT stated that the Church Council had not yet met to discuss this matter.

Any other business

Various names were suggested for the new housing site but the matter was left over to the next meeting.

Cash Acc.

Cheques were made payable to the following: A. EVANS 30/- Insurance for shelters, C. W. SHEARN £2/2/- Hire of rooms.

This concluded the business.

[*Signed*] M. WRIGHT, March 2nd [*1st intended*] 1954.

A parish [*council*] meeting was held on the **1st Mar. 1954**, the following members being present:

A.H. GORE, A.H. EVANS, S. HOWE, A. MAGGS, Mrs WRIGHT, Mr T. HARRIS & Mr F. HOOKE, together with the ass't clerk C.W. SHEARN.

Chair

Mrs WRIGHT occupied the chair.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed upon.

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Matters arising

Mr HOWE raised the matter of cemetery (*sic*) repairs. The chairwoman stating that the church council had discussed the matter & hoped to effect improvements in the near future. It was then resolved to leave the matter on the table.

The question of a name for the new housing site was left to a later date.

Finance

The ass't clerk presented the accounts to date & showed that, with the estimated expenditure to the end of the financial year, the balance should be approx. £6. This was accepted & permission granted to obtain signatures of necessary councillors for any cheque require[d] prior to March 31st.

Seats & shelters

A statement of accounts were presented, showing a balance of £13. 3s. for seats & £45. 8s. 10d. for shelters. The clerk was instructed to write to Cpt. SCOBELL, thanking him for his further donation of £15.

Any other business

It was prop. that a letter be sent to Miss SAGE, re her retirement.

This concluded the business.

Cheques were made payable as follows: G. CLEAVES £18.10/- salary & Excs., Do. £15 honorarium.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [5.4.54].

A parish [council] meeting was held on **Apr. 5th 1954**.

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Messrs A. GORE, A. EVANS, S. HOWE, A. MAGGS, T. HARRIS, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS & Mrs WRIGHT, together with C.W. SHEARN (clerk).

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the question of a shelter at White Cross, it was prop. that negotiations be opened again with Mr HAMBLIN, re the question of obtaining permission to erect same type as in High St.

Councillors voiced their pleasure at the new shelter & again a vote of thanks to Mr J. BRICE was passed.

Precept

Re finance, the clerk was instructed to obtain a precept from the rating authority for Thirty Pounds.

Greyfield Road

The question of the adoption of this Road was discussed & the clerk was instructed to obtain further information re this matter.

Parish Meeting

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Tues. 13th April 1954 in the school & the next council meeting on May 17th 1954.

Houses

It was agreed to suggest that the new housing site should be named Eastover.

A.O.B.

A complaint re drains was received (*sic*) & the clerk was instructed to reply to Mrs MEREWETHER, stating that the matter was receiving (*sic*) attention.

This concluded the business.

Cheques

A cheque for £5 to Mr STYLES was made payable.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [17.5.54].

April 13th 1954

The Annual Parish meeting, duly convened, was held on April 13th 1954.

Present

Mr H. BRICE occupied the chair, supported by Mr H. GORE, District Councillor & Mr C.W. SHEARN (clerk) & there were 28 parish[i]oners present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Note being made of the omission of a minute relating to the presentation of the accounts, the minutes were confirmed.

Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed report of the year's activity, dealing with survey of footpaths, erection of a footbridge at Rotcombe, improvements at the Batch Corner & Greyfield Rd., Bus shelters & Coronation seats & also spoke of the excellent attendances at the monthly parish meetings.

Arising from the Chairman's remarks, it was prop. that the existing insurance scheme should remain the same, i.e. £10,000 p.a.

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Finance

The yearly accounts were presented & these were adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The clerk read a list of the recipients of this charity.

District Councillor's Report

Mr A.H. GORE presented a detailed report of his work on the Clutton R.D.C. & dwelt [*dealt*] at some length with the question of the new housing site. He also spoke of the ex/c/ellent manner in which the chairman had carried out the duties of his office. Mention was also made of the ex/c/ellent gift of £30, towards the bus shelters, by Capt. W. SCOBEL[L] & the gift of land by Mr J. BRICE, for the er(r)ection of a shelter.

The meeting then voted a very sincere vote of thanks to these gentlemen for their genero(u)sity.

Any other business

Questions were asked regarding sewage at Langford's Lane & the blocking of a drain at the Batch. These being satisfactor/il/y answered by the chairman.

In conclusion, the late clerk, Mr G.B. CLEAVES, was presented with a cheque for £15 & a wollet (*sic*) by Mrs WRIGHT, on the completion of 50 years service for the council. Tributes to this ex/c/ellent record were made by the chairman & Mr F. HOOK[E], & Mr CLEAVES suitably responded.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, March 14th 1955.

A parish [*council*] meeting was held on **Monday May 17th [1954]**.

Present

All councillors & the clerk were present. Mr H. BRICE occupying the chair.

Chair

Mr H. BRICE & Mrs WRIGHT were elected chairman & vice chairman respectively, for the ensuing year.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

The question of the bus shelter at White Cross was discussed. Mr MAGGS stating that he had met the surveyor & agreement had been reached re this matter. Mr A. EVANS then agreed to submit plans for this shelter & the clerk was instructed to write, replying to Somerset C.C., re change of plans & informing them that the agreement would be held over pro tem.

The clerk was instructed to write the Bristol Bus Co., requesting removal of bus stop & to ask for a request stop at Church Hill.

High St.

After a discussion re improving High St., the clerk & Mr EVANS were delegated to see Mrs SAGE & report to Mr GORE.

A.O.B.

After a discussion, Mr GORE agreed to go into the possibility of reorganizing the area of the parish.

Complaints were made re the condition of Long ground, due to fallen timber & the clerk was instructed to deal with the matter.

The question of the path at the Batch was left in abeyance.

Cheques were made payable to: H. BRICE £1, D. WEST 8/2, Som. Ed. Com. 5/-, J. CROMWELL £1.17/-.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 5th July 1954.

A council meeting was held on **Monday July 5th 1954.**

Present

All councillors were present, together with the clerk (C.W. SHEARN) & Mr H. BRICE occupied the chair.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from a discussion on the proposed bus shelter at White Cross, the clerk read a letter from Mr HAMBLIN, agreeing to the project. It was then prop. that this shelter should be the covered type & should be 12 feet in length. Mr EVANS prop. that tenders should be submitted for this shelter. It was further prop. that Mr M. WRIGHT be asked to draw plans for said shelter. The clerk was instructed to deal with this matter.

The clerk read of the refusal of the Bus Co. to place request stops at Church Hill, due to objections by the police. Mr EVANS agreed to see the police sup't re the matter & the clerk was instructed to write to the Company on the outcome of these discussions.

Mr GORE read a letter outlining the proce(e)dure of re-organizing the parish boundary & the matter was left to the chairman, the district councillor & the clerk, to report to the next meeting.

It was proposed that, the last coronation seat to be er(r)ected, should be placed at Langford's Lane, providing permission is obtained

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Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts to the meeting. These being satisfactory.

Any other business

Mr MAGGS raised the question of the condition of a path at Hallatrow, known as Marsh Lane. The clerk was instructed to write to the surveyor, requesting a meeting with Mr GORE & Mr MAGGS at the site.

Mrs WRIGHT raised the question of ownership of allot(t)ments & a sub committee[e], consisting of Mrs WRIGHT, Mr MAGGS & the clerk, were delegated to deal with this matter.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on August 30th [not held till 13 Sep.].

Cheques were made payable as follows: SHAW & Sons 17/4, A. EVANS £19.11. 2d., C. BURGESS £2. 2s.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 13 Sept. 1954.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Sept. 13th 1954.**

Present

H. BRICE (chairman), A. GORE, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, F. HOOK[E], M. BROOKS & Mrs WRIGHT, also C. SHEARN (clerk).

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from A.J. MAGGS & T. HARRIS.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Regarding the proposed bus stop at Church Hill, the clerk read correspondence between the Bus Co. & this council re alternative sites for stops. It was then proposed that the clerk should contact the Bus Co. again, if no further information was recieved.

It was proposed that, the question of reorganising the parish boundary, be left on the table pro tem.

Permission to er(r)ect a seat at Langford's Lane having been granted, Mr EVANS agreed to proceed with this work.

Bus Shelters

Three tenders, for the e(r)ection of a bus shelter, were recieved, for the following amounts £85 [W.L. HEAL], £75 [R. RAPPES & A. WILLCOX] & £72 [S.I. JAMES].

The clerk gave details of an interview with the clerk of Clutton R.D.C., regarding the financial position of the council, &, after a discussion, it was proposed that the matter be left over until the next meeting.

Any other business

It was proposed that a letter be forwarded to Mr F. BROOKS, on the occasion of his Golden Wedding An[n]iversary.

The next meeting was arranged for Oct. 4th [actually held on Sept. 27th].

This concluded the business.

[Signed] M. WRIGHT, Sept. 27th [1954].

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Sept. 26th [should be 27th] 1954.**

Present

Messrs A. GORE, A. MAGGS, T. HARRIS, F. HOOKE & Mrs WRIGHT, who occupied the chair, together with the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Resignation of chairman

The clerk read a letter from Mr H. BRICE, in which he tendered his resignation from the council. This was recieved (*sic*) with feelings of sincere regret & it was prop. that the resignation be not accepted at this meeting, Messrs GORE & MAGGS agreeing to meet Mr BRICE, with a view to persuading him to reconsider the matter.

Bus Shelters

After a full discussion re the Hallatrow shelter, it was prop. that Mr A.J. MAGGS & the clerk should interview Mr A.E/H/. EVANS, (&) to ascertain his views on the subject.

Mary JONES' Charity

The clerk read a transcript of a notice he had prepared re this matter, in accordance with a minute passed Jan. 4th 1954. This was agreed to.

Any other business

Correspondence re Green Lane, Hallatrow was read & Mr GORE promised to take the matter up with Mr HAMBLIN.

Precepts

It was agreed to apply for a precept for £35.

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Bus Stops

The clerk stated that he understood the Bristol Bus Co. had agreed to the proposed request bus stop at Church Hill but that no official notification had been received (*sic*).

The next meeting was arranged for Oct. 11th.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, [Oct. 11th 1954].

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on **Monday October 11th 1954.**

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Mr A. GORE, Mr S. HOWE, Mr A. EVANS, Mr A. MAGGS, Mrs WRIGHT, Mr T. HARRIS, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & Mr C. SHEARN (clerk).

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Mr MAGGS & Mr GORE gave details of interviews with owners of land at Green Lane, Hallatrow. The said owners stating that they would dig the ditch, to carry away surface water & improve the lane. It was considered that this was as far as the council could go in this matter & Mr MAGGS & Mr GORE were thanked for their services.

The clerk stated that no further information had been received from the Bus Co., re stops at Church Hill.

Bus Shelters

Tenders for the erection of a shelter at White Cross were considered & it was prop. that the lowest tender, £55 by Mr A. EVANS, be accepted. It was then prop. that a vote of thanks be recorded to Mr EVANS, for his services to the council.

It was also prop. that the Bus Co. be approached re a donation to this shelter.

Any other business

Complaints re youths cycl(y)ing(s) on the footpath leading from Southover to Eastover were voiced & Mr EVANS agreed to deal with the matter; he also agreed to go into the question of repairs to the path leading from Brickyard to Rotcombe, when this matter was raised.

The clerk was instructed to see Mr M. DANDO re loose slates on his roof, this being considered a danger to the public.

The clerk was also instructed to write to the police re wilful damage and rowd/y/ism in the village.

The question of a disused building at Rotcombe was discussed & the clerk was instructed to deal with the matter through the Clutton R.D.C.

He was further instructed to write to the representatives of the village on the Somerset County Council, on the question of Greyfield Rd. & to request a meeting at this spot.

The clerk gave details of an interview with the clerk of the R.D.C., in which Mr BARWICK stated that this council could have a further £68 (fourpenny rate) in this financial year. It was agreed to precept for the full amount during this year.

The next meeting was arranged for Dec. 6th [*actually held on Nov. 8th*].

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 8th Nov. 1954.

A parish council meeting was held on **Nov. 8th 1954.**

Present

All members were present, together with the clerk.

Mr H. BRICE occupying the chair.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was stated that posts were to be erected at the ends of the path from Southover to Eastover, to prevent cycl(y)ing. Also, that the police were dealing with the vandalism in the village.

The clerk was instructed to write the R.D.C. re the approach to Eastover via Rotcombe.

It was stated that satisfactory action was received (*sic*), re Mr M. DANDO's property but no reply from the R.D.C., re the direct (*sic*) house at Rotcombe, had been received.

Alterations to Parish Boundaries

The clerk read communications from the County Authorities & a copy from Paulton Parish Council regarding the proposed alteration of the parish boundary on the East side of the parish. After a long & full discussion, it was proposed that Paulton P.C. should be informed that, there (*sic*) action in not notifying this council of there (*sic*) intentions, was strongly depre(e)cated. Secondly, that S.C.C. be informed that this council were agreeable to this alteration but felt that all boundaries should be revised & New Rd. & Greyfield taken into High Littleton

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Parish. The chairman, District Councillor & the clerk were delegated to work out the exact details of the said alterations & to notify Clutton & Farmbro' councils accordingly.

Greyfield Rd.

Correspondence re Greyfield Rd. was dealt with &, as the S.C.C. had turned down the project, it was prop. to write to Mr Ted LEATHER, M.P. re the matter.

A.O.B.

The clerk informed members of C.D. posters recieved (*sic*) from Clutton R.D.C. & it was agreed to place them at suitable points in the village.

Complaints re flooding, in the road by the entrance to D. KNIGHT's farm, were recieved & Mr EVANS said he would see into the matter.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, 3 Jan. 1955.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Jan. 3rd 1955.**

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Mr A.H. GORE, Mr A.E[H]. EVANS, Mr A. MAGGS, Mrs WRIGHT, Mr T. HARRIS, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & Mr C.W. SHEARN (clerk).

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was stated that posts had been er(r)ected in the pathway leading from Eastover to Southover. Also, that the road leading from Rotcombe to Eastover, had been repaired satisfactor[il]y & that the problem of water in the Road at Bungays Hill had been dealt with.

Parish Boundaries

Correspondence re the parish boundaries were dealt with & members were informed that full information had been sent to Somerset County Council & to Clutton & Farmborough. In connection with this matter, a vote of thanks was passed to Mr A.H. GORE & Mr M. WRIGHT for their valu(e)able work in preparing maps etc.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was prop. that the Bath Tramway Co. be asked if they can do anything re bus alterations, to enable children from Timsbury school to have transport to High Littleton.

Parisheners (*sic*) from Kingwell, having requested the aid of this council in obtaining electricity, it was proposed to support their claims.

Any other business

Greyfield Rd. repairs was raised & statements, re Mr T. LEATHER, M.P.'s visit, were given & Mr MAGGS agreed to enlist the aid of Mr REES-MOGG in the matter.

The Batch corner was also discussed & the clerk instructed to write to the County Surveyer (*sic*) re this project.

Precepts

It was prop. to precept for £35 & £8. 3/- from the coronation fund was paid to Mr A. EVANS, for placing a seat at Rotcombe. This being the completion of the fund & Mr EVANS agreed to er(r)ect a seat at Hallatrow.

A vote of thanks to Clutton R.D.C. was recorded, for repairs to Rotcombe Eastover path (repairs).

This concluded the business.

[Signed] H.J. BRICE, Feb. 7th 1955.

A parish council meeting was held on **7th February 1955.**

Present

All councillors (*sic*) were present, together with the clerk. Mr H. BRICE occup(p)ied the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, a(t) discussion regarding Greyfield Rd. arose & Mr GORE & Mr MAGGS gave details of the meeting on Feb. 4th, with Mr E. LEATHER, M.P., members of Clutton R.D.C., Clutton P.C. & Somerset County Council, it being stated that the question of road repairs would be referred back to the works committee of the County Council. A vote of thanks to both council members was recorded & the clerk instructed to write to Mr LEATHER, thanking him for his services.

A letter from the county surveyer (*sic*), stating that alterations to the Batch Corner were listed for 1955/56 & permission from the Ministry of Transport was now awaited, was read. Mr BRICE then gave details of visits with Mr HAMBLIN to persons, whose property was concerned in the suggested improvements.

Parish Bound.

The chairman & clerk gave notice of the chairman & clerk of Farmborough Parish Council paying them a visit, with the request that a deputation from this council meet them, to discuss the proposed boundary alterations. A vote was taken on the subject & the proposition, not to meet Farmborough P.C., was carried unanimously.

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Mr C. MANLEY raised a complaint by letter, re bad drainage at Goosard Lane & the clerk was instructed to pass it to Mr HAMBLIN.

A.O.B.

Mr MAGGS raised the matter of repairs to a path at Hallatrow & it was prop. to leave it on the table, until the event [*advent*] of the new council.

Cheques were made payable to H. STYLES £5, C.W. SHEARN 8/2 & £18.12. 6.

This concluded the business.

[*Signed*] H.J. BRICE, Mar. 7th 1955.

The monthly meeting of the council was held on **Mon. Mar. 7th 1955**.

Present

Mr H. BRICE (chairman), Mr A.H. GORE, Mr S. HOWE, Mr A. EVANS, Mr H/A/. MAGGS, Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & Mr C. SHEARN, Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, Mr GORE gave further details of the Greyfield Rd. project & the chairman gave details of alterations proposed at the Batch Corner. It was agreed that further action could not be taken in these matters & the council now awaited further developments.

Mr MAGGS prop. that the question of the path at Hallatrow should be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

The Clerk presented a financial statement of the year's accounts & these were considered satisfactory.

Any other business

Mrs WRIGHT raised the question of er(r)ecting Road Name Signs at Hallatrow & it was prop. to place it on the Agenda for the next council meeting.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr A.H. GORE, for placing his offices at the disposal of the council for their meetings.

It was agreed to pay the following cheques: A.E/H/. EVANS £55, Somerset Education Com. 11/-.

The Sum of £6. 2. 6 from Garden Rents was recieved (*sic*) from Mrs WRIGHT, who was thanked for collecting same.

[*Signed*] A.H. GORE, 23 May 1955.

March 14th 1955

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened, was held on March 14th 1955.

Present

Mr H. BRICE occupied the chair, supported by Mr A.H. GORE (District Councillor (*sic*)) & Mr C.W. SHEARN (clerk), there being 25 parish/i/oners present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed ac/c/ount of the year's activities, stressing the record number of attendances made by parish councillors (*sic*) & dealing with the question of repairs to the Batch corner & Greyfield Rd. He stated that the council's plans, for er(r)ection of bus shelters in the immediate future, was completed & considered that this was a credit to the village & that all the coronation seats had also been er(r)ected & the monies for this fund disposed of. A vote of thanks was passed to those inhabitants, who had kindly given land for the Batch Corner project.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr BRICE by Mr MAGGS.

Accounts

The audited accounts were presented & adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The clerk read the list of reci(e)ipients of this charity.

District Councillor's Report

Mr A.H. GORE gave a report on his work during the past year. He reminded parish/i/oners that good progress was not being made in connection with a further 20 houses on the Eastover site & explained why there had been delays; nevertheless, it was hoped that work would commence in the near future. He also dealt with the Greyfield Rd. repairs & parish boundaries.

Mr GORE was sincer/e/ly thanked for his work & his report.

Any other business

A letter from S.C.C., re the claiming of two footpaths & the possible diversion of one, was read. After discussing the matter, it was prop. that the S.C.C. be informed that the paths in question were definitely (*sic*) rights of way and no diversion could be considered.

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Mention was made of the bad state of the fence at Hallatrow allot(t)ments. The clerk being instructed to deal with the matter via Mr STYLES. It was further agreed to pay £1 for the cutting of the hedge. The question of different charges being made for bus fares, at 2 points in the village, was made & it was agreed that action be taken re this matter.

It was prop. that the following be placed on the Agenda of the next Parish Council Meeting:

1. Buses for school children.
2. Repairs to path at Hallatrow.
3. Name plates for Roads.
4. Repairs to road junction of Langford's Lane.

The latter question being raised by Mr OSBORNE.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 9 Ap'l 1956.

The first meeting of the newly elected Parish Council was held on **23rd May 1955**.

Present

Mr A. GORE, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr A. EVANS, Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & Mr C. SHEARN, Clerk.

Election of Officers

Mr A. GORE was elected chairman & Mrs M. WRIGHT vice chairman for the year 1955/56 & all present signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was stated that no further information re Greyfield Rd. had been recieved (*sic*).

Re the path at Hallatrow, the Clerk was instructed to write to Messrs KENDALL on the matter.

It was prop. that the R.D.C. be approached, regarding name signs for roads in the parish.

Correspondence

The revelant [*relevant*] correspondence was read & discussed & the clerk was instructed to write to the Miners' Welfare on the subject of complaints by householders at Southover.

It was proposed not to accede to a request to give up the allotments at Hallatrow.

School Managers

Mr MAGGS & Mr BRICE resigned from their office of school managers & Mrs WRIGHT & Mr HOOKE were appointed to fill the vacancies.

Any other business

It was proposed that the clerk as/c/ertain the views of Mr HAMBLIN re er(r)ecting a "Slow" sign at Barber's Hill, Hallatrow & that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr G. CLEAVES.

Precept

Prop. that a precept for £35 be made & cheques were made payable to Mr BRICE £2 & Mr MAGGS £1.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Chairman, [25th July 1955].

A parish council meeting was held on **July 25th 1955**.

Present

Mr A. GORE (chairman), Mr M. BROOKS, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr A. EVANS, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

The clerk stated that, having written to Messrs KENDALL re path at Hallatrow, he had recieved (*sic*) no further information & it was prop. to leave the matter in abeyance.

The chairman stated that agreement had been reached on the question of maintaining Greyfield Road, & the placing of name plates at road junctions would be done in the near future. Also the question of a "Slow" sign at Barber's Hill was recieved (*sic*) consideration.

Resignations

Letters of resignation from Mr H. BRICE & Mr T. HARRIS were recieved. These being accepted with regret & the clerk was instructed to write, expressing these sentiments of the council.

Boundaries

A full discussion on the coming enquiry, it [*into*] the alteration of parish boundaries, was held & members were unanimous that the chairman should represent them at this enquiry.

Footpaths

It was stated that the path at the Batch had been cleaned by Mr H. WILKINS, & Mr V. SAGE had kindly cleaned the path at Hallatrow, leading to Greyfield Woods.

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It was prop. that Mr WILKINS be paid in the normal manner for his work & a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr SAGE.

Langford's Lane

Repairs to the Eastern end of this road were discussed & it was prop. to let the matter lie on the table.

School Buses

This subject was discussed & it was felt that nothing further could be done at the present, the company having, some months ago, (having) promised to consider an alteration to the timetables.

Correspondence

A letter from Mr R. HUNTLEY, requesting the closing of the footpaths, was read. It was prop. that this request should not be considered.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts & a vote of thanks was passed for the able manner in which he had kept the books.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 26 Sept'r 1955.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Sept. 26th /1955/**.

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mr S. HOWE, Mr A.E/[H]. EVANS, Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was stated that no decision had been reached by the S.C.C. re the boundary alterations, to date.

Correspondence

A letter from the S.C.C., re the paths in field O.S. 305, was read. This stated that the owner had placed his case before the Ministry & the S.C.C. suggested a meeting between the respective parties. It was prop. that this council should be represented by Mr A.E/[H]. EVANS & that the council's previous decision on the matter be adhered to.

A letter from several parish/i/oners, requesting the calling of a Parish meeting, to go into the details of adopting the street lighting act, was discussed. It was prop. that this matter lie on the table until the costs & full facts of the scheme had been as/c/ertained.

Election of Councillor (sic)

After a discussion, regarding the election of two councillors to fill vacancies that have arisen, it was prop. that Mr HEATON be asked to serve on this council. It was further prop. that the other vacancy be held over, until the result of the Parish Boundaries enquiry was known.

Any other business

In conclusion, the chairman gave a detailed account of how the slum clearance acts, as envisaged be [by] Clutton R.D.C., would work in this area. Mr GORE was thanked for his explanation & this concluded the business.

Cheques were made payable as follows:

On Sept. 3rd to J. BARWICK, Returning Officer, £7. 6. 2 par. election expenses.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 7 Nov. 1955.

A parish council meeting was held on **Nov'r 7th 1955**.

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mr S. HOWE, Mr A.E/[H]. EVANS, Mr A. MAGGS, Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr HEATON, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Mr J. BARWICK, clerk to Clutton R.D.C. also attended in an advisory (sic) capacity.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

New Member

The chairman gave welcome to Mr HEATON, on being nominated to fill a council vacancy, this being endorsed by all present.

Correspondence

The chairman read the relevant [relevant] correspondence & dealt with the proposed boundary changes, stating that New Rd. & Greyfield would become part of this parish but that the new boundary line details had not yet been recieved (sic).

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Footpaths

Mr EVANS & Mr GORE gave details of a meeting between this council, the S.C.C. & Mr HUNTLEY, regarding the stopping of a path in field O.S. 305. After a discussion, it was prop. that the status quo be maintained, as previously decided by the annual parish meeting.

Mr HOOKE raised the question of the stopping of a path by Mr FISHER's farm & the chairman agreed to see Mr FISHER regarding this matter.

A.O.B.

Mr HEATON raised the question of providing litter bins in the village & it was p/r/op. the matter be left on the table.

Street Lighting

Mr J. BRICE was invited to the meeting, to state his views & to discuss the possibility of having street lights. After a full & frank discussion, it was proposed that a Parish meeting be called, to consider the adoption of the Street Lighting & Watching Acts, this being in accordance with the request of 27 parish/i/oners, in a letter to the council.

Mr BRICE also requested that a light be placed on the bus shelter, as there had been acts of indecency (*sic*) & wanton damage to property near the shelter. It was prop. that action be taken in this matter & also that the Police Sup't be informed.

Mr BRICE & Mr BARWICK were thanked for their attendance &, in conclusion, Mr MAGGS prop. that the question of appointing another councillor (*sic*) be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, [5th Dec. 1955].

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Dec. 5th 1955.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr B. HEATON, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr A. EVANS, Mr S. HOWE, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

The chairman stated that the question of the stopping a path by Mr FISHER's farm had been settled amicably, & it was decided not to proceed in the matter of providing litter bins.

Details of meeting the South Western Electricity Board Officials, in connection with Street Lighting, were discussed & further information was now awaited.

Parish Boundaries

The newly constituted Parish Boundaries were discussed & the revalent (*sic*) maps perused & it was proposed that the question of appeal should be left in abeyance.

Any other business

It was proposed that a report of council meetings should be forwarded to the press. This to be done by the clerk & chairman.

It was prop. that Mr MAGGS see Mr STOCK, re path repairs at Hallatrow & report on same to next meeting. It was further prop. that Mr EVANS see Mr KENDALL re the same matter.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, [6th Feb 1956].

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday February 6th 1956.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. EVANS, S. HOWE, A. MAGGS, B. HEATON, F. HOOKE, Mrs WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, quotations for repairs to paths at Hallatrow & the Batch were discussed & Mr MAGGS proposed the matter should be left on the table.

Correspondence

The revalent [*relevant*] correspondence was read & fully discussed.

Precept

It was proposed to precept for £30 & cheques were made payable as follows: Insurance £1.10/-, S.C.C. re enquiry £3.17. 6, S.W. Electricity Board £5. 4. 8d.

The next meeting was arranged for March 12th.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, March 12th 1956.

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A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. March 12th 1956.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. EVANS, S. HOWE, A. MAGGS, B. HEATON, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Apologies

Mrs WRIGHT sent her regrets for non-attendance.

Correspondence

The revalent (*sic*) correspondence was read & dealt with & it was prop. that, the request for collectors for a flag day for King George V fund for sailors, be passed to the Women's Inst.

Street Light(en)ing

The quotations for the adoption of street lightening (*sic*) were recieved (*sic*) & outlined by the chairman. After a discussion, it was prop. the matter be dealt with at the Annual Parish Meeting & householders to be notified by leaflets of this meeting on Mon. April 9th 1956.

Any other business

The question of the stopping of a path at Hallatrow was discussed & it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance, until further particulars could be as/c/ertained.

Complaints, re the placing of sacks of merchandice (*sic*) on the pavement outside Mr M. DANDO's premises, were made & the clerk was instructed to write Mr HAMBLIN.

The question of sorting the post at High Littleton, instead of Hallatrow, was raised & discussed & it was prop. that the Postal Authorities should be written to re the matter.

Cheques were made payable as follows: C.W. SHEARN £18.10s. 7d., H. WILKINS 15/-, H. STYLES £5.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Ap'l 3rd 1956.

A parish council meeting was held on **Wednesday April 3rd /1956/.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. MAGGS, Mrs WRIGHT, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Apologies

Mr B. HEATON sent his apologies for non-attendance.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that discussion with the District Surveyer (*sic*) had been held, re the obstruction outside Mr M. DANDO's shop & it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance.

The question of postal arrangements were discussed & it was proposed that the minute relating to this subject be res/c/inded & the matter lie on the table. This being carried unanimously.

Correspondence

The revalent (*sic*) correspondence was read & dealt with.

Any other business

The question of the attitude of this council, to the adoption of the Street Lighting & Watching Acts, were fully discussed & it was decided to give a lead to the Annual Parish Meeting on this subject, viz: the phamplet [pamphlet] it was agreed to distribute to householders.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, June 4th [Sept. 3rd] 1956.

April 9th 1956

The Annual Parish meeting, duly convened, was held in the Church House on Monday April 9th 1956, app/r/ox. 130 Parish/i/oners being present.

Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman & was supported by a full compliment (*sic*) of Parish Councillors & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed to.

Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed account of the workings of the parish council during the past year, a period which had seen the making up of Greyfield Road & the long awaited reforming of the parish boundaries & repairs to the Batch corner. The latter items had been subjects that had been discussed & pressed for, for many, many years & now, at last, something had been achieved & he felt sure that they were greatly appreciated.

Accounts

The audited accounts were presented & adopted. The past year's accounts were also presented to the meeting.

Mary JONES' Charity

The minutes of the meeting of trustees was read &, on the motion of Mr KIMBER, the names of the recipients were taken as read.

District Councillor's Report

Mr A.H. GORE gave a detailed account of his work as District Councillor during the past year & answered many questions relating to the R.D.C., chiefly about housing.

Adoption of the Street Lighting Acts

The chairman outlined the basic details of this act & read a letter received (*sic*) from 27 parish[i]oners, requesting the Parish Council should consider the adoption of Street Lighting. He stated that his council had gone into the matter most thoroughly & had decided to send a pamphlet (*sic*) on the subject to each householder. The following details were then put to the meeting:

Cost of light(en)ing the parish with 34 lamps & installation costs would be approx. £769 [*£796 intended*]; a further £119 yearly would then be required for electricity & maintenance.

To do this, a levy of 1/- rate would be needed forthwith; this in 2 years would bring in approx. £720, leaving a balance of £76 to be found, to meet the initial cost, & of course there would be £119 per year to find for electric[it]y & maintenance for 2 years or, at least, as from when the lighting was installed.

It has been suggested that these latter items could be raised by voluntary efforts but the Parish Council had discussed this matter fully & had reached the unanimous decision that this was not practical & had decided, if the lighting Act was adopted, all costs must be borne by the rates, in the usual way. However, should any person decide to raise money voluntar[il]y, this money could be accepted & the rates reduced accordingly.

There was a full discussion on this subject from the floor of the meeting & the chairman answered many questions. Eventually, it was proposed that the subject should be held over for 12 months. After a vote, this proposition was defeated. A vote was then taken for or against adopting the act, the voting being 62 for & 62 against. The proposition being lost, as it required a ²/₃rds majority. The tellers were the clerk of the Clutton R.D.C. & the clerk of the Parish Council.

Any other business

Questions were asked about the doctors' surgery hours & times in the village & it was proposed that the Doctors be written to, requesting the consideration of an evening surgery two nights weekly.

Mr F. HOOKE proposed a vote of thanks to Mr GORE for his ex[c]ellent work for the parish & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 8 April 1957.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday June 4th 1956.**

Present

The following councillors were present: A.H. GORE, Mrs M. WRIGHT, F. HOOKE, B. HEATON, A. EVANS, A. MAGGS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minute book being in the posses[s]ion of the District Auditor, the minutes of the previous meeting were not read.

Arising from the Annual Parish meeting, it was prop. to send a letter of appreciation to Capt. SCOBELL & to request the local doctors to hold an evening surgery in the village.

It was also prop. to officially notify the S.W. Electricity Board of the decision of the Annual Parish Meeting not to adopt the Street Lighting & Watching Act this year.

Election of Officers

Mr A.H. GORE & Mrs M. WRIGHT were unanimously elected chairman & vice chairman respectively, for the ensuing year.

Any other business

The chairman gave details of the housing position & of a meeting with the County Council Representative Mr BELL, regarding village problems.

Mr HEATON raised the question of a bus service from Bath to Wells, serving Hallatrow & White Cross. It was prop. to approach the Bus Co. on this subject.

Mr MAGGS spoke of a nuisance in a path at Hallatrow & the chairman stated that he would take the matter up with Farrington Gurney Parish Council.

It was decided to take no further action on the question of postal arrangements.

It was prop. that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Mr SWIMMER, for er(r)ecting the allot(t)ment gate.

In conclusion, a vote of thanks was passed to the chairman for his services & for so kindly loaning the room for the meetings.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Sept. 3rd 1956.

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A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Sept. 3rd 1956.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A.E[H]. EVANS, A. MAGGS, B. HEATON, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS, Mrs WRIGHT & the clerk.

The chairman mentioned that Mr S. HOWE was absent through illness & that a letter, on behalf of the council, had been sent to him, for which Mrs HOWE had expressed her many thanks.

Minutes

The minutes of two previous meetings were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Further correspondence re village matters, from the County Council Representative, was read & it was stated that this council was still in contact with Farrington Gurney Parish Council re the footpath at Hallatrow.

Correspondence

The revalent (*sic*) correspondence was read & dealt with, including a request for information re bus shelters from Farrington Gurney P.C. It was decided that Mr EVANS should deal with this matter.

Bus Shelter

It was decided to place a light inside the village bus shelter.

Footpaths

The chairman announced that information had been recieved (*sic*) that the path at the bottom of Longround had definitely been claimed by this council & would be on all future maps.

It was also stated that there was a possibility of the appropriate Ministry dealing with the proposed stopping of a footpath in field O.S. 305.

Any other business

Mr GORE gave details of an enquiry into the question of a right of way at the Batch, the result of the enquiry being still awaited.

It was proposed that a request be made to the R.D.C., to investigate two leaks in the water mains.

The clerk presented the audited accounts & cheques were made payable as follows: C.W. SHEARN £2, High Littleton Church Council 10/6, A.H. GORE £2.18. 6.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Nov'r 5th 1956.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Nov. 5th 1956.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. MAGGS, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS, Mrs WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies from Mr HEATON were recieved (*sic*) & accepted.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, Mr EVANS stated that he had contacted Farrington Gurney Parish Council, regarding their bus shelter question & the chairman stated that the matter of placing a light in the bus shelter was still in hand.

It was further stated that action had been taken re the leaks in the water mains.

Correspondence

The chairman stated that a letter of sympathy had been sent to Rev. FRAMPTON on the occas(s)ion of his illness & Mrs FRAMPTON replied, thanking the council for their kindness.

Mr BRETT wrote, inviting the council to the Armistice service at the Church. The clerk was instructed to deal with this matter, stating that members would prefer to go individually.

Any other business

It was proposed that information be sought [&] the County Council written to, regarding the allocation of the number of District Councillors each parish was entitled to.

Mention was made of obstruction to a footpath at Hallatrow. Mr MAGGS agreed to investigate & notify the clerk.

Mary JONES' Charity

It was proposed that notices of the distribution of this charity be placed in High Littleton Post Office, Hallatrow Post Office & the Church.

It was agreed that either Mr MAGGS or Mrs WRIGHT should take the trusteeship of Mr J. WYATT, if he was unable to attend.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 7 Jan'y 1957.

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A parish council meeting was held on **Monday January 7th 1957.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), M. BROOKS, F. HOOKE, A. MAGGS, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, B. HEATON, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

The clerk stated that Mrs WRIGHT had served as a trustee to Mary JONES' Charity in the absence of Mr J. WYATT & that no complaints had been received (*sic*) re the distribution of the charity.

The chairman stated the *[that]* the obstruction to a footpath at Hallatrow was being dealt with.

It was proposed that the Somerset County Council be written to, re the allocation of another District Councillor for this parish.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was agreed to have a separate meter for the bus shelter light, & to agree to the new site of the seat on the Batch.

Correspondence from the appropriate Ministry, dealing with the proposed stopping of a footpath in field O.S. 35 [305], was discussed & it was proposed that the council should register their disap[p]roval of this action.

Footpaths

It was proposed that Mr F. HOOKE should see Mr SHEP[P]ARD re the obstruction to a footpath at Greyfield Woods.

It was proposed that the attention of the R.D.C. be drawn to the terrible state of the footpath leading from White Cross to Farrington Gurney & that immediate action be requested.

Precept

It was proposed to precept for £30 & a cheque for 30/- was made payable to the Nat. Employers Mutual Insurance Co.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 18/3/57.

An extraordinary meeting of the parish council was held on **Mon. Feb. 9th 1957**, to discuss what action the council should take in regard to the draft order made by the Minister, to close a public right of way in field O.S. 35 [305].

The meeting decided to oppose this closure & to seek legal advice on the matter.

Members present were: A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs WRIGHT, A. MAGGS, S. HOWE, B. HEATON, M. BROOKS, F. HOOKE & the clerk.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 18/3/57.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. March 18th 1957.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), B. HEATON, A. MAGGS, A. EVANS, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, Mr HOOKE stated that he had seen Mr SHEPPARD, re the obstruction across a footpath at Greyfield Woods and, although he (Mr SHEPPARD) thought the obstruction was not enough to prevent persons from access, he would remove it.

Correspondence from the clerk of Clutton R.D.C., re the repairing the path at Hallatrow, was read & the chairman agreed to bring the matter up in council.

Accounts

The clerk presented an estimated balance sheet for 1956/57 & cheques were made payable to SHAW & Sons £1.14. 7, SHEARN £18. 3. 8, S.W. Elect. Board £13.12. 4 & STYLES £5.

Any other business

The chairman stated that he understood that an enquiry, into the proposed stopping of a footpath, will be held in the parish & it was decided to hold the enquiry in the Working Men's Hut.

Mr HEATON suggested that all dustbins in the parish should be the regulation ones but the matter was left on the table.

Mr HOOKE suggested that a footpath at Bungays hill had been obstructed & it was decided to seek further in this matter.

The annual meeting was to be held on Ap. 8th it was decided & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 17 June 1957.

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The Annual Parish Meeting, duly conve(y)ned, was held in the school on **Monday April 8th 1957.**

There were 35 parish/i/oners present & the chair was occupied by Mr A.H. GORE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman read a letter from Dr CROOK, regretting that the doctors were unable to comply with the request to hold evening surgery in the village.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited balance sheet to the meeting, these accounts being adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The clerk read the minutes of Mary JONES' charity and stated that £13. 8s. had been paid out from the fund in 1956. The meeting agreeing to take the list of recipients as read. It was further proposed to send a letter to Mr J. WYATT, thanking him for his services as a trustee & wishing him a speedy recovery to good health.

Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed report of the activities of the parish council during the past year, stating that the maps of rights of way in the parish were now in posses/s/ion & could be seen either at High Littleton Post Office, Hallatrow Post Office or at Greyfield & mentioning that the footpath leading alongside the old railway line, crossing Longround & leading to Goosard Bridge, had been claimed & was shown on the map.

He further stated that the Somerset County Council had been requested to allocate two district councillors (*sic*) to the Clutton R.D.C. & that notification had been recieved (*sic*) from the Ministry that it was proposed to stop the footpath in the field behind the Working Men's Hut. In view of this, legal advice had been sought & an enquiry would take place in the Working Men's Hut on May 21st 1957 at 10.30 p.m. He then appealed for any persons, who used this path, to attend the enquiry.

After giving other information re footpaths at Hallatrow etc., he thanked Mr A. WORKMAN for his work on the time switch at the bus shelter & the meeting agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mr WORKMAN.

Arising from this report, Mr W. PERRY asked if someone could be responsible for cleaning the bus shelters but this was considered impracti/ca/ble.

Questions were also asked about the recent road repairs at the batch, several parish/i/oners complaining that the paving on the Market Tavern side was dangerous to pedestrians &, after Mr EVANS stated that part of the land at this point was private property, it was decided to write the County Council, thanking them for the improvements & asking if anything could be done re the question of this right of way.

Mr G. MAULE stated that the posts, placed in the right of way between Eastover & Southover, had not stopped the cyclists but merely prevented prams etc. being taken through. The chairman promised that the parish council would seek into this problem.

Questions were asked by Mr W. PERRY & Mr B. FORD, re the recent council house rent increases & a petition against these increases were presented to the clerk, for forwarding to the R.D.C. After Mr HEATON spoke in favour of the extra rents, some discussion arose & after, Mr GORE had stated the case for increases & promising that he would do his best to review them in 6 months time & saying that, as a member of the R.D.C., he could state that at present they were an absolute necessity. In view of the chairman's remarks, Mrs E. BRAITHWAITE proposed that the rents should be collected weekly; this proposal was accepted & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 31 March 1958.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday June 17th 1957.**

Present

A.H. GORE, M. BROOKS, A. EVANS, S. HOWE, F. HOOKE, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from A. MAGGS & B. HEATON.

Officers

Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman & Mrs M. WRIGHT vice chairman for the ensuing year.

The chairman gave a message of condolence to Mr M. BROOKS on his recent breheavment (*sic*) & a welcome to Mrs WRIGHT after her recent illness, these sentiments being expressed by all present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was agreed to write to Mr SHEPPARD re the obstruction of a footpath in Greyfield Woods.

The clerk stated that Mr HOOKE & himself had seen Mr FISHER re a path at Bungays hill & that there was no obstruction to this path.

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The chairman stated that no reply, re the enquiry into the stopping of a footpath, had been recieved & it was decided to write & thank the people, who attended the enquiry.

Correspondence

The revelant (*sic*) correspondence was read & discussed & it was noted that, at the next election, the parish would have two R.D. councillors (*sic*), as had been requested.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts for 1956/57 & these were adopted.

Any other business

The question of council reports appearing in the local press were discussed & it was proposed that Mrs WRIGHT & the clerk be appointed press officers.

Questions re the cemetary (*sic*), including the limited space for future burials, were asked & it was proposed that Mrs WRIGHT should discuss this with the church council.

A discussion arose re the numerous cars & coaches parking at the end of Greyfield Rd. & at the beginning of New Rd., often badly parked & whose occupants created much litter & became a nuisance. It was decided to apply for four litter baskets & to place one at this point & to put one at, or near, the central bus shelter & two at Hallatrow.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Sept. 2nd 1957.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Sept. 2nd 1957.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), B. HEATON, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, A. MAGGS, M. WRIGHT, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters Arising

The clerk stated that the obstruction to the footpath at Greyfield Woods had been removed & Mrs WRIGHT gave details of the discussion with the Church Council, regarding the burial ground.

The chairman stated that the litter baskets would be er(r)ected in the next few weeks & it was confirmed that they should be placed at the following points: (1) Greyfield Corner, (2) Central Bus shelter, (3) White Cross Bus shelter, (4) Hallatrow Post Office.

Correspondence

The relevant correspondence was read & it was noted that the County Authorities had agreed to deal with the repairs of the continuation of Langford's Lane, as soon as was expedient.

Any other business

Mr MAGGS raised the question of a nuisance, caused through the accumulation (*sic*) of water at the rear of houses in the High Street. It was proposed to notify the R.D.C. of this trouble.

Mr MAGGS raised the question of repairs to a footpath at White Cross &, after a discussion, it was proposed to write to S.C.C. regarding this matter.

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the derelict houses in the parish & it was proposed to write to the R.D.C. about this trouble.

Finance

Cheques were made payable as follows: FAULKNER, CRESSWICK & GOULD £5. 5s., High Littleton Working Men's Club 7/6.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Nov'r 4th 1957.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Nov. 4th 1957.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs WRIGHT, Mr F. HOOKE, Mr A. EVANS, Mr S. HOWE, Mr M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from Mr A. MAGGS.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters Arising

The chairman announced that the Somerset County council state that the footpath known as "Ham Lane" & "Green Lane" are considered ancient highways & will be made usable in the near future.

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Regarding the direct (*sic*) buildings at Rotcombe, it was stated that the R.D.C. considered nothing could be done in this matter &, after some discussion, it was agreed to [*go into the matter more fully – deleted*] take no further action [*added later*].

Any other business

It was proposed that a Parish Council Handbook be obtained.

It was decided not to go to the Remembrance service en bloc.

It was decided to post the usual notices re Mary JONES' Charity.

Cheques & precepts

Cheques were made payable to BROWN Bro. £2.10. 5 & it was decided to precept for £30.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 3rd Feb'y 1958.

A parish [*council*] meeting was held on **Mon. Feb. 3rd 1958.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs WRIGHT, F. HOOKE, A. MAGGS, B. HEATON, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to, with the exception of one minute, which was deleted.

Matters Arising

The chairman stated that he would endeavor (*sic*) to obtain the Parish Council Handbook in the near future & the trustees of Mary JONES' Charity stated that the distribution of the monies had proceeded satisfactorily this year.

Correspondence

The relevant correspondence was read & fully discussed & it was decided to go more fully into the Ministry Circular re Parish Council Acts 1957 para. 13, relating to the maintenance of Burial grounds.

Any other business

It was decided to apply for another litter bin, to be placed at the bus shelter opposite the Post Office.

Mr B. HEATON raised the question of householders having the regulation dust bins, to prevent the spread of disease & the chairman agreed to raise the matter at the R.D.C.

The chairman paid tribute to the late clerk Mr G.B. CLEAVES [*Gilbert Brice CLEAVES was buried 28 Dec 1957, aged 83*] & all members concurred in his remarks.

Finance

It was decided that the estimated expenditure for 1958/59 would be that of a 2d. rate & it was further agreed that the tribute to the late clerk should be paid from the accounts.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 3/3/58.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. March 3rd 1958.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A.J. MAGGS, A.E[H]. EVANS, S. HOWE, B. HEATON, F. HOOKE, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Apologies

Mrs M. WRIGHT sent an apology for her non-attendance.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that the R.D.C. had received (*sic*) no more information than had this council, regarding the Ministry Circular relating to the maintenance of burial grounds.

Regarding the provision of regulation rubbish bins, it was decided to leave this matter in abeyance for the present.

Correspondence

The relevant correspondence was read & discussed & the fact that the parish had an approximate population of 1300, & were entitled to 13 parish councillors, was noted.

Any other business

The next council meeting was arranged for 31st March at 7.30 p.m., to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m. in the school.

It was decided to advertise the latter meeting in the press.

Finance

Cheques were made payable as follows: STYLES £5, SHEARN £18. 1. 4, S.W.E.B. £1. 9. 2, H. HEAL £1.10s.

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This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 31 March 1958.

A parish council meeting was held on **31st March 1958.**

Present

There was a full compliment (*sic*) of parish councillors & the chair was occupied by Mr A.H. GORE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was prop. that the question of applying for 13 councillors should be put to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the stopping of a footpath leading to the new housing estate &, after some discussion, the matter was left on the table.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 19 May 1958.

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly conve(y)ned, was held on **Mon. March 31st 1958** at the school.

There were 17 parish/i/oners present & Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, it was stated that it was hoped to remove the posts in the pathway between Eastover & Southover in the very near future.

Mary JONES' Charity

The clerk read the minutes of Mary JONES' Charity, the list of recipients being taken as read & it was proposed that the parish council should seek into the question of obtaining a better investment for the capital of the said charity.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts to the meeting & these were adopted.

Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed account of the activit/i/es of the parish council during the past year, stating that this council had been successful in getting the County Council to repair the piece of road at the end of Langford's Lane, with the promise to maintain it; also they had obtained improvements at Green Lane, Hallatrow; both these items had been long overdue.

He also stated that an interior light had been placed in the High St. bus shelter & litter bins had been obtained for the parish.

Mention was also made of the fact that the council had fought successfully at the enquiry into the closing of a footpath, & reference was made to the passing of the late clerk, Mr G. CLEAVES. Mr CLEAVES had been associated (*sic*) with the council for 50 years & all present deeply regretted his passing.

The chairman then stated the [*that*] the parish was now entitled to apply for thirteen Parish councillors (*sic*), instead of the present nine &, after a discussion, it was proposed not to apply for extra members.

In conclusion, he remarked on the retirement of Mr J. BARWICK & it was proposed to write & thank him for his past help & wish him a happy retirement.

District Counciller's (*sic*) Report

Mr GORE presented his report as district councillor, stating that 22 houses & 10 bungalows would shortly be er(r)ected in the parish & that, in the main, these would be for people living in sub standard houses.

He further said that he was very pleased that the R.D.C. had agreed to ask the consultants to prepare a sewerage scheme for the village; it is appreciated that this is merely to prepare plans etc. but it is hoped that these plans will be proceeded with later, when the Paulton scheme is under way & that this scheme will be linked up with Paulton at Goosard. He felt that, though it may be several years before we finally had the sewage scheme, it was a step in the right direction.

He thought the meeting would be interested to know that, at a Parish meeting in 1913, it was decided to petition against having a sewage scheme.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the different sizes of gardens in council houses & Mr C. RAIKES about the impossibility of entering the backs of terrace type(d) houses & it was agreed to see if anything could be done to improve matters in this respect.

Mr A. MAGGS proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, both for his ex/c/ellent work during the past year & for providing free accom/m/odation for meetings.

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This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 6 Ap'l 1959.

A meeting of the newly elected parish council was held at the school on **Monday May 19th 1958**, the clerk giving a welcome to all present.

Present

The members present being A.H. GORE, Mrs M. WRIGHT, A.J. MAGGS, S.J. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, H.J. BRICE, M. BROOKS & B.G. FORD.

Chairman

Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman for the ensuing year.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed, there being no matter arising from the said minutes.

Election of Officers

Chairman - A.H. GORE.

Vice Chairman – Mrs M. WRIGHT.

School Managers – M. WRIGHT & H.T. HUNN.

Press Officers – H.T./J]. BRICE & the clerk.

Allot(t)ment Committee – M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

The appointment of Mary JONES' Charity Trustees being left over until the next meeting.

Precept

It was prop. & seconded the [*that*] a precept of £50 be applied for.

Matters re An. Parish Meeting

The question of the investment of the Mary JONES' Charity money was discussed & it was prop. that no action be taken in this matter.

Any other business

A vote of thanks was prop. by Mr A. MAGGS & seconded by the clerk, to Mrs WRIGHT, for her ex/c/ellent work in connection with the allot(t)ments.

It was prop. & sec. that the clerk write the R.D.C. re their policy on condemned (*sic*) houses.

The question of a dirillect (*sic*) building at Rotcombe was discussed, there being no proposition made but the R.D.C. representatives agreed to enquire into the matter & endeavor (*sic*) to discover what powers this council or the R.D.C. had in this respect.

It was prop. & sec. that future meetings should be held in the school on the 1st Mon. of the month, subject to the chairman & the clerk's discretion.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 7 July 1958.

A parish council meeting was held on **July 7th 1958**.

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), H. BRICE, M. BROOKS, B. FORD, S. ORMAN, S. HOWE, H.T. HUNN, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the clerk read a letter from the R.D.C., relating to the policy on condemned (*sic*) houses, which stated that the onus of clearing the sites etc. fell on the owner; failure to do so would mean the council could demolish & charge the costs to the owner.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was decided not to take any action re the King George's Fund for Sailors.

Burial Grounds

The chairman drew the attention to members of the recent Ministry order, relating to the maintenance of burial grounds, stating that the matter had been discussed with the clerk of the R.D.C. & there seemed no doubt that we could help in this respect. After discussing the matter, it was prop. by H. BRICE & sec. by H.T. HUNN, that up to £20 be spent in cleaning the cemetery (*sic*), providing the Church Council agreed. The chairman & the clerk were empowered to obtain the labour for this project.

Footpaths

The question of cleaning footpaths was discussed & it was prop. by M. BROOKS & sec. by H. BRICE, that the following footpaths be cleaned: (a) at the Batch, (b) New Rd. & (c) at Hallatrow. It being decided that the chairman & clerk obtain labour to do the two in the village & Mrs WRIGHT at Hallatrow.

It was prop. that a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr V. SAGE, for caring for the path at Hallatrow.

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Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of water accumulating (*sic*) in Mr C. MAGGS' garden &, after a discussion, it was prop. that the clerk write the R.D.C., requesting that this source of trouble be investigated again.

The next meeting was arranged for the 1st Mon. in Sept. & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Sept. 1st 1958.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Sept. 1st 1958** in the school.

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, A. MAGGS, M. BROOKS, B. FORD, H. BRICE & H.T. HUNN & the clerk. Mr S. ORMAN sending his apologies (*sic*).

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

The chairman stated that the R.D.C. officials had investigated the nuisance of waste water in the High St. area & had decided that it was not public water, that was causing the trouble. After a discussion, Mr H. BRICE prop. that further information be sought re this matter i.e. the analysis of the water & the question of a more extensive test, the chairman agreeing to deal with this.

Mr B. FORD prop. that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr T. CHURCH for the ex/cellent job he made of cleaning up the cemetery (*sic*) & it was agreed to pay him the sum of £20 for work at the cemetery & £3.10/- for cleaning footpaths.

Mr H. BRICE prop. a vote of thanks to the chairman, for helping, so willingly, to clear the debris from the cemetery, this being carried unanimously.

Mary JONES' Charity

The following members were unanimously elected as trustees of Mary JONES' Charity for the triennial period ending 1961 & the clerk was instructed to write to the retiring members, thanking them for their past services. Trustees: Mrs WRIGHT, Mr MAGGS, Mr HUNN & Mr BROOKS.

Postal Numbering

Arising from a complaint from a resident, it was prop. by H. BRICE, to go into the question of house numbering, Mrs WRIGHT & Mr HUNN volunteering to assist in this matter.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was prop. that Mrs WRIGHT should contact Mr J. LAWRENCE, with a view to obtaining material for a publication & official guide, relating to historical interests in the parish.

The chairman stated that a letter had been sent to Master J. BRIMBLE, on the occasion of his selection for England Schoolboys sports.

Cheques

Cheques were made payable as follows: A.H. GORE per T. CHURCH £23.10s., H. BRICE £1, Somerset Education Committee[e] 18/-, S.W. Elect. Board £1. 1s.

The next meeting was arranged for Mon. Nov. 3rd 1958.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Nov'r 3rd 1958.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday Nov. 3rd 1958**.

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, S. HOWE, B. FORD, M. BROOKS, H. HUNN, A. MAGGS & the clerk.

Mr S. ORMAN sending his apologies.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Mrs WRIGHT stated that no information had been received (*sic*) from Mr LAWRENCE re the history of the village & it was decided to leave the question, of giving the R.D.C. information for a guide book, on the table.

The chairman read a further letter from the R.D.C., re the waste water on Mr C. MAGGS' property, the letter stating that nothing further could be done in this matter.

Correspondence

Arising from a letter from the Bath Bus Co. to the R.D.C., re the alteration to the bus timetable, it was prop. that, whilst there was no objection to the 5.15 p.m. bus from Bath continuing to Farmborough, it was considered that another bus should be run at 6.15 p.m. through to Paulton, to enable workers to reach home at a reasonable hour, it being felt that, under the existing proposal, workers to this area would not be home until 7.20 – 7.30 p.m. The clerk being instructed to notify the R.D.C. accordingly.

Arising from an invitation to attend the service of remembrance, it was decided to go as individuals.

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Mary JONES' Charity

It was decided to post the usual notices & to hold the annual meeting on Dec. 1st.

Finance

The clerk presented the accounts for the half year, showing a balance of £42. 2. 8.

Any other business

Arising out of complaints re the high costs of burials & for er(r)ecting memorials in the cemetery (*sic*), it was prop. that information be sought as to the correct charges in this parish & to query if there was a fixed rate for the district, furthermore, to suggest that an up to date scale of charges be placed in a prominate [*prominent*] place in the parish, i.e. the church porch.

Arising from information given by nearby residents, it was prop. that an illuminated reflector be requested, for placing on the north side of the old G.W.R. bridge in Hallatrow Hill.

On a motion by Mr MAGGS, it was proposed to write to Mr D. WARREN, requesting that he return to its original state, a laid cinder footpath, that he had ploughed in a field near Hallatrow Station.

The next meeting was arranged for Jan. 5th 1959 & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Jan'y 5th 1958 [1959].

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday 5th January 1959.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs WRIGHT, Messrs A. MAGGS, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, H. BRICE, B. FORD & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from Mr M. BROOKS & Mr S. HOWE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman gave reasons as to why there had been no developments re the cemetery (*sic*) charges etc. & it was agreed to leave the matter on the table.

It was prop. that a letter be sent to the Div. Surveyer (*sic*), thanking him for so promptly er(r)ecting the reflecters (*sic*) in Hallatrow Hill.

It was agreed to give Mr WARREN of Hallatrow time to await better weather, in order to deal with the footpath at Hallatrow.

Correspondence

A letter from Mr EVANS of Lansdowne Place, complaining of flooding in her front path, was read & the chairman stated that action had already been taken in this matter.

The clerk raised complaints from parish/i/oners re overhanging branches of trees in Langford's Lane & surface water in Bungays Hill, the chairman agreeing to deal with these matters.

Finance

It was prop. to estimate for a 3d. rate for the year 1959/60.

Any other business

The chairman gave a summary of a meeting with representatives of the church re a new cemetery (*sic*), stating that no decision was reached at the meeting.

He also raised the question of complaints re the routing of country buses from the new Bristol Bus Station & it was decided to write to the R.D.C. & to endeavor (*sic*) to obtain the views of other parishes.

Mr H.T. HUNN raised the question of obstruction of the pavement at Greyfield & it was prop. that a letter be sent to Mr A. EVANS on this subject.

Cheques were made payable as follows: Nat. Employers Ass. Co. £1.10s. & an interim cheque for £1. 1/- to S.W.E.B. was agreed to.

The next meeting was arranged for March 2nd 1959 & this concluded the business.

Precepts

It was decided to precept for £30.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 2 Mar. 1959.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. March 2nd 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. MAGGS, B. FORD, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, S. HOWE, Mrs WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from H. BRICE & M. BROOKS.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

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Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that the clerk to the R.D.C. had drawn his attention to the fact that this council held a substantial balance of funds, yet to be drawn, in the R.D.C. accounts &, in view of this fact, it was decided that the prop. rate for 1959/60 should be amended to 2d. instead of 3d. It was then prop. by Mr A. MAGGS & sec. by Mr B. FORD, that a protest against the alteration of this rate, without prior consultation with this council, should be forward[ed] to the R.D.C. It was further prop. by Mr S. ORMAN that the said council be requested to supply full information re finances, prior to the estimate of rates for the year.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was agreed to support the Timsbury P.C., in relation to the alteration of the time of a bus, to enable visitors to Paulton Hospital to have the whole of the visiting period & to support the request of a parish[i]oner for a post box in the batch area.

The chairman then read a letter from the Rev. FRAMPTON, re burial arrangements &, after a full discussion, it was prop. that the chairman request the vicar that a sub committee of the church council meet a delegation of this council, to discuss the matter. The representatives of this council to be Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr A. MAGGS, the chairman & the clerk.

Finance

Cheques were made payable as follows: C.W. SHEARN £18. 5/-, S.W.E.B. £1. 7. 8, Somerset Ed. Comm. 18/-, H. STYLES £5.

The next meeting was arranged for Mon. April 6th at 7 p.m., to be followed by the annual parish meeting at 8 p.m., it being agreed to advertise the latter meeting in the local press.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 6 Ap'l 1959.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday April 6th 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), A. MAGGS, B. FORD, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, H. BRICE, S. HOWE, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, a letter from the R.D.C. re rates was discussed & it was proposed that the following minute d/d 5/1/59 be res[c]inded: "It was proposed to estimate for a 3d. rate for the year 1959/60." The following proposition was then carried unanimously: "That the estimated rate for 1959/60 be 2d. & that the chairman's action in this matter be fully endorsed."

The meeting was informed that the Postal Authorities regretted they could not provide a post box on the Batch.

Correspondence

Correspondence on the closing of the Frome - Bristol Railway, for passenger traffic, was discussed & it was prop. to protest against this closure.

Any other business

The question of providing a new burial ground & the results of the meeting with members of the church council were discussed & it was proposed that a levy of a 4d. rate for three years should be raised &, providing agreement could be reached with the Church, this money should be handed to them & they should administer the burial ground as at present. It was further decided to put this question to the Annual Parish Meeting for approval.

The next meeting was arranged for Monday June 1st at 7.30 p.m. & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 6 July 1959.

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened, was held in the school on **Monday April 6th 1959.**

Present

There were sixteen parish[i]oners present & Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the clerk stated that no alteration could be made to the way in which the Mary JONES' Charity money is invested.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts to the meeting & they were adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The minutes of Mary JONES' Charity were read & the meeting accepted the list of recipients as read.

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Chairman's Report

Mr A.H. GORE gave the meeting a detailed account of the work done by the Parish Council during the past year, stating that they had been pleased to have helped the Church by providing funds to have the cemetery (*sic*) cleaned.

He also said that there was still hope of a sewage scheme for the village in the not too distant future.

Dealing with Rural District Council matters, he stated that he was pleased that, now the Eastover council houses were nearing completion, plans were being made for the erection of four single bedroom type for elderly people.

Any other Business

A long discussion was held, in connection with the need for provision of an extension (*sic*) to the burial ground. It being estimated that the present cemetery (*sic*) would last from three to five years, the onus would then fall on the parish to provide a burial ground. After the chairman had outlined the council's ideas on the matter, it was proposed that the council should accumulate (*sic*) funds for this project, by the levy of a four-penny rate for a period of three years, to assist the church in this respect, providing they would accept & administer the said burial ground, as at present. Furthermore, the parish council would give all the help in their power, towards its maintenance (*sic*).

A parish/ian raised the question of cyclists & motor cyclists being a danger to the public on the footpath between Eastover & Southover & it was decided to make representation to the police about this.

A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to the chairman, for his work during the past year & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Ap'l 11th 1960.

Pages 134/5 missing from Parish Meeting Minute Book but no minutes lost.

A parish council meeting was held on **July 6th 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE, A. MAGGS, H. HUNN, M. BROOKS, B. FORD, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Election of Officers

Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman for the ensuing year & Mrs WRIGHT was elected vice chairman.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the question of providing a burial ground was discussed &, after reading a letter from the Assistant District Auditor, the chairman stated that it was now quite clear that the Auditor considered that this council could not provide a burial ground to be administered by the Church but could merely help in the upkeep of the same. It was then proposed by Mr B. FORD & seconded by Mr M. BROOKS that the following minute, d/d 6/4/59, be res/c/indeed: "that a levy of a 4d. rate for three years should be raised &, providing agreement could be reached with the Church, this money should be handed to them & they should administer the burial ground as at present." A proposition by B. FORD, sec. by A. MAGGS, "that this council should meet the Church Paroc[h]ial Council, to discuss this matter further," was carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was noted with regret that nothing could be done re continuing the passenger services on the Radstock, Frome Railway Line, the enquiry deciding in favour of British Railways.

Further to a letter from the R.D.C., re the route of the Bristol Buses, the clerk stated that he was forwarding a list of names of persons, who were desirous of returning to the old routes, to the R.D.C.

Finance

It was proposed by Mr A. MAGGS & sec. by Mr B. FORD, to make a payment of £25 to the church, towards the maintenance of the cemetery (*sic*), the Church Council to obtain the labour.

Any other business & footpaths

The council agreed to record a minute, regretting the passing of Mr Bart. CARTER [Edward Bartram CARTER died 3 May 1959, aged 65], who had served on this council in past years.

It was decided, though regretfully, that nothing could be done regarding the ploughing of a footpath at Hallatrow, the clerk being instructed to inform Mrs ROGERS (who had written on this subject) accordingly.

It was prop. that Mr F. HOOKE should be asked to clean two footpaths at High Littleton & one at Hallatrow; in the case of his refusal, Mr V. SAGE should be asked.

This concluded the business, the next meeting being left to the discretion (*sic*) of the chairman & clerk.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Oct'r 5th 1959.

Pages 218 and 219 were torn from the Minute Book, presumably because they had been spoiled. No minutes appear to be missing.

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A parish council meeting was held on **Monday October 6th [should be 5th] 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr A. MAGGS, S. HOWE, H. BRICE, H.T. HUNN, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that no information had been received (*sic*) from the Church Council, re the burial ground question & the clerk stated that he had visited Mrs ROGERS at Hallatrow & given the council's views on the question of the ploughing of footpaths.

He also stated that Mr V. SAGE had cleaned three footpaths for a payment of £6.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was decided to write to the S.W. Electricity Consultative Council, regarding the concern [*concern*] over cutting off electricity at Sunday lunch hours.

It was decided to take no action regarding the alteration to the Bath Bus timetables & the chairman, in reply to a letter, complaining of the poor state of Southover Rd., stated that action had been taken in this matter.

Precept

It was proposed & seconded that a precept for £30 be made.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of the state of a footpath leading from Rotcombe to Eastover &, after a discussion, the chairman agreed to consult Mr CLARK about this.

The question, of removing a seat from Rotcombe to a more suitable spot, was discussed & it was decided to place this matter on the agenda of the next meeting.

The next meeting was arranged for Mon. Nov. 2nd 1959.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 2 Nov'r 1959.

A parish council meeting was held on **Nov. 2nd 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, B. FORD, M. BROOKS, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN.

Apologies

Apology for non-attendance was received (*sic*) from H.T./J]. BRICE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the question of the removal of a seat was discussed & it was decided to leave the matter on the table.

Regarding the poor state of a footpath between Rotcombe & Eastover, the chairman stated that he had spoken to Mr CLARK & the matter would be attended to, when work on the site was completed.

Burial ground

A letter from the Church Paroc[h]ial Council, stating, with regret, that they could not accept the responsibility of providing a burial ground, was discussed. The chairman stated that the onus of providing & maintaining a burial ground fell on this council &, after discussing the matter, it was decided that a start should be made, by endeavoring (*sic*) to purchase land & the clerk was instructed to write the Rev. FRAMPTON (offering to buy) [Amended 8/12/59 to - & enquire as to the possibility of obtaining] a plot of land adjoining the churchyard.

Correspondence

Correspondence, regarding electricity breakdowns from the S.W. Consulta[ti]ve Electricity Council, were read & it was decided to adopt the views expressed by them.

A letter from Mr F.J. TRANTER, complaining about the poor state of a footpath, was discussed & it was proposed that a reply be made, to the effect that the matter was receiving (*sic*) attention & meanwhile, the views of the County Council should be obtained on the subject.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of cars & lorries parking without lights at Eastover &, after being informed that plans were being made to erect garages for cars on this site, it was agreed not to pursue (*sic*) the matter further.

A vote of thanks to Mr POWELL, for his excellent work during the water shortage, was passed unanimously.

It was agreed to post the usual notices re Mary JONES' Charity distribution.

The next meeting was arranged for Mon. Dec. 7th, to be followed by a Mary JONES' Charity meeting.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Feb'y 1st 1960.

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A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Dec. 7th 1959.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), H.T./J]. BRICE, M. BROOKS, H.T. HUNN, S. ORMAN, Mrs WRIGHT, A. MAGGS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read but were not agreed to, the meeting requesting an amendment as follows: "The clerk was instructed to write to the Rev. FRAMPTON & enquire as to the possibility of obtaining a plot of land adjoining the churchyard".

Matters Arising

The letter from this council to the Rev. FRAMPTON was read, as was the reply from him & the chairman gave details of a meeting between himself & Mr FRAMPTON, regarding the burial ground &, after discussing the matter, it was prop. by A. MAGGS & sec. by H. BRICE, that the matter be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

Finance

The meeting unanimously decided to request the R.D.C. for a four-penny rate to be levied for the financial year 1960/61. Members being informed that a penny rate in the parish was estimated to produce approx. £35.15s.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised the question of obtaining a chemist's shop in the village but it was agreed there was nothing this council could do in the matter.

The question of repairs to the Rotcombe – Eastover path was discussed & it was agreed that the chairman & Mr H. BRICE should inspect the path & proceed as they think fit.

Mr S. ORMAN enquired as to the possibility of having more buses through the village, now the railway had been closed & the clerk was instructed to write to the Bus Company on the subject.

The next meeting was arranged for Monday Feb. 1st 1960 & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Feb'y 1st 1960.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday Feb. 1st 1960.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), H.T. HUNN, A. MAGGS, S. ORMAN, S. HOWE, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

The chairman stated the [that], whilst he had not been in contact with Mr H.T./J]. BRICE, he had however endeavored (*sic*) to obtain an estimate for repairing both the Rotcombe – Eastover path & the path on the Batch leading to the recreation field & that the costs would be in the region of £100. After discussing the matter fully, it was decided to leave it in abeyance.

Correspondence with the Bristol Bus Co., relating to an increase of buses through the village, was read. Members regretting that the Company could not help in this matter. It was proposed that the clerk request the said Company to seek into the possibility of running a link up service between White Cross & Farmborough & also endeavor (*sic*) to devise a system of preventing, at the Bristol Bus Station, passengers on service 33 (all stops to Keynsham) riding on service 88 & 88a, thereby preventing intended passengers for this area from boarding the bus.

Precept

The meeting decided to precept for £30.

Any other business

Mr H.T. HUNN raised the question of an overhanging hedge at Greyfield & the clerk was instructed to write to Mr ASHMAN regarding the matter.

Mr HUNN raised the question of road attention in bad weather & Mr S. HOWE raised the problem of elderly people living alone on the Eastover Estate & being in need of care & attention. It was decided to take no action in either case.

The next meeting was arranged for 28th March 1960 at 7.30 p.m. & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 28 March 1960.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday March 28th 1960.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), M. BROOKS, H. BRICE, H.T. HUNN, S. ORMAN, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

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Matters Arising

The chairman stated that the Eastover - Rotcombe path had been repaired by laying red shale & Mr M. BROOKS extended his thanks for this & suggested that all that was now needed was a grating to catch the surface water from Eastover & it was agreed that Mr A. EVANS should be approached on the subject.

It was decided to place the question of the burial ground on the agenda of the Annual Parish Meeting & to view possible sites, prior to this meeting.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, it was learnt with regret that Mr B. FORD has resigned from the council & it was agreed that Mr A. EVANS should be invited to fill the vacancy & that the clerk should express the members' thanks to Mr FORD for his past services.

Further correspondence from the Bristol Bus Co., regretting any possibility of extension (*sic*) of bus services, was read & it was agreed it was not possible to pursue (*sic*) this matter further.

Finance

The clerk gave an estimated account of the financial position to the end of the financial year & was granted permission to obtain a precept book.

Cheques were made payable as follows: H. STYLES £5. 0. 0, Somerset Education Committee 18/-, C.W. SHEARN £18. 8.10d., SHAW & Sons £2. 1. 7.

The next meeting was arranged for Mon. April 11th at 7.15 p.m. (meet at the cemetery (*sic*) gates), to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m. in the school.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, April 11th 1960.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday April 11th 1960.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr M. BROOKS, H.T./J]. BRICE, H.T. HUNN, A. MAGGS, S. HOWE & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters Arising

Members having met at the cemetery (*sic*) & inspected a possible site for a new burial ground, discussed the question of developing the land a[d/]joining the rear of the present cemetery & it was agreed that no immediate action should be taken, with the exception of the chairman requesting the Vicar that no burials should be made in the area of the present cemetery, considered necessary (*sic*) for access to the proposed new cemetery.

Any other business

Complaints were received (*sic*), regarding the parking of lorries at Eastover & the nuisance caused by [by] the drivers revving them up in the early hours of the morning & it was proposed that the matter be taken up with the R.D.C.

Mr A. EVANS, having been co-opted to fill a vacancy on the council, was given a welcome by all members & thanked for accepting office.

The date of the next meeting was left to the discretion (*sic*) of the chairman & the clerk & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 4 July 1960.

The annual parish meeting, duly convened, was held in the school on **Monday April 11th 1960.**

Present

There were thirteen parish/i/oners present & Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman informed the meeting that the District Auditor had notified the Parish Council that the following minute prop. & sec. at the last annual meeting was contrary to the act: "It was prop. that the council should accumulate (*sic*) funds for this project (provision of a burial ground) by the levy of a four penny rate for three years, providing the church would accept the said burial ground & administer as at present." Mr A. MAGGS the proposed & Mr H.T. HUNN seconded "That, in accordance with the Auditor's wishes, this minute be resc/inded, as this method of dealing with the matter does not comply with section 10 of the act, inasmuch the Parish Council could contribute in this way towards maintaining a burial ground but not providing the same." The proposition was carried unanimously. The chairman further stated that the parish council were still concerned with providing an additional burial ground & one suggested site had already been inspected, though no decision on the purchase or the administration had yet been made.

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Chairman's Report

The chairman gave a detailed report, both of the work of the parish council & of his efforts, on behalf of the parish, on the Rural District Council, dealing with a number of subjects, including the probable sewage scheme, maintainan[c]/e (*sic*) of footpaths, the council's fight against the closure of the local railway, the unsuccess[s]/ful attempt to obtain a more frequent bus service.

Mention was also made of the loss to the village by the death, during the past year, of Mr Bart. CARTER, who had done so much for the village in past years. The meeting fully concurring with these sentiments.

In conclusion, he welcomed Mr A. EVANS to the council in place of Mr B. FORD, who had resigned & thanked the council for supporting him during the year & the parish[i]oners for attending the meeting.

Mary JONES' Charity

The minutes of Mary JONES' Charity were read & the names of the recipients were taken as read & the trustees thanked for their work in connection with this charity.

Accounts

The clerk presented the accounts to the meeting & they were adopted & a vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs WRIGHT for collecting the garden rents.

Any other business

Questions were asked regarding the advertising of the meeting, the clerk stating that notices were posted in the village & it was advertised in the local press & this was felt to be adequate.

The meeting proposed a most sincere & hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for his ex[c]ellent work on behalf of the parish & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Ap'l 10th 1961.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday July 4th 1960.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE, Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr S. HOWE, Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr H. BRICE, M. BROOKS, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr S. ORMAN & the clerk.

Election of Officers

Mr A.H. GORE was elected chairman & Mrs M. WRIGHT vice chairman for the ensuing year, both appointments being unanimous (*sic*).

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed upon.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the meeting was informed that the nuisance, caused by lorries at Eastover, had abated, following action by the R.D.C.

Correspondence

Arising from the correspondence, a letter from Farmborough P.C., relating to the improvement in bus services, by linking Bath & Bristol Buses at Farmborough, was read. The clerk stated that he had replied to this letter, endorsing the support of this council, & this action was approved by the meeting.

The chairman gave notice of the proposed alteration to a footpath at Hallatrow & it was decided that there be no objection to the project by this council.

Burial Ground

After a full discussion on this subject, it was agreed to endeavor (*sic*) to re-open discussions with the Church Council.

Precept

It was prop. & sec. to precept for £50.

Any other business

It was prop. by Mr H. BRICE & sec. by Mr M. BROOKS, that "This council deplores the lack of sporting facilities at the school & requests the clerk to write to the correspondent of the managers, to see if any improvement could be effected."

Cheques

The following cheques, having been made payable, were agreed by the meeting: S.W.E.B. £1. 5. 5d., Somerset Guardian 7/-, H. BRICE £2.

This concluded the business, the next meeting being left to the descretion (*sic*) of the chairman & the clerk.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Sept'r 5th 1960.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday Sept. 5th 1960.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), H.T/[J]. BRICE, M. BROOKS, S. HOWE, A. MAGGS, A.E/[H]. EVANS, H.T. HUNN, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apology for non-attendance being recieved (*sic*) from Mr S. ORMAN.

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Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman read a letter from the school headmaster, giving his views on the question of sporting facilities at the school. It was decided that, whilst not agreeing with the views of the headmaster, no further action could be taken regarding the subject, at the present time.

Correspondence

Correspondence from the Miners' Welfare was read & discussed & it was agreed that, whilst the council could not commit itself as such, individual members would volunteer to help in any project for the betterment of sport in the village & for the upkeep of the Welfare field.

Cpt. SCOBELL

The chairman made mention of the passing of Capt. Walter SCOBELL [*Walter Barton SCOBELL died 28 July 1960, aged 73*], who had been a member of the Parish Council for many years in the past & who had done much good work for the parish. His death bringing a feeling of sincere regret. All members concurred with these remarks.

King George Jubille (sic) Trust

An appeal for donations, with the possibility of a house to house collection, for King George's Jubille Trust, was discussed & it was decided to leave the matter on the table.

Shelter Light

The chairman stated that he had arranged for P. & A. Electrics to maintain the light in the bus shelter & this action was approved by all members.

Any other business

Mr A. MAGGS complained regarding the maintenance of secondary roads in the district, stressing the fact of overhanging hedges, whilst other members complained that even the main roads were never cleaned. It was then proposed that the clerk write to the R.D.C. on the subject.

Footpaths

It was agreed to have the footpath on the Batch cleaned & the [*clerk*] to purchase & apply weed killer to the path.

Accounts

Cheques were made payable as follows: HADDEN, BEST & Co. £1. 3. 9, Somerset Education Committee 9/-, S.W.E.B. 10/6.

This concluded the business, the next meeting being arranged for Monday Oct. 3rd 1960.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Oct'r 3rd 1960.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday October 3rd 1960.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr S. ORMAN, Mr A.E[H]. EVANS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the clerk stated that no reply had been recieved (*sic*) from the R.D.C. regarding complaints about road conditions in the district. In reply the chairman stated that he had raised the matter at a R.D.C. meeting & some hedges had been trimmed back recently in the area.

Cheque

The meeting was informed that the path on the Batch had been cut & cleaned & Mr HOWE had been paid £2 by cheque. Approval for this action was endorsed.

Mr BRICE

The chairman drew attention to the fact that Mr H.T[J]. BRICE was at present in hospital. All members expressed their sympathy[y] & the clerk was requested to write Mr BRICE, wishing him a speedy recovery.

Burial Ground

After discussing this subject & being informed that the Church Council had made no further move in the matter, it was agreed to place the question before the parish[i]oners at the Parish Meeting, providing negotiations with the Church had not reached a stage where agreement was imminent.

This concluded the business, the next meeting being provisionally arranged for Dec. 5th 1960.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Dec'r 5th 1960.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday Dec. 5th 1960.**

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Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, A. MAGGS, A. EVANS, S. HOWE, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, M. BROOKS & the clerk.

Apologies

Apology for non-attendance was received (*sic*) from Mr H.T./J]. BRICE & the chairman expressed the wish of all members, in hoping that Mr BRICE would very soon be well enough to attend these meetings.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Mr A. MAGGS raised the question of workmen failing to clear the rubbish after cutting hedges, but no action was taken re this matter.

It was decided to leave further action, in relation to a burial ground, in abeyance.

Capt. SCOBELL

The will of Capt. SCOBELL, inasmuch as it affects this council, was read & discussed.

Bus Services

Correspondence, relating to the alteration of bus services, was read & it was decided to make no objection to the said alterations.

Any other business

On a proposition by Mr A. MAGGS & seconded by Mr S. HOWE, it was agreed to provide lights in three bus shelters & that the chairman should approach the S.W.E.B. re charges.

Mr HUNN raised a question regarding the methods of letting council garages & Mr A. EVANS complained that boys were being taught knitting in the school. In this respect it was agreed to ask the parents of the children concerned, to discuss the matter with either of the school managers.

Complaints about the smell of sewage at Greyfield were raised by Mr HUNN & endorsed by Mr ORMAN & the chairman agreed to take the matter up with the sanitary inspector.

Cheques

A cheque for £1. 6s. 0 was made payable to the S.W.E.B.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 6 Feb'y 1961.

A parish council meeting was held on **Mon. Feb. 6th 1961.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, A. MAGGS, H.T. HUNN, M. BROOKS, H.T./J]. BRICE, A.E. EVANS & the clerk.

Apologies

Apology for non-attendance was received (*sic*) from Mr S. ORMAN & the chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Mr H.T./J]. BRICE, now recovered from illness.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that he had enquired into the question of the non-clearance of hedge cuttings & that the R.D.C. workmen would endeavor (*sic*) to clear such rubbish in future.

Regarding the lighting of the bus shelters, he stated that no information re charges had been received but the S.W.E.B. were in contact with the P.O. telephones, re the use of their poles.

The chairman further stated that no further news re Cpt. SCOBELL's will had been received & that the sanitary inspector was dealing with the nuisance at Greyfield.

Finance

It was agreed that the estimated rate to be levied for 1961/62 should be 2d.

Correspondence

Arising from a letter from Mr BUSH, re a dirty ditch at Mearns, Mr M. BROOKS was authorised to approach Mr BUSH, with a view to cleaning the said ditch.

The clerk was instructed to reply to a letter from Miss D. MAGGS, regretting the council could not employ anyone to clean the bus shelter.

Any other business

Mr H. BRICE raised the question of the large numbers of rats in the village & the chairman agreed to contact the Rodent Officer.

Mrs WRIGHT complained of the dirty state of Langford's Lane & the question of an alteration of Postal Services was discussed & this concluded the business.

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Cheques

The council approved the payment of a cheque to Mr A. EVANS for payment of the insurance premium 30/- & to the Somerset Education Comm. for hire of school, Autumn Term 25/-
[Signed] A.H. GORE, 13 March 1961.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday March 13th 1961.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), M. BROOKS, S. HOWE, A. EVANS, S. ORMAN, A. MAGGS, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apologies

Apology for non-attendance was recieved (*sic*) from Mr H.T/[J]. BRICE.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that no further information had been received (*sic*) from S.W.E.B re providing further shelter lights, neither did he know whether the rodent officer had visited the parish; he had been approached on the subject & he (the chairman) would, however, make further inquiries.

Cpt. SCOBELL

The chairman gave members further information (to members), relating to the will of the late Cpt. W. SCOBELL The solicitors of Cpt. SCOBELL having intimated that property left by him would not be coming to this council. After discussing the matter, it was Proposed that the chairman, Mr S. ORMAN & Mr A. MAGGS, should meet the solicitors to seek further information on the subject.

Any other business

Correspondence, relating to the change of licensee at the Star Inn, was read & no objection was raised to Mr PAIN's application for the tenancy of the Star Inn.

The meeting agreed that the new housing site should be named Westwood Av., Greyfield & the R.D.C. notified accordingly.

Cemetery (*sic*) Finances

Mr A. MAGGS prop. & Mr BROOKS sec. that this council endeavor (*sic*) to employ someone to clean the cemetery & that the sum of £30 be set aside for this project.

Finance

Approval was given for the payment of a cheque for £5 to W. BUSH for repair[ing] footpath at Mearns.

Cheques were made payable as follows: C.W. SHEARN £18. 4. 5, STYLES £5, Som. Ed. Committee £1, S.W.E.B. £1.11. 9.

It was decided to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on April 10th at 8 p.m., to be proceeded [*preceded*] by a council meeting at 7.15 p.m.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Ap'l 10th 1961.

A parish council meeting was held on **April 10th 1961.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr A. MAGGS, Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr H. BRICE, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr S. HOWE, Mr A. EVANS & the clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, members were informed that the rodent officer had now attended to the rat menace & it was hoped there would be no further trouble in this respect.

The chairman gave details of a meeting with the solicitors of the late Cpt. SCOBELL, relating to his will, stating that it now appeared certain, that certain property of Cpt. SCOBELL would not be coming to the council but there was still a possibility that the £50 may be forthcoming.

Any other business

Mr HUNN raised the question of the obstruction to a footpath & drew attention to broken fencing on a footpath boundary at Southover. It was agreed to deal with these matters.

The chairman thanked all councillors for their help & assistance during their term of office & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 29 May 1961.

The Annual Parish Meeting, duly convened, was held in the school on **Monday April 10th 1961.**

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Present

There were 24 parish/*i*/oners present & Mr A.H. GORE occupied the chair.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the meeting was informed that no further progress had been made in obtaining another burial ground but the parish council were prepared to pay for labour to clean up the existing cemetery (*sic*) & that the sewage scheme project was still being developed.

Chairman's Report

At the commencement of his report, the chairman referred to the passing of the late Cpt. W. SCOBELL, his death being a great loss to the village. In his will Cpt. SCOBELL had shown great genero(u)sity to the parish but, owing to legal difficulties, the council would not benefit to any great extent.

He then continued to give a detailed report of the council's activities in the past year & also of his work on the R.D.C., stating that it was hoped to have lights in all bus shelters by the next winter, that footpaths had been kept in repair & matters appertaining to the school had been discussed with the school managers. In conclusion he thanked his fellow councillors for their work & help given to him during the year.

Accounts

The clerk presented the audited accounts to the meeting & they were adopted.

Mary JONES' Charity

The minutes of Mary JONES' Charity [*were*] read & the names of the recipients were taken as read & the trustees thanked for their work in connection with this charity.

Any other business

Questions, regarding the increase in Rents for the old type council houses, were asked by Mrs M. MOODY, whilst Mr C. CHURCH enquired as to what the R.D.C. considered constituted a lodger in a council house, both these points being dealt with by the chairman.

Mrs MEREWETHER raised the question of the non-sweeping of roads in the parish & Mr H. HUNN & Mr C. CHURCH informed the meeting that there was a dangerous wire boundary fence at Southover & that there was often an obstruction to a footpath leading from High St. to the British Legion Hut. It was proposed that these matters be dealt with by the council.

Mr OSBORNE thanked the council for their efforts in having a bye road at Goosard Lane adopted by the R.D.C., at the same time requesting that a ditch at this spot be covered over or dealt with in a like manner. It was agreed to seek further into this matter.

A vote of thanks to the chairman, for his excellent work on behalf of the parish, was proposed by Mr A. MAGGS & sec. by Mrs C. SMITH, this being carried unanimously.

This concluded the business.

[*Signed*] A.H. GORE, April 9th 1962.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Mon. May 29th 1961.**

Present

A.H. GORE, H.T./J/. BRICE, H.T. HUNN, S.J. ORMAN, C.G. CHURCH, M. BROOKS, G. BLINMAN, L. CLEAVES, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Election of Officers

Mr A.H. GORE was unanimously elected chairman for the ensuing year & Mrs WRIGHT was elected vice chairman.

School Managers

Mrs M. WRIGHT & Mr L. CLEAVES were elected to be school managers for the triennial period ending June 1964.

Mary JONES' Char. Trustees

Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr H.T. HUNN & Mr C. CHURCH were elected to serve as trustees to Mary JONES' Charity.

Press Officers

Mr H.T./J/. BRICE & the clerk were elected as press officers.

Allot(t)ment Committee

Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk were elected as allot(t)ment committee.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the question of the repairs to the wire on the path boundary at Southover, was discussed but no decision was reached regarding any further action being taken in the matter. The broken wire having been removed by the R.D.C. workmen.

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Members stated that the rat menace was still in ex(s)istence at Scumbrum & the clerk was instructed to notify the Rodent Officer accordingly.

Mr HUNN & Mr CHURCH stated that there had been no further obstruction to the footpath leading to the British Legion hut & the meeting agreed to allow the matter to rest.

Burial Ground

The meeting a/d/journed to visit the cemetery (*sic*), to inspect the work being done there &, on resumption, it was unanimously agreed that Mr W. BIGGS was doing satisfactory work & that it should continue & that the council should pay for the tools provided, the work so far completed &, on completion of the job, any expenses incurred over & above the £30 earmarked for this project.

Finance

The chairman raised the question of the clerk's salary &, in the absence of the clerk, it was decided that the clerk's salary should be £35 per annum. The clerk expressed his thanks for this action & for the confidence members had in him.

Any other business

The poor condition of the Rotcombe Mearns road was discussed, as was also the general untidiness of roads & pavements in the village & it was proposed that the R.D.C. be notified re these matters.

Mr BRICE informed the meeting that the footbridge in Greyfield Woods was broken & unusable & it was prop. that the clerk should take action re this matter.

Mr CHURCH complained about the overgrown path at the Batch & it was prop. that Mr HOWE be asked to clean the said path for the same fee as in 1960.

The clerk notified members of the balance c/f at the end of the financial year, viz. £57.13. 5 & it was decided not to precept for any further monies at this meeting.

Cheques were made payable as follows: S.W.E.B. £1. 6. 0, HADDEN, BEST & Co. 5/9, H. BRICE £1, A.H. GORE £17.12s. 7d., the latter being £14.10s. 0d. Wages pd. to Mr W. BIGGS & £3. 2s. 7d. for tools.

It was decided to have a notice Board.

The next meeting was arranged for Monday July 3rd at 7.30 p.m. & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 3 July 1961.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on Monday July 3rd 1961.

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), H.T./J/. BRICE, M. BROOKS, S. ORMAN, L.T. CLEAVES, C.G. CHURCH, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were recieved (*sic*) from Mr H.T. HUNN & Mr G. BLINMAN.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the clerk stated that Mr B. HOWE had cleaned the path on the Batch for the sum of £2 & that he had as/c/ertained from Mr A. JAMES that the notice board owned by him was unsuitable & that he, the clerk, was in contact with Mr A. EVANS re the making of a new board, which it was hoped would be stood outside Mr JAMES' shop.

He further stated that the rat menace had been dealt with again & there was no trouble in this respect at present.

Correspondence

The chairman read letters from Miss FISHER, Miss SMITH & Mrs CLEAVES, thanking the council for the inter/e/st shown in their athletic prowess/s/.

Arising from a letter from the S.W.E.B., it was unanimously decided not to proceed with the project of lighting bus shelters, owing to the prohibitive costs.

Cemetery (*sic*)

It was proposed by Mr H.T./J/. BRICE & sec. by Mr C.G. CHURCH, that a sum of £25 should be earmarked for payment for work on the cemetery, this being in addition to the £30 previously allocated. It was further agreed to pay Mr W. BIGGS the sum of £14. 8s. for work so far completed, the cheque being made payable to Mr A.H. GORE.

Precept

The meeting decided to precept for £30 & approval was given for cheques made out as follows: B. HOWE £2, B. HEAL 15/-.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS stated that the new litter basket in the High St. bus shelter had already been broken, & also complained of the untidiness of the property of Mr CARTER, at the end of Eastover Rd. He also drew attention to the direlect (*sic*) building at the top of Rotcombe. The chairman stated that he would seek into the possibility

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of the removal of the latter complaint but felt sorry that little could be done regarding the two previous problems, members concurring to this decision.

Mr ORMAN enquired if the council had recieved (*sic*) the £50 bequeathed by the late Capt. SCOBELL. On receiving a negative answer, he proposed the clerk write to the executors re this monies, the proposition being carried unanimously.

This concluded the business, the next meeting being arranged for Mon. Sept. 4th at 7.30 p.m.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 4 Sept. 1961.

Pages 244 & 245 missing from Minute Book but no minutes omitted.

A parish council meeting was held on **Sept. 4th 1961.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr C. CHURCH, Mr H.T./J]. BRICE, Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr L. CLEAVES & the clerk.

Mr S. ORMAN being unavoidably absent owing to holidays.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, it was prop. that the clerk should write to Messrs GREGORY & CHIVERS, regarding a direct (*sic*) building at the top of Rotcombe.

Cemetery (*sic*)

Members noted that the work of cleaning & making the cemetery presentable, was almost completed & agreed that Mr W. BIGGS had done a satisfactory job. Mr H.T./J]. BRICE then proposed that Mr BIGGS should be employed at the council's discretion, to keep the cemetery in good order in the future. It was further agreed to pay him the sum of £21 for work completed to date.

Correspondence

Arising from correspondence from Messrs THATCHER & HALLAM, it was prop. to leave the question of the late Capt. SCOBELL's legacy on the table.

A letter, notifying of the availability of anti snake bite serum at Paulton & Wells Hospitals, was made know[n] to members.

Any other business

Mr H.T. HUNN raised the question of damage caused to pedestrians by loose wire in the fence on the path boundary from Southover to the Legion Hut & the chairman stated that he would deal with this problem, as he was under the impression that the trouble had been rectified.

Mr H.T./J]. BRICE informed members that there was a distinct possibility that the Miners' Welfare would, in the near future, request the diversion of a footpath in field No. O.S. 305 & it was agreed that no objection should be raised by this council to the said diversion.

Mr L.T. CLEAVES raised the question of a fares anomaly at bus stops at Hallatrow, the clerk being asked to contact the bus company on this matter.

Mr C.G. CHURCH raised the question of providing a post box at the Batch & also commented on the danger there, especially in darkness, at the site of the road improvements, of some time past. It was agreed to apply for a post box & to inspect the road works prior to the next meeting.

Cheques

Cheques were made payable as follows: A.H. GORE (per W. BIGGS) £21, S.W.E.B. 16/4, P. & A. Electrics £2.16. 8d., So. Ed. Committee 15/- & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 6 Nov'r 1961.

A parish council meeting was held on **Monday Nov. 6th 1961.**

Present

A.H. GORE (chairman), Mrs M. WRIGHT, M. BROOKS, C.G. CHURCH, G. BLINMAN, S. ORMAN, H.T. HUNN, L.T. CLEAVES.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that he had inspected the wire boundary of the path leading to the Legion Hut, in the company of Mr CLARK & suggested that no action need be taken, pending the proposed widening of the said path; he had also discussed the problem at the Batch with the District Surveyor, who had agreed to endeavor (*sic*) to effect alterations & to place the proposed improvements in next year's estimates, provided the householder (Mr SHEPPARD) agrees.

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Correspondence

Arising from a request from Mr B. AVERY, it was agreed to ask the respective companies their views on painting electric & telegraph poles white, in cases where they are sited on the pavement & liable to cause obstruction to pedestrians.

An invitation from the British Legion, to attend the Remembrance Service, was read & it was agreed to leave the decision to individual members.

Correspondence, relating to Charities administered by councils, was discussed & it was decided to reply, stating that this council are interested in the proposals outlined but wish to consider the detailed arrangements before deciding to participate.

Letters re bus fares & time tables were read & the contents considered satisfactory.

Members disagreed with the views expressed by the Postal Authorities re the provision of a post box & the clerk was instructed to press the matter further.

Correspondence from the Mendip Moral Welfare & from Fire Prevention Soc. were passed to Mrs M. WRIGHT, in the hope that the Women's Institute could deal with these matters.

Mary JONES' Charity

It was decided to post the usual notices relating to this charity & to hold the annual meeting on Dec. 11th or 12th.

Any other business

Complaints, re overhanging hedges at Mearns, were discussed & the clerk instructed to write to the farmer concerned.

Mr L.T. CLEAVES raised the question of adopting the Street Light(en)ing Acts &, after a discussion & on a motion by Mr G. BLINMAN, it was agreed to place the matter on the agenda of the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was left to the discretion of the chairman & the clerk & this concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, Jan'y 22nd 1962.

A parish council meeting was held in the school on **Monday January 22nd 1962.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE (chairman), Mr H.T./J.J. BRICE, Mr L.T. CLEAVES, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr S. ORMAN, Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr C.G. CHURCH, Mrs M. WRIGHT & the clerk.

Mr G. BLINMAN sent his apologies for non-attendance.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, the chairman stated that he had toured the village with a representative from the Postal Authority &, at a later date, communication had been received, stating that they could not consider the provision of a post box on the Batch.

Regarding requests to the Post Office Telephones & S.W.E.B., to paint poles sited on the pavement, the former replied, stating that the council could paint their poles, if they so desired, whilst the latter stated their poles could not be painted, owing to being treated with creosote. It was then proposed that Mr A. EVANS be contacted, with a view to attaching white wooden strips on the dangerous poles in the High St.

Arising from the discussion at the previous meeting, on the question of adopting the Street Light(en)ing Act, the chairman stated the [that] he had been in contact with the S.W.E.B. & a quotation for lighting the parish was awaited from them.

Burial Ground

The chairman gave details of a meeting with Mr WILTSHIRE, at which various sites for a burial ground had been suggested & that he (the chairman) thought it possible that Mr WILTSHIRE might be agreeable to giving the council land at Langford's Lane; however, as Mr L.J. FILER was not present, the matter was held in abeyance.

Sewage

The plans, for the proposed sewage scheme for the parish, were studied & considered satisfactory. Mr M. BROOKS enquired as to when the project would commence & was informed that it was impossible to say but it would be some considerable time.

Finance & Precept, Cheques

The estimates for the financial year 1962/63 were discussed & it was prop. by Mr S. ORMAN & sec. by Mr H.T./J.J. BRICE, that the estimated rate be that of 3d. & the R.D.C. notified accordingly.

It was further agreed to precept for £40 & approval for the signature of the following cheques was received (sic): S.W.E.B. £1. 7. 5, A. EVANS £3.11. 0d., Somerset Education Com. £1. 0. 0, N.E.M. £1.10. 0d.

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Cpt. SCOBELL Deceased

Information, relating to the will of the late Cpt. SCOBELL, was presented to the meeting, the solicitors intimating that, in addition to the £50 earmarked for the council, there was the possibility of a gift of £180, this being the assessment of the property at Mearns. This information was received with satisfaction by all members.

Correspondence

Correspondence, relating to an appeal by the Oxford Committee for Famine Relief, was read & it was decided to take no action.

A letter from the Bristol Bus Company was read, this being notification of the fact that arrangements had been made to connect service 136, with service 59 from Bath, at the Butcher's Arms, Farmborough & it was agreed that these arrangements were working satisfactorily at present.

Any other business

Mr H.T. HUNN raised the question of a petition, relating to Greyfield road, & presented by him to the clerk, & asked why this had not been dealt with in the correspondence. The chairman replied, stating that he considered the methods used to present the petition were unconstitutional & was waiting for the matter to be brought up under any other business. This did not meet with the approval of the council [*This sentence added later*]. Mr HUNN proceeded to raise the matter [*altered from - This Mr HUNN proceeded to do*] & he was supported by Mr S.J. ORMAN, in being of the opinion that the condition of Greyfield Rd. was a disgrace (*sic*). After holding a discussion on the subject, it was agreed to write to the contractor (*sic*) & the chairman agreed to keep members informed of any information or developments.

Mr H.T./J. BRICE raised the complaints of parishioners re water accumulation (*sic*) on the footpath between Eastover & Southover, re waste land at Eastover, which tenants wish to take over as their front gardens & trouble with a stop cock at Greyfield corner. The chairman replied that he would take these matters up with the heads of the departments concerned on the R.D.C.

The clerk stated that the council's notice board had been erected & suggested that Mr A. JAMES be asked to apply the appropriate lettering on the board & this was agreed to.

Mrs M. WRIGHT raised the question of the stopping of a footpath at Hallatrow & the clerk stated that he would seek further into this matter &, if necessary, write to the farmer concerned.

The next meeting was arranged for March 5th at 7.30 p.m. & this concluded the business.

Postscript

The chairman Mr A.H. GORE, during the discussion on Greyfield Rd., gave notice of his interest in matters appertaining to Greyfield Rd.

[Signed] M. WRIGHT, March 5th 1962.

Pages 254 & 255 missing from Minute Book but no minutes omitted.

A parish council meeting was held at the school on **Monday March 5th 1962.**

Present

Mr A.H. GORE sent his apologies for non-attendance & Mrs M. WRIGHT occupied the chair, the following members being present: Mr C.G. CHURCH, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr L.T. CLEAVES, Mr H.T./J. BRICE, Mr M. BROOKS, Mr H.T. HUNN, Mr S. ORMAN & the clerk.

Minutes

The clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting &, after the insertion of two amendments, these were agreed to.

Matters Arising

Arising from the minutes, it was agreed that, the application of white strips to a telegraph pole, was satisfactory but it was decided not to deal with any more at present.

The clerk stated that the obstruction to a footpath, at Hallatrow, had been removed & trouble with the stop cock at Greyfield corner dealt with, whilst the chairman had informed him the question of footpath repairs & waste land, both at Eastover, were being dealt with by the R.D.C. officials.

Street Lighting

A quotation for lighting the parish with 71 lamps, at a cost of £1,780, together with £88 app. maintenance costs, was discussed & the maps, showing positions of lights, perused; after discussing the matter, it was proposed by Mr G. BLINMAN & seconded by Mr H.T./J. BRICE, that a special meeting, to go thoroughly into the question of Street Lighting, should be held on Monday March 19th at 7.30 p.m., this being carried unanimously.

Cpt. SCOBELL's Legacy

The chairman read a further letter from the solicitors re this matter & the clerk stated that the solicitors had requested the Mary JONES' Charity Book. After a discussion [*discussion*], the clerk was instructed to ask for the return of the said book & it was prop. by Mr H.T./J. BRICE that, any monies accruing from the will of Cpt. SCOBELL, should not be made over to Mary JONES' Charity, unless approval of this council be granted.

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Finance

Correspondence from the R.D.C., stating that “it is not proposed to levy an additional rate for your parish, as there is a sufficient balance in hand to meet your estimated precept”, was brought to the notice of the meeting. Members were dissatisfied with this notification & it was prop. by Mr G. BLINMAN & sec. by Mr H.T/[J]. BRICE, That the clerk write the Rating Auth., requesting the council be notified [of] the exact amount of credit held by them.

The following cheques were agreed to & made payable: C.W. SHEARN £36. 0s. 5d., H. STYLES £5, S.W.E.B. £1.11s.10, A. EVANS £1. 7s. 6d.

Correspondence

A letter from the haulage contractors, regarding Greyfield Rd., was read & discussed & it was agreed that no further action was nec(c)essary.

Any other business

Mr M. BROOKS raised a complaint re a pavement subsiding, after repairs by the Bristol Water Works. The clerk was instructed to deal with this matter.

Mr C.G. CHURCH raised the question of the problem of elderly people in council houses on the Batch. Members agreeing that this was a real problem, appertaining to many old people living alone but they felt that nothing could be done towards having a warden or some other kind of aid on this particular site &, on the proposition by Mr L.T. CLEAVES, sec. by Mr C.G. CHURCH, the clerk was instructed to write to the R.D.C., requesting that, when a further allocation of council houses was granted to this parish, consideration be given to the wishes of this parish council, in respect of providing old people’s dwellings with the provision of a warden.

Mr H.T/[J]. BRICE raised a complaint of a footpath at Gooseherd being inacces/s/able & the clerk stated he would deal with the matter.

The chairman drew attention to the activity of the Mendip Moral Welfare Ass. & gave a brief resume of the functions. However, the meeting did not commit(t) its self to supporting this Association.

This concluded the business.

[Signed] A.H. GORE, 19th Mar. 1962.

PARISH COUNCILLORS

The normal period of office of a parish councillor was three years and in his or her year of election the newly elected councillor took office from 15th April. From the inception of the Parish Council in 1894, High Littleton elected six councillors but in 1946 the Council was enlarged to nine members. Because of the war no Council elections were held in 1940 and 1943 and so the Council elected in 1937 (with the exception of one member who died), continued in office for nine years. From 1958 the Council was empowered to elect thirteen members but chose not to elect more than nine.

<u>Period</u>	<u>Elected Councillors</u>
1925/6-1927/8	Alfred Nash BEACHAM, Albert Victor CAREY, William Frederick CARTER, Gilbert Brice CLEAVES, Walter DOBSON (resigned 30 Mar 1927), Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL, James WYATT (co-opted 22 Apr 1927).
1928/9-1930/1	Albert Victor CAREY, Ernest CARTER, William Frederick CARTER, Gilbert Brice CLEAVES, Alfred George SALMON, Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1931/2-1933/4	Albert Victor CAREY, William Frederick CARTER, Gilbert Brice CLEAVES, James HOLVEY, Alfred George SALMON, Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1934/5-1936/7	Albert Victor CAREY, William Frederick CARTER, Gilbert Brice CLEAVES (resigned 17 Apr 1934), Gilbert Peter DANDO, Charles Walter Reginald HELLIKER (co-opted 20 May 1936), James HOLVEY (resigned 1936), Alfred George SALMON (co-opted 17 Apr 1934), Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1937/8-1945/6	Albert Victor CAREY (co-opted 14 Feb 1940), William Frederick CARTER, Gilbert Peter DANDO (died 15 Jan 1940), Albert Charles FRICKER, Frederick James HOOKE, George MAULE, Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1946/7-1948/9	W. BARNES, Charles Edward BOLWELL, Frederick G. BOX (resigned 3 Jul 1947), Frederick BROOKS, Matthew BROOKS, William Frederick CARTER (died 28 Dec 1946), Albert Charles FRICKER, Frederick William HATHWAY, Frederick James HOOKE (co-opted 2 Jan 1947), R. SAGE (co-opted 11 Sep 1947), Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1949/50-1951/2	W. BARNES, Frederick James BELCHER (sen'r), Frederick Albert George BELCHER (jn'r), Charles Edward BOLWELL, Herbert John BRICE, Frederick BROOKS, Frederick James HOOKE, George MAULE, Capt. Walter Barton SCOBELL.
1952/3-1954/5	Herbert John BRICE, Matthew BROOKS, Arthur Henry EVANS, Arthur Henry GORE, Thomas HARRIS, Frederick James HOOKE (co-opted 1 Jun 1953), Stanley HOWE, Arthur James MAGGS, Clarence William Frederick SHEARN (resigned 1 Jun 1953), Marjorie WRIGHT.
1955/6-1957/8	Herbert John BRICE (resigned 25 July 1955), Matthew BROOKS, Arthur Henry EVANS, Arthur Henry GORE, Thomas HARRIS (resigned 25 July 1955), Benjamin HEATON (co-opted 7 Nov 1955), Frederick James HOOKE, Stanley HOWE, Arthur James MAGGS, Marjorie WRIGHT.
1958/9-1961/2	Herbert John BRICE, Matthew BROOKS, Arthur Henry EVANS (co-opted 11 Apr 1960), Brynley George FORD (resigned 28 March 1960), Arthur Henry GORE, Stanley HOWE, Herbert Thomas HUNN, Arthur James MAGGS, Sidney James ORMAN, Marjorie WRIGHT.
1961/2-1963/4	George Herbert BLINMAN, Herbert John BRICE, Matthew BROOKS, Cyril George CHURCH, Lawrence Tremblett CLEAVES, Arthur Henry GORE, Herbert Thomas HUNN, Sidney James ORMAN, Marjorie WRIGHT.

CHAIRMEN & VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COUNCIL

<u>Year</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice Chairman</u>
1927/8	William Frederick CARTER	Gilbert Brice CLEAVES
1928/9	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1929/30	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1930/1	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1931/2	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1932/3	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1933/4	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1934/5	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1935/6	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1936/7	William Frederick CARTER	Albert Victor CAREY
1937/8	William Frederick CARTER	Gilbert Peter DANDO
1938/9	William Frederick CARTER	Gilbert Peter DANDO
1939/40	William Frederick CARTER	Gilbert Peter DANDO (died 15 Jan 1940)
1940/1	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1941/2	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1942/3	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1943/4	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1944/5	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1945/6	William Frederick CARTER	None specifically appointed
1946/7	William Frederick CARTER (died 28 Dec 1946)	Walter Barton SCOBELL
	Walter Barton SCOBELL (appointed 2 Jan 1947)	Frederick G. BOX (appointed 2 Jan 1947)
1947/8	Walter Barton SCOBELL	Frederick G. BOX (resigned 3 July 1947)
		Frederick James HOOKE
1948/9	Walter Barton SCOBELL	Frederick James HOOKE
1949/50	Walter Barton SCOBELL	Frederick James HOOKE
1950/1	Walter Barton SCOBELL	Frederick James HOOKE
1951/2	Walter Barton SCOBELL	Frederick James HOOKE
1952/3	Herbert John BRICE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1953/4	Herbert John BRICE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1954/5	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1955/6	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1956/7	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1957/8	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1958/9	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1959/60	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1960/1	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT
1961/2	Arthur Henry GORE	Marjorie WRIGHT

CLERK

William Henry MARTIN was appointed as Clerk on 27 July 1896 and held that office until his death on 8 April 1934.

He was succeeded by Gilbert Brice CLEAVES, who was appointed Clerk on 17 April 1934, having first resigned as a Councillor.

In 1953 CLEAVES announced his intention of retiring at the end of the year 1953/4, by which time he would have completed 50 years service as Councillor and Clerk.

Clarence William Frederick SHEARN, resigned as a Councillor on 1 June 1953, in order that he could take over the Clerk's duties from CLEAVES. For ten months SHEARN carried out the Clerk's duties, ostensibly as Assistant to CLEAVES. CLEAVES retired on 5 April 1954, whereupon SHEARN became Clerk officially and remained as such for many years thereafter.

SCHOOL MANAGERS

Gilbert Brice CLEAVES was School Manager from 18 July 1905 until 17 April 1934, when he resigned as a member of the Council to become Clerk.

Alfred George SALMON was appointed School Manager in CLEAVES' stead on 17 April 1934 and held that position until 14 April 1937.

Gilbert Peter DANDO was School Manager from 14 April 1937 until his death on 15 Jan 1940.

Frederick James HOOKE was appointed in DANDO's stead on 14 Feb 1940 and continued through 1951, when it became necessary for the Council to appoint two members to the Management Committee.

On 19 Feb 1951 Herbert John BRICE was nominated to join HOOKE as the second Manager.

On 30 June 1952 Herbert John BRICE and Arthur James MAGGS were appointed the School Managers. They resigned on 23 May 1955, when Marjorie WRIGHT and Frederick James HOOKE were appointed to fill the vacancies.

On May 19 1958 Marjorie WRIGHT and Herbert Thomas HUNN were appointed School Managers.

On May 29 1961 Marjorie WRIGHT and Lawrence Tremblett CLEAVES were appointed School Managers for the 3 years ending June 1964.

TRUSTEES OF MARY JONES' CHARITY

The Vicar of the day was an ex officio Trustee of the Charity. In addition, the Parish Council elected four Administering Trustees, who held office for four years. Every 2 years, two of the Administering Trustees retired and two more were appointed. Retiring Trustees were eligible for re-election. No elections were held during World War I. After World War I the normal pattern of electing Trustees was broken and they remained in office until replaced. In 1958 trustees were elected for a three year term.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Elected Administering Trustees</u>
1927	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Henry POLLETT.
1928	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Henry POLLETT.
1929	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Henry POLLETT.
1930	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Henry POLLETT (died 4 Dec 1930).
1931	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1932	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1933	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1934	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
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1938	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1939	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1940	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1941	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1942	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1943	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1944	Charles BLANNING, William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY.
1945	Charles BLANNING (died 28 March 1945), William BRICE, William Frederick CARTER, Albert Victor CAREY (resigned 1945), James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS.
1946	William BRICE (resigned 3 Jul 1946), William Frederick CARTER (died 28 Dec 1946), James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS (appointed 3 Jul 1946), Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1947	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1948	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1949	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1950	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1951	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1952	Frederick James HOOKE, James WYATT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.

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1956 Frederick James HOOKE, Marjorie WRIGHT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.
1957 Frederick James HOOKE, Marjorie WRIGHT, Matthew BROOKS, Thomas Walter BLANNING.

<u>Date appointed</u>	<u>Elected Administering Trustees (for 3 years)</u>
1 Sep 1958	Marjorie WRIGHT, Arthur James MAGGS, Herbert Thomas HUNN, Matthew BROOKS.
29 May 1961	Marjorie WRIGHT, Matthew BROOKS, Herbert Thomas HUNN, Cyril George CHURCH.

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