

VESTRY MINUTES

The earliest surviving Vestry Minutes, which date from 1755, are to be found in a book entitled HIGH LITTLETON CHURCH & POOR held at Somerset Record Office under reference D/P/lit.h 13/2/1. This book contains Poor Rate Assessments, Overseers' Accounts, Vestry Minutes and miscellaneous notes. At the back are Church Rate Assessments, Churchwardens' Accounts and some Vestry Minutes relating to the appointment of Churchwardens etc.

Listed at the front of the book are the names of Overseers, Churchwardens and Waywardens, who were appointed annually from 1734 to 1754. These were presumably extracted from a previous book that no longer survives. There are also lists of Discharges (Settlement Certificates), Examinations, Orders of Removal, Apprenticeship Indentures, Bonds and sundry other "Writings". This was possibly an inventory of documents, which were in the Parish Chest at that time. Many of the listed documents survive and have already been transcribed, as have the Rates Assessments and Churchwardens' Accounts.

The list of Overseers was extended during the currency of the book. Further lists of Overseers appointed from 1788 to 1811 may be found at the beginning of the next Poor Book (D/P/lit.h. 13/2/2) and from 1810 to 1842 in another Poor Book (D/P/lit.h. 13/2/3). Included in this file are names of some pre 1734 Church Wardens and Overseers.

From 1793 to 1825 minutes of General and some Select Vestry meetings were recorded in different books. From 1814 to 1821 minutes of Monthly Vestry meetings appear amongst the Overseers' Accounts, whilst further payments were made "on the orders of the Vestry" but no minutes to support them have been found. From 1843 some Vestry minutes, which deal with Church matters, appear amongst Churchwardens' Accounts. After the Vestry minutes of 1894 are draft minutes of the first three Parish Council meetings held in 1894 and 1895. The final signed versions of these appear in the Parish Council Minute Book and so have been ignored here. The Vestry's duties were much reduced following the Poor Law Amendment Act of 1834, when Unions assumed responsibility for dealing with the poor.

In producing this file the lists of annual parish appointees and other documents have been brought together and placed before the start of the Vestry Minutes. The Vestry Minutes, from whatever source, have been put in chronological order. Although minutes continue after 1910, it was decided to end at that point. In the transcriptions which follow, various additions have been made by the transcriber. These are shown *[in italics in square brackets]*. Surplus words or letters are shown (in round brackets, thus). Finally, there are Indexes of Names and Places & Subjects at the end of this file.

SOURCES

Church & Poor Book 1755 to 1787 - D/P/lit.h 13/2/1.

Poor Book 1788 to 1811 - D/P/lit.h 13/2/2.

Vestry Book/Mary Jones Charity 1793 to 1871 (minutes only to 1809) - D/P/lit.h 17/3/1.

Poor Book *[no name on cover]* 1812 to 1819 - D/P/lit.h 13/2/3.

Poor Book 1819 to 1836 (minutes only to 1825) - D/P/lit.h 13/2/4.

Orders of General Vestry/Select Vestry Book 1821 to 1843 - D/P/lit.h 9/1/1.

Vestry Book 1843 to 1858 - D/P/lit.h 9/1/2.

Vestry Book *[no name on cover]* 1858 to 1894 - D/P/lit.h 9/1/3.

Church Book 1842 to 1908 - D/P/lit.h 4/1/1.

Vestry Minute Book 1909 to 1937 - D/P/lit.h 9/1/4.

LISTS OF OVERSEERS, CHURCHWARDENS & WAYWARDENS

An Account of who serv'd Overseers from April 14th 1734 to the 15th April 1754.

Tho's HODGES & Jno. BRODRIBB	1734
Geo. HODGES & Jno. BRODRIBB for Wm. JAMES's Estate	1735
Tho's HODGES & Jno. DANDO	1736
Geo. HODGES & Jno. PURNELL	1737
Geo. HODGES & Jno. PURNELL	1738
Geo. HODGES & Wm. DANDO	1739
Jno. PURNELL & Rich'd LANGFORD	1740
Wm. WHITTOCK & Jos. BRODRIBB	1741
Wm. VOWLES & Tho's DANDO	1742
Jno. DRURY & Tho's DANDO	1743
Joel BRIMBLE & Wm. SKEY	1744
James WYATT & Jno. BRODRIBB	1745
Hester DANDO & Jno. BLINMAN	1746
Tho's HARRIS & Wm. DANDO	1747
Jos. BRODRIBB & Geo. LOVE	1748
Jno. PURNELL & Dan'l COTTLE	1749
Wm. WHITTOCK Jun'r & Jno. GREENLAND	1750
Rich'd LANGFORD & Jos. BRODRIBB	1751
Rob't COOPER & Tho's DANDO, B.H. [<i>Brick House</i>]	1752
Geo. HODGES & Wm. VOWL[E]S	1753
[added subsequently]	
Jno. DRURY & Jno. EVANS	1754
Jno. BRODRIBB & Wm. SKEY	1755
John BRODRIBB & Tho's HARRIS	1756
John BLINMAN & James STICKLER	1757
Will'm WHITTOCK [<i>the Elder</i>] & Joel BRIMBLE	1758
Geo. MAGGS & John EMERY	1759
William VOWLES & John EVANS	1760
Richard LANGFORD [&] Cornelius HARRIS	1761
Simon DANDO & Thomas DANDO	1762
John JAMES & John PARSONS	1763
John BUSH & Will'm SKEY jun'r	1764
Tho's DANDO & Abraham COOK	1765
Wm. SKEY and George CLARK	1766
Wm D[R]URY and Joseph BRODRIBB	1767
John BRODRIBB [&] Tho. LANSDOWN	1768
W[<i>idow Mary</i>] BLINMAN [&] C[<i>ornelius</i>] HARRIS	1769
Jno. EVANS Sen'r [&] Tho's JAMES	1770
Rich'd LANGFORD & Geo. TUCKER	1771
Cor's HARRIS for [<i>?Joel</i>] BRIMBLE's & Step'n JORDAN	1772
Simon DANDO & John WHATLEY for Mr [<i>Thomas</i>] READ's Estate	1773
John PARSONS for Ridens and Abr'am COOK for Mrs [<i>Hester</i>] PURNELL's Est.	1774
Wm. SKEY for Hallatrow & Rob't BAKER for Broomhill	1775
Jos. BRODRIBB for Red house & John PARSONS for Mr [<i>Jno</i>] MOGG's Estate near the Church	1776
Joseph BRODRIBB & Wm. D[R]URY	for the Year 1777
Cor's HARRIS & Jos. BRODRIBB Jun'r	for the Year 1778
Geo. CLARK & John BLINMAN	for the Year 1779
Geo. TUCKER Sen'r for Rusell [<i>Rosewell</i>] Estate & Joseph COLLINS Sen'r,	
Brick House Estate [<i>wording confused</i>]	for the Year 1780
Will'm Skey PURNELL & Tho's FLOWER for Kingwell	1781
Lawrence LANSDOWN for Mrs [<i>wid. of Benjamin</i>] MOORE 's Est. & Mr [<i>Stephen</i>] JORDAN	1782
John WHATLEY for late Mr [<i>Simon</i>] DANDO's & Nehemiah SAGE	1783
James WEEKS for J[<i>ohn</i>] PURNELL's & Corn's HARRIS for BRIMBLE's	1784
Mr William SKEY for Holly Bush and William DRURY for [<i>Thomas</i>] BROOKS's Est.	1785
Mr Joseph BRODRIBB for his Dwell'g Ho. & Will'm DRURY for late [<i>John</i>] RUDDOCK's	1786
Mr Will'm SKEY for Hallatrow and Mr Cornelius HARRIS for Kingwell	1787

A List of Persons appointed to Serve the Office of Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of High Littleton
from Easter 1788 to Easter 1789.

Mr Joseph BRODRIBB, Clothier, for Red House Estate and Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for *[?Robert] PURNELL's deleted]* RUDDOCK's Estate.

From Easter 1789 to Easter 1790.

Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for late MOORE's and Mr Jos. BRODRIBB, Malster of Hallatrow, for his own Estate.

From Easter 1790 to Easter 1791:

John PARSONS for *[Mr [Jacob] MOGG's Estate near the Church - deleted]* his own Est. call'd Riden's, John BLINMAN for Mr *[William GORE]* LANGTON's Estate.

From Easter 1791 to Easter 1792:

Mr Stephen JORDAN *[for]* his own Estate & Mr George TUCKER for ROWSELL *[ROSEWELL]*'s Estate.

From Easter 1792 to Easter 1793:

Mrs *[Mary]* FLOWER for late *[Ann]* BAYNTON's & Mr BREWER for the Brickhouse Estate.

From Easter 1793 to Easter 1794:

Mr Thomas FLOWER of Hallatrow for late Mr Simon DANDO's & Mr *[Lawrence]* LANSDOWN for late *[?George]* LOVE's.

From Easter 1794 to Easter 1795:

Mr James BUSH for his House & Estate at Littleton & John STICKLAND for late John HILL's.

from E[a]ster 1795 to E[a]ster 1796:

Henry PICKREN *[PICKERING]* for the Executors of Mr *[Thomas]* READ's and James WEEKS for John PURNELL(S) Esq're his Estate.

From Easter 1796 to Easter 1797:

John SAGE & William VOKES for Mr LANGFORD's Home Estate & Henry PICKERING for Broomhill.

From Easter 1797 to Easter 1798:

Will'm SKEY for Holly Bush, Will'm DRURY for BROOKES' Estate.

From Easter 1798 to Easter 1799:

Mr *J[oseph]* BRO(A)DRIBB for home Estate, Mr *C[ornelius]* HARRIS for Kingwell.

From Easter 1799 to Easter 1800:

Mr SKEY for Hallatrow, Mr Wm. D[R]URY for RUDDICK's Estate.

From Easter 1800 to Easter 1801:

Mr Corn's HARRIS for Rugborn Est'e in High Littleton, Mr John BLINMAN for Mr *[William GORE]* LANGTON's Est'e at Hallatrow.

Overseers appointed from Easter 1801 to Easter 1802 is:

Mr Thomas BRODRIBB for Red House Estate and Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for RUDDOCK's Estate.

Overseers ap[p]ointed from Easter 1802 to Easter 1803 is:

Jesse SAGE for Church Estate & Jas. VOKES for Tho's C. DUDDEN's Estate.

Overseers ap[p]ointed from Easter 1803 to Easter 1804 is:

Heze. BUSH for Jno. COOK's Estate & Wm. BROOKS for Geo. MOGG's Esq'r Estate Cal'd Kingwell.

Oversee(a)rs ap[p]ointed from Easter 1804 to Easter 1805:

Geo. TUCKER for Mr *[Jacob]* MOGG's Estate Cal'ed ROWSELL's and Wm. GOOLD for late Step'n JORDAN's Estate.

Overseers ap[p]ointed from Easter 1805 to Easter 1806:

Geo. MATHEWS for brick house Estate & Grace TUCKER for Jno. PARSONS's Estate.

Overseers Apointed (*sic*) from Easter 1806 to Easter 1807:

Mr Richard LANGFORD for the Estate in his Occupation & Jas. BUSH Jun'r for late Mrs *[Mary]* FLOWER's Estate called BAYNTON's Estate.

Overseers Ap[p]ointed from Easter 1807 to Easter 1808:

Mr L. LANSDOWN (*for RUDDOCK's - deleted*) Estate and Wm. WEEKS for John COOK's Estate.

Overseers Ap[p]ointed from Easter 1808 to Easter 1809:

John STICKLER & Grace TUCKER.

Overseers appointed from 1809 to 1810:

James WEEKS for the Est. of John PURNELL Esq're and George SPREAT for his House etc.

Overseers appointed from Easter 1810 to Easter 1811:

Joel KEEL for Mr *[Richard]* LANGFORD's Home Estate and Jonas SAGE for Mr *[George]* MOGG's Estate called Broomhill.

[Appears as last entry in one book and first of next, with slightly different wording]

A List of Persons appointed to serve the Office of Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of High Littleton

Overseers appointed from Easter Sunday 1811 to Easter Sunday 1812:

Peter Edward SCOBELL M.D. for Holly-Bush Estate and Mr Rich'd BROOKE for Mr *[George]* MOGG's Estate called Kingwell.

Overseers appointed from Easter Sunday 1812 to Easter Sunday 1813:

Cornelius HARRIS of Kingwell Estate and George MILES for Rugbourn Estate.

Overseers appointed from Easter Sunday 1813 to Easter Sunday 1814:

John BLINMAN of Hallatrow Farm, belonging to *[William]* GORE LANGTON Esq'r & Wm. JAMES of Church Farm, High Littleton, belonging to George MOGG Esq'r.

Overseers Appointed from Easter Sunday 1814 to Easter Sunday 1815 is:

Mr Tho's BRODRIBB for Red House Estate and Mr *L[awrence]* LANSDOWN for RUDDOCK's Estate.

Overseers Appointed from Easter Sunday 1815 to the 25th day of March 1816 is:

Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN for the Estate of his Uncle Tho's Collier DUDDEN and Farmer George TUCKER for Mr *[George]* MOGG's Estate called ROSEWELL's.

Overseers Appointed from the 25th day of March 1816 to the 25th day of March 1817:

Will'm WEEKS for John COOK(S)'s Estate at Hallatrow & Mr Wm. PERRY for George MOGG Esq'r's Estate at Kingwell in High Littleton.

Overseers Appointed from the 25th day of March 1817 to the 25th day of March 1818:

John STICKLER, for Mr John Richmond HILL's House & Estate at Hallatrow and Mr Jonathan PARSONS for Mr John PARSON/S's House and Estate called Ridens at High Littleton.

Overseers Appointed from the 26th day of March 1818 to March 25 1819:

Jonas WEEKS for Mr *[John]* PURNELL's Estate & George SPREAT for his House late *[Thomas]* READ's.

Overseers Appointed from the 26th day of March 1819 to the 25th day of March 1820:

Mr Rd. LANGFORD for the Estate he Occupies in Hallatrow and James BUSH Junior for late Mrs *[Mary]* FLOWER's Estate called BAYNTON's Estate, for High Littleton.

Overseers Appointed from the 26th day of March 1820 to the 25th day of March 1821:

Jacob MOGG Esq'r for his House & Ground at High Littleton and Mr Tho's JAMES for Brick House Estate in Hallatrow.

Overseers appointed from the 26th Day March 1821 to March 26th 1822 is:

Joseph HARRIS for his House & Lands & Edw'd DOWLING for Mr *[Richard]* LANGFORD's Home Estate (late *[Joel]* KEEL's).

Overseers appointed from the 26 Day March 1822 to March 25th 1823 is:

John BLINMAN for Wm. GO(O)R/E LANGTON Esq'r's Estate & Geo. HIGGIN/S for Mrs *[Martha]* MOGG's Estate.

Overseers f'm March 1823 to March 1824:

Mr *[Richard]* COX for his Estate, George TUCKER for Mrs *[Martha]* MOGG's Estate of ROSEWELL.

Overseers f'm March 1824 to March 1825:

Mr *[Stephen]* HUTTON for Rugborn, Jonas WEEKS for Mr *[John]* PURNELL's Estate.

Overseers f'm March 1825 to March 1826: Do. *[same as previous year]*

Overseers to March 1827: Mr Jas. ROSSITER, Peter LUDWELL for Miss LANGFORD at Hallatrow.

Overseers to March 1828: James ROSSITER & John BLINMAN. *[Tho's Collier DUDDEN & Walter GABY minuted]*

Overseers to March 1829: Tho's JAMES & Geo. SPREAT.

Overseers to March 1830: Joseph ROSSITER, Edw'd DOWLING.

Overseers to March 1831: Mr Rich'd COX, Mr Joseph HARRIS.

Overseers to March 1832: Thomas C. DUDDEN, Wm. MAGGS.

Overseers to Mar. 1833: James STICKLAND, Thomas HARRISON.

Overseers to Mar. 1834: Jonas WEEKS, Geo. KEELING.

Overseers to March 1835: James HALL *[Broomhill]*, Peter LUDWELL.

Overseers to March 1836: Edward DOWLING, Wm. WEYMOUTH.

Do. 1837: Mr John JAMES, Chas. HALL.

Overseers Do. (1837 and) 1838 : Tho's HARRISON, James STICKLAND. *[Charles HATHWAY & Charles DOLMAN minuted]*.

Overseers to March (1838 &) 1839: Jno. Ustick SCOBELL Esq'r, Wm. MAGGS.

Overseers from March 1839 to 1840: Edward DOWLING *[Sarah COX minuted]*, George WIATT *[WYATT]*.

Overseers from March 1840 to March 1841: Jonas WEEKS *[John BLINMAN minuted]*, Hugh JAMES.

Overseers from March 1841 to March 1842: Peter LUDWELL, James HALL.

Overseers from March 1842 to March 1843: Joseph TUCKER, Edward DOWLING. *[Henry FERBRACHE & James HALL (Mearns) minuted.]*

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Tho's HODGES & Jno. DANDO	1736
Geo. HODGES & Jno. PURNELL	1737
Geo. HODGES & Jno. PURNELL	1738
Geo. HODGES & Wm. DANDO	1739
Jno. PURNELL & Rich'd LANGFORD	1740
Geo. HODGES & Tho's DANDO	1741
Jos. BRODRIBB & Tho's DANDO	1742
Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD	1743
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Rich'd LANGFORD & Jos. BRODRIBB	1745
Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD	1746
Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD	1747
Geo. HODGES & Rob't COOPER	1748
Geo. HODGES & Simon DANDO	1749
Geo. HODGES & Jno. BRODRIBB	1750
Jno. BRODRIBB & Tho's HARRIS	1751
Geo. HODGES & Jno. BRODRIBB	1752
Rob't COOPER & Rich'd LANGFORD	1753

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Geo. HODGES & Rob't COOPER	1754
Geo. HODGES & Rob't COOPER	1755
Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD	1756
<i>[Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD</i>	<i>1757]</i>
<i>[Geo. HODGES & Rich'd LANGFORD</i>	<i>1758]</i>
<i>[Geo. HODGES & Simon DANDO</i>	<i>1759]</i>
George HODGES & Corn's HARRIS	1760
Geo. HODGES & Tho's DANDO <i>[Tanner]</i>	1761
Corn's HARRIS <i>[&]</i> Rich'd LANGFORD	1762
John BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> John BUSH	1763
John BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> Cor's HARRIS	1764
John BRODRIBB & John BUSH	1765
John BRODRIBB & Cor's HARRIS	1766
John BRODRIBB & Cor's HARRIS	1767
John BRODRIBB & Cor's HARRIS	1768
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1769
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1770
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1771
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1772
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Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1775
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[&]</i> Tho's LANSDOWN	1776
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r &]</i> Tho's LANSDOWN	1777
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r &]</i> Tho's LANSDOWN	1778
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r &]</i> Tho's LANSDOWN	1779
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & Tho's LANSDOWN	1780
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & Tho. LANSDOWN	1781
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & Tho's LANSDOWN	1782
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1783
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1784
Jos. BRODRIBB <i>[Sen'r]</i> & T <i>[homas]</i> LANSDOWN	1785
Do. <i>[Jos. BRODRIBB Sen'r & Tho's LANSDOWN]</i>	1786
Do. <i>[Jos. BRODRIBB Sen'r & Tho's LANSDOWN]</i>	1787

[Not summarised after this]

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An Acc't who Serv'd Waywardens for High Littleton from ye 26th Decem'r 1734 to the 26th of Dec'r 1754

Geo. HODGES	1734
Geo. HODGES	1735
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Geo. HODGES	1739
Geo. HODGES	1740
Geo. HODGES	1741
Wm. TYLAR	1742
Geo. HODGES	1743
Geo. HODGES	1744
Geo. HODGES	1745
Geo. HODGES	1746
Geo. HODGES	1747
Geo. HODGES	1748
Geo. HODGES	1749
Geo. HODGES	1750
Geo. HODGES	1751
Geo. HODGES	1752
Jno. EVANS	1753
Geo. HODGES	1754
<i>[added subsequently]</i>	
Geo. HODGES	1755
<i>[Geo. HODGES]</i>	<i>1756]</i>
<i>[Geo. HODGES]</i>	<i>1757]</i>
<i>[George HODGES]</i>	<i>1758]</i>
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<i>[Geo. HODGES]</i>	<i>1760]</i>
<i>[Cornelius HARRIS]</i>	<i>1761]</i>
<i>[George MAGGS]</i>	<i>1762]</i>
<i>[Appointments not minuted after December 1762.]</i>	
<i>[A note in Farmborough Parish Register records that the Turnpike Road through Farmborough was completed in 1763.]</i>	

An Acc't who serv'd Waywarden for the Hamlet of Hallatrow from the 26 Dec'r 1734 to ye 26 Dec'r 1754

Walter BRITTON	1734
<i>[Walter BRITTON & Jno. PURNELL both entered and deleted]</i>	1735
Jno. BRODRIBB	1736
Jno. DANDO	1737
<i>[blank]</i>	1738
Widow DANDO of the Batch	1739
Wm. SKEY	1740
Jos. BRODRIBB	1741
Jos. BRODRIBB	1742
John PURNELL	1743
Rich'd LANGFORD	1744
John BLINMAN	1745
Tho's DANDO, B.H. <i>[Brick House]</i>	1746
Will'm DANDO	1747
Rich'd LANGFORD	1748
Jno. PURNELL	1749
<i>[blank]</i>	1750
Simon DANDO	1751
John BRODRIBB	1752
Rob't COOPER	1753
John BRODRIBB for ye Hamlet	1754

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John BRODRIBB all'd for serving cont'd	1755
[Wm. SKEY Jun'r	1756]
[Jos. BRODRIBB	1757]
[John BLINMAN	1758]
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[Thomas DANDO (Tanner)	1760]
[Richard LANGFORD	1761]
[Abraham COOK	1762]

LIST OF SOME DOCUMENTS FORMERLY IN THE PARISH CHEST

An Account of Discharges from several(l) Parish to High Littleton with Familys as Under.

Chewton Mendip	to High Littleton	for Thomas BALLER	July 30th 1735
Norton St. Phillips	to High Littleton	for Charles WEBB	Dec'r 30 1737
Farmborow	to High Littleton	for John GULLOCK	March 4 1744[/5]
Compton Dando	to High Littleton	for William BITTLE	April 15 1745
Minehead	to High Littleton	for Robert HURFORD	March 6[2] 1736[/7]
Freshford	to High Littleton	for John HART	March 1st 1711/2
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for John CREW	March 16 1744[/5]
Laycock in Wilts.	to High Littleton	for John HIBBARD	April 1st 1743
Berkley	to High Littleton	for Isaac ALDREDGE	Oct'r 13[30] 1724
Stanton Drew	to High Littleton	for Samuell COLLIER	Dec'r 5 1708
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for John BATH	Jan'y 6 1739[/40]
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for Abraham BATH	Feb'y 27 1736[/7]
Clutton	to High Littleton	for Thomas PERRY	August 2 1737
Croscombe	to High Littleton	for Samuell KELSON	July 9[29] 1730
Stoke Lane	to High Littleton	for Samuell BUDD	July 2[22] 1739
Midsomer Norton	to High Littleton	for Francis HEALE	July 4[6] 1730
Mells	to High Littleton	for John KIRLY	Sep'r 20 1702
Melksham	to High Littleton	for George WILKINS	Dec'r 24 1730
Bristol St. Thomas	to High Littleton	for Aaron GANE	Nov'r 2[22] 1723
Binnegar	to High Littleton	for John JAMES	May 5 1709
Dunkerton	to High Littleton	for Stephen HOLLOWAY	April 15 1745
Wanstrow	to High Littleton	for James STICKLAND	Dec'r 30 1743
Chewton Mendip	to High Littleton	for William BROWN	Feb'y 6 1710[/1]
Henton Blewet	to High Littleton	for William COLE	April 6 1700
Emborough	to High Littleton	for Samuell GREEN	Dec'r 2 1739
Churchill	to High Littleton	for William STURGES	Jan'y 1st 1736[/7]
Marksbury	to High Littleton	for Benjamin HAND	Jan'y 17 1730[/1]
Croscombe	to High Littleton	for Peter CLARKE	Sep'r 10 1737
Henton Blewet	to High Littleton	for Hen(e)ry GIBBONS	July 5 1730
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for John BATH Sen'r	Oct'r 12 1708
Stratton in Cornwall	to High Littleton	for Richard CHING	Oct'r 13 1717
Radstoke	to High Littleton	for John WEBB	Jan'y 12 1707[/8]
Midsomer Norton	to High Littleton	for John PALMER	Feb'y 14 1726[/7]
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for Isaac BATH	Feb'y 27 1736[/7]
Farmborough	to High Littleton	for Catherine BUSH	June 24 1747
Kilmersdon	to High Littleton	for John CHIVERS	Feb'y 27 1736[/7]
Farrington Gurney	to High Littleton	for John BEAN	April 28 1698
Aishwick	to High Littleton	for James CLARE	August 20 1743
Churchill	to High Littleton	for John CURTIS	April 15 1745
Paulton	to High Littleton	for George DANDO	March 6 1736[/7]
Laverton	to High Littleton	for Aaron HEATH	Nov'r 6 1754
East Harptree	to High Littleton	for John BARWELL	July 4[5]th 1730
Chelworth [Chelwood]	to High Littleton	for Isaac DAVIS	Oct'r 15 1730
Clutton	to High Littleton	for John WOOD [ATTWOOD]	August 1st 1737
Midsomer Norton	to High Littleton	for Cornelius MITTEN	Nov'r 2 1707
Camerton	to High Littleton	for James PARFETT	Dec'r 28 1754

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[Examinations]

The Examination of Barnaby GANTLETT	of Farmborough	1745
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The Examination of James SMITH	of Chewmagna	1736
The Examination of Samuell BUDD	of Stoke Lane	1736
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The Examination of Stephen HOLLOW ^[AY]	of High Littleton	1744
The Examination of Jacob CARTER	of High Littleton	1744
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Orders of Removal

Benjamin HAND	from High Littleton	to Marksbury	Dec'r 9th 1730
George WILKINS	from High Littleton	to Melksham	Dec'r 9 1730
Martha ROWE	from High Littleton	to Farmborough	Dec'r 22 1730
David COLE	from High Littleton	to Henton Blewet	Oct'r 18 1715
Abraham BATH	from High Littleton	to Farrington Gurney	Jan'y 5 1730 ^[/1]
James WEST	from Farmborough	to High Littleton	June 24 1747
Stephen HOLLOWAY	from High Littleton	to Dunkerton	Feb'y 6 1744 ^[/5]
William BEETLE	from High Littleton	to Compton Dando	Feb'y 6 1744 ^[/5]
George CARTER	from High Littleton	to West Wood, Wilts.	Nov'r 14 1709
James BUSH	from High Littleton	to Camely	May 7 1714
Robert PURNELL	from Walcott	to High Littleton	April 8 1738
James THRESHER	from High Littleton	to Roade	Feb'y 16 1701 ^[/2]
Peter CLARKE	from High Littleton	to Croscombe	August 5 1737
James STICKLING ^[STICKLAND]	from High Littleton	to Wanstrow	Dec'r 9 1730
Samuel BASSETT	from High Littleton	to Farmborough	March 15 1711 ^{/2}
Robert HURFORD	from High Littleton	to Minehead	Feb'y 5 1736 ^[/7]
Samuell BUDD	from High Littleton	to Stoke Lane	March 23 1736 ^[/7]
John BISHOP	from High Littleton	to Chewton Mendip	Sep'r 17 1737

A Notice to the Parish of Walcott of an appeal from Robert PURNELL's Order ^[1738].

[Some confirmations of Orders are listed under Bonds]

A List of Indentures

William SHORT	to John WEST	of Timsbury	Cordwainer	Jan'y 1st 1744 ^[/5]
Joseph PURNELL	to James ROBBINS	of Brewton	Cordwainer	July 17 1749
Mary CORNISH	to Henery WILLIAMS	of Freshford	Weaver	March 10 1746 ^[/7]

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Thomas FRANCIS	to John BOYCE	of Hampton	Fuller	April 19 1742
John CURTIS	to Richard STEVENS	of Langford	Blacksmith	May 6 1732
Joseph ISGO	to George HODGES Esq'r	of High Littleton	[blank]	April 15 1746
Job HEW	to James TUGGEY	of Hinton	Weaver	May 11 1758
Sarah PARSONS	to John EAMES	of Hinton	Weaver	Nov'r 7 1755
Peter CLARKE	to [blank]			April 1st 1719
John FRANCIS	to James HART	of Hinton	Weaver	April 14 1748
John JENKINS	to Thomas HAWKES	of Dinniford	Carpenter	June 16 1733
Samuell SAGE	to Abraham BRODRIBB	of High Littleton	Clothier	March 24 1704[/5]
Cornelius CORNISH	to Charles WEBB	of High Littleton	Blacksmith	Dec'r 28 1745
Sarah CORNISH	to William HART	of Priston	[blank]	Feb'y 27 1744[/5]
William FRANCES	to Noah TAD	of Hinton	Weaver	March 5 1743[/4]
John HORLER	to Cornelius TYLER	of High Littleton	Weaver	July 23 1736
William LOVE	to Francis FREEMAN	of Hinton	Weaver	August 25 1740
Abraham COOK	to John AMES	of Midsomer Norton	Clothier	March 25 1725
Robert CORNISH	to James HART	of Hinton	Weaver	March 25 1743
John BUTT	to William MERRICKE	of Bradford	Weaver	August 5 1718
Mary HILMAN	to William HART	of Priston	[blank]	June 5 1745
James NAISH	to Jacob COLLIER	of Stone Easton	Taylor	July 17 1733
John EDGELL	to James EDGELL	of Chewmagna	Baker	Dec'r 10 1733
Catherine PRIDDY	to James BULL	of Bradford	Weaver	April 8 1751
Roger GRAY	to Daniel TUTHAR	of High Littleton	Clothier	March 31 1702
Eleanor PARSONS	to John BISHOP	of Chewton Mendip	[blank]	Sep'r 17 1750

A List of Bonds given for the use of the Parish of High Littleton as under.

One Bond from John CARTER to the Overseers	dated	1705
From Thomas ABRAHAM to the Overseers	dated	April 10 1720
From Mr MOXHAM to the Overseers of Chewton		Feb'y 4 1737[/8]
From John PARSONS to the Overseers		1711
From John COOK to Cornelius TYLER		Feb'y 10 1742[/3]
From Thomas AMESBURY to the Overseers		March 12 1742
<i>[see also Order & Confirmation below] [?1748/9]</i>		
From Joseph GAGE and Jonathan HARFORD to the Overseers of High Littleton		May 9 1763
Joseph BARWELL to the Overseers		May 30 1763
An Acc't of Moneys Expended by the Parish of High Littleton for the use of George DANDO and Ann DANDO <i>[alias MARSHALL]</i>		[1765]
Licence for the Marriage of John GULLOCK to Anna EDWARDS		1738
Order made on Thomas AMESBURY for the maintaining a Bastard Child		1742 [7 Mar 1748/9]
A Confirmation of the above Order from the Sessions		[5 April] 1749
A Certificate that Joseph CHILCOTT was married to Betty BUDD		1760
Notice of Appeal from the Overseers of Twerton to the Overseers of High Littleton		1736
Notice of Appeal from High Littleton to the overseers of Walcott <i>[re Rob't PURNELL]</i>		1738
A Confirmation of an Order on John VIGOR		1743
A Confirmation of an Order <i>[of Removal to St. Decuman's]</i> on John JENKINS		[16 July] 1745
The Order of James BURGE Vacated		1719
An Order made on John ROSE for maintaining a Bastard Child		1750
A Confirmation of an Order <i>[of Removal to Midsomer Norton]</i> on William ATTWOOD		[1 May] 1753
A Confirmation of an Order <i>[of Removal to Priston]</i> on Richard ATTWOOD		[16 July] 1745
A Confirmation of an Order <i>[of Removal to Ashwick]</i> on James CLARE		[13 July] 1743
A Note of Hand from John BENCE to Mr Richard LANGFORD for Condition of maintaining a Child of John JAMES's		1763
<i>[Listed under Orders of Removal]</i>		
An old Will of John COLLIER's 1005 <i>[1605 intended - John COLLIER the elder was buried 9 Apr 1607].</i>		

An Account of the Parish Writings

An Assessment on the Land of High Littleton		1689
Ditto	for	1703
Ditto	for	1733

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Ditto	for	1737
Ditto	for	1738
Ditto	for	1741
Ditto	for	1743
Ditto	for	1749
Twenty Rates made for the relief of the Poor of High Littleton	for the year	1734
Forty Rates	for	1735
Ditto		1736
Twenty Rates		1737
One Hundred and Sixty Church Rates	for	1734
One Hundred and Twenty Do.		1735
Twenty Church Rates	for	1736
A Rate for raising Sixpence in the Pound for the use of the Highways	for the year	1741
To Ditto	for the year	1747
An Assessment on Houses and Lights	for	1758
Paulton to High Littleton for Thomas SIMMS		1764
GREGORY of Paulton, Bond for a Bastard		1767
Francis JAMES, Conveyance of a house		1767

From Bishop's Transcripts and other documentary sources it is possible to ascertain the names of Churchwardens and Overseers for a few years prior to 1734, when the names of office holders first appeared in the Poor Book. In a deposition of 1682 it was stated that it was usual to pick one warden from High Littleton and one from Hallatrow

CHURCHWARDENS

1599/1600	John COLLIER of Hallatrow & John COLLIER of High Littleton
1601/2	Robert HILL & Robert SERTAYNE
1606/7	Thomas AXFORD & William COLLIER
1607/8	John HILL & John COLLIER
1611/2	John DANDO & Thomas TYLER, senior
1612/3	John DANDO & Thomas TYLER
1615/6	John COLLIER & John HODGES
1621/2	William COLLIER & Thomas DANDO
1622/3	Thomas AXFORD & Thomas HILL
1623/4	William COLLIER & Richard HILL
1630/1	Thomas DANDO & Joseph SAUNDERS
1634/5	William RUMSEY & Richard JAMES
1636/7	Thomas DANDO & John DANDO
1640/1	Thomas ROSEWELL & Francis COLLIER
1662/3	Edward JONES & William DANDO
1663/4	Thomas RUDDOCK
1664/5	John DANDO
1666/7	Francis COLLIER & Thomas SMITH
1667/8	John REED & Joseph DANDO
1668/9	John FORD & Joseph DANDO
1669/70	John FORD & Joseph DANDO
1670/1	Michael WEEKS & Francis TYLER
1674/5	John TUTHER & John BAILY
1682/3	Samuel JONES & John HILL
1685/6	John HILL & Joseph DANDO

OVERSEERS

1670/1	Thomas HODGES & Thomas TYLER
1674/5	Richard TUTHER & Thomas MARCHANT

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Vestry Minutes from 1755 onwards.

We, whose names are hereunto Subscribed, being principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order & **agree** at an Annual Vestry held this 31st Day of March 1755 That Mr Will'm SKEY and Mr John BRODRIBB shall serve as Overseers for this present Year, as Witness our Hands,
[Sgd] Rich. LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Tho's DANDO T'r.

At an Annual Vestry held the 31st Day of March 1755 the following Calendar of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

Hester JAMES	1. 0
Joseph HARRIS	1. 0 [Pd 53 Wks.]
Mary TYLAR	1. 0 [Pd 26 Wks. at 1/-, 1 at 1/6 & 21 at 2/-]
Mary THATCHER	1. 0
[James] TUCKER's Children	2. 6
Widow [Hannah] HUGH	1. 0
Jno. PURNELL, S[<i>tanton Drew</i>]	1. 0 [Pd 9 Wks. at 1/-, 46 at 9d.]
Tho's CORNISH	1. 0 [Pd. 30 Wks. at 1/-, 16 at 1/6 & 9 at 2/-]
Jno. PARKER	2. 0 [Pd. 54 Wks. at 2/-, 1 at 1/-]

[Sgd] Tho. DANDO, Rich. LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB.

March 31 1755.

Elected & Chosen Church Wardens for the year ensuing by the Minister & Parish[i]oners are Mr Robert COOPER & [blank].

We, whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitants of the parish of High Littleton, do order and Agree that Geo. HODGES Esq'r shall serve Year Ensuing, as Witness our Hands,
[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich. LANGFORD, Tho. DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Tho's DANDO, Ta'r.

Waywardens **Chosen** this 26th Day of Decem'r 1755 for the Year Ensuing:

Geo. HODGES Esq'r for Littleton. Due to Do. for the Bal(l)ance of the last two Years - 7. 4. 1.

John BRODRIBB for Hallatrow. Due to the next Surveyor 3/11.

Due to Geo. HODGES Esq'r for 58 Load of Stones raised at Grinstone at 1d. pr. Load for the use of Hallatrow Roads.

It is further **Agreed** to allow Mr John BRODRIBB Ten Shillings & Sixpence for serving the Office of a Waywarden and him to Close the Road that is between the Quakers meeting House to Joyn the Road at White Cross.

N.B. that Mr Rob't COOPER have pd. Geo. WILKINS for Quarr[y]ing of stones, which is now at Grinstone Quar. 7/8³/₄.

[Sgd] Tho's READ, Tho's HARRIS, Tho's DANDO, Thomas DANDO, Rich. LANGFORD.

Memorandum - that we hal'd 16 Load of the above stones from Grinstone and that Mr SKEY Hall'd [blank] Load from Do.

At a Vestry held this Eighth Day of Feb'y 1756 within the Parish Church of High Littleton,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to allow to Ann FRANCES Half a Crown, to Jane HILMAN Half a Crown and also to Buy each of them a Shift, and further to repair their Bedsteads and other Necessarys as may be wanting for that purpose.

[Sgd] Robert COOPER, Churchwarden, Thomas DANDO.

At a Vestry held this Twenty Second Day of Feb'y 1756 within the Parish Church of High Littleton,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to add Sixpence pr. week to Tho's CORNISH, and to Buy a Serge Gound [Gown] for Hester TUCKER and to give to Mr Tho's GOODWIN of Publoe, Tanner, Two Guineas towards the Cloathing and Binding of Joseph, the Son of William PURNELL.

[Sgd] Tho's HARRIS, Thomas DANDO.

At a Vestry held this Seventh Day of March 1756 within the Parish Church of High Littleton,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to recover Tho's BEAN's Note of Hand of two pound and four Shillings due and payable to the Parish.

[Sgd] John BRODRIBB, oversear (sic).

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At a Vestry Held this 14th of March 1756,

It is **Agreed** By us, whose Names are Hereunder Subscrib'd, to give unto the Wife of Samuel STAFFORD Deceas'd one Pound one Shilling and to al[l]ow what Money she Have Had all Re[a]dy.

[Sgd] Will'm SKEY jun'r, John BRODRIBB.

We, whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, being Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** At an Annual Vestry held this 19th Day of April 1756 That Tho's HARRIS and Joel BRIMBLE

[John BRODRIBB actually served] shall serve as Overseers for this present Year, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Rich. LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Thomas DANDO, Robert COOPER.

At an Annual Vestry held the 19th Day of April 1756 the following Ca(l)endar of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

Hester JAMES	1. 0
Mary TYLAR	2. 0 [Pd. 5 Wks. at 2/-, 46 at 2/3]
Mary THATCHER	1. 0
[James] TUCKER's Children	1. 6 [Pd. 51 Wks. at 2/-]
Widow [Hannah] HUGH	0. 6 [Pd. 51 Wks. at 1/3]
Jno. PURNELL, Stanton	0. 9 [Pd. 1 Wk. at 9d., 50 at 1/-]
Tho's CORNISH	2. 0
Tho's JAMES	1. 0
Jno. PARKER	2. 0
Ann SAGE	1. 6

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Robert COOPER, Thomas DANDO, John BRODRIBB.

April 19 1756.

Elected & Chosen, by the Minister & Parishioners, Church Wardens for the Year ensuing are George HODGES Esq'r & Mr Rich'd LANGFORD, Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] John BRODRIBB, Thomas DANDO, Robert COOPER.

At a Vestry held this 23d of May 1756,

It is **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to make a Rate for Collecting Forty Pays on the inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton for and towards the necessary relief of the Poor of the sd. Parish.

[Sgd] Tho's HARRIS, Thomas DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 27th Day of May 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to give to Jane HILMAN 2/6 in order to Buy her some Shoes and also to Buy Rob't PURNELL a Blanket, Waistcoat, a Pair of Linings and Two Shirts and further to allow him Sixpence pr. Week towards paying for his Quarters, and further to allow Jane HILMAN a Rug(g).

[Sgd] Thomas DANDO, Tho's HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 30th Day of June 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, do [to] allow Joseph HARRIS a Rug(g), Tho's JAMES a Shirt, and to Advance Jno. PURNELL's Pay to one Shilling Pr. Week from the 3d of May last.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 11th Day of July 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, that the Officers shall Appear against John SILLY at Bridgwater Sessions.

[Sgd] Tho. DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 22d Day of Aug't 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to Pay to Mary TYLAR 45 Weeks Arrears Stop't from her and also Ten Shillings & Sixpence for Six Weeks at 2/3 pr. Week, she having receiv'd 3d. already.

[Sgd] Thomas DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 27th Day of Octo'r 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, do [to] allow to Buy Ann FRANCES a Warm Rug(g) and to mend her Bedstead and Turn.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's HARRIS.

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At a Vestry held this 13th Day of Nov'r 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to allow Betty JAMES, the wife of John JAMES, two Shillings pr. week, and a Shirt to Tho's CORNISH, and Three and Sixpence, being Consideration for what was allow'd by us to Betty JAMES.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Thomas DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 1st day of December 1756,

It was **agreed** to pay Mr SHERBORN all reasonable Charges for Attending Mary SAGE, wife of Richard SAGE & To allow Tho's JAMES a New shirt & Betty JAMES, wife of John JAMES, 2/6 pr. Week & To allow the Overseer a discretionary power to relieve Mary SAGE in her present Illness, as he shall think proper.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB.

Waywardens **Chosen** this 27th Day of Decem'r 1756 for the Year Ensuing:

Geo. HODGES Esq'r for Littleton. Due to Do. on Bal(l)ance for the last Year 2/8.

Mr Wm. SKEY Jun'r for Hallatrow. Due to the last Surveyor 15/5¼.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO Tan., Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 27th Day of Decem'r 1756,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to send to Mrs ABNEY One Guinea and Half for the use of the Widow STREFFORD [STAFFORD], now being very Ill, and further to allow Mary SAGE, the Wife of Rich'd SAGE, Three Shillings pr. Week.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO, Tho's READ.

March 11th 1757.

Elected & Chosen Church Warden for the Year ensuing by the Minister is George HODGES Esquire, by me, [Sgd] Phil. WHITAKER.

We, whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** that Mr Rich'd LANGFORD shall serve Churchwarden for the Year Ensuing, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

We, whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, being principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** at an Annual Vestry held this 11th Day of April 1757 That John BLINMAN and James STICKLAND shall serve as Overseers for this present Year, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB, Robert COOPER, Tho's HARRIS.

At an Annual Vestry held this 11th Day of April 1757 The following Cal(l)endar of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
Hester JAMES		1.	6
Jno. PARKER & Wife	3.	0	[Pd. 43 (?41) Wks. at 3/- & to Gartery PARKER 6 at 1/6]
Tho. JAMES		1.	6
Tho. CORNISH & Wife		3.	0
Mary THATCHER		1.	6
Jno. PURNELL of Stanton	1.	6	[Pd. 16 Wks. at 1/6, 34 at 1/-]
[James] TUCKER's Children	2.	0	[Pd. 9 Wks. at 2/-, 41 at 3/-]
Mary TYLAR	2.	3	[Pd. 4 Wks. at 2/3, 37 at 1/-]
Ann SAGE		1.	6
John JAMES's Wife		2.	6
Mary SAGE	2.	0	[Pd. 15 Wks. at 2/-, 35 at 1/9]
Widow [Hannah] HUGH		1.	3
	1.	3.	6
Further - Jos. HARRIS		1.	6
	1.	5.	0

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS, Robert COOPER, John BRODRIBB.

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At a Vestry held this 10th of May 1757,

it was **agreed** to allow Mary TYLER 6 shillings and for the overseer to take what care is necessary (*sic*) of Rd. PRIDDY's family, and to Collect forty poor rates and to allow John PARKER a pair of Shoes.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held ye 27th of May 1757,

it is **agreed** to Give Tho. VOWLES one pound one Shilling towards his house (*sic*) Rent at Bristol(l).

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Thomas DANDO, Tho's HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held within the Parish Church of High Littleton the Sixth Day of June 1757,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, To Allow the Widow TUCKER Three Shillings per Week for the Maintenance of her Grandchildren untill such time as her Grandson George shall be placed in the Infirmary at the City of Bristol, and to Continue Hannah HUGH's Pay as Mentioned in the Calendar, and to pay to Abra. QUARMAN Sixpence per Week for House Rent during the time that Rob't PURNELL liv'd there, and also to pay to John EVANS the Widow Mary TYLER's House Rent to (a) Lady Day last, and further to put Ephraim, the Son of Hannah HUGH, Apprentice as soon as Convenient Opportunity will permit.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO.

At a Vestry held within the Parish Church of High Littleton the Third Day of July 1757,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, to Allow to Grace SAGE Two shillings Pr. Week till further orders, and further to allow Tho's CORNISH a Pair of Shoes.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 21st Day of July 1757,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, to pay to Mr Wm. SKEY the Money (as Appears by Bill) laid out by him for the Widow STEFFORD [*Hester STAFFORD*] and Family.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD.

At a Vestry held this 8 of August 1757,

It was **Agreed** to give John PURNELL one shilling pr. week & 6d. pr. week, which he had more, is left in the overseer's hand for payment of his house rent.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 14th October 1757,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to Allow Mary the Wife of Rich'd SAGE 9d. Pr. Week and the Arrears as is behind after the same, and to allow about 3 Doz'n of Reed in order for Thatching the House late John JAMES's, and it is further **Agreed** to allow 40/- in order to Buy Rob't PURNELL two Neds and Tackling and to Buy him two Canvas Shirts and a Pair of Canvas Trousers, and further to Pay Mr HODGES Rich'd SAGE the Younger's House Rent, and further to be at the Charge of Mending Ann FRANCES's Turn & Bedstead and to give her one Canvas Shift.

[Sgd] Tho's READ, Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas DANDO.

Waywardens **Chosen** this 26 Day of December 1757 for the Year ensuing:

Geo. HODGES Esq'r for Littleton.

Mr Jos. BRODRIBB for Hallatrow.

Due to Next Surveyor 2. 2. 4¼.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO, Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 20th of January 1758,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose names are underwritten, to send for Dr PEARSE to Elias EMERY and, if he thinks it proper, to send him to the Hospital at Bath and to give his Wife five shillings.

[Sgd] Tho's READ, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho. DANDO, Tho's HARRIS.

We, whose Names are hereunto Subscrib'd, being Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** at an Annual Vestry held the 27th Day of March 1758 that William WHITTOCK the Elder and Joel BRIMBLE shall serve as Overseers for this Present Year, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

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At an Annual Vestry held the 27th Day of March 1758 The following Cal(l)endar of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
Hester JAMES	1.	6	
Tho's JAMES	1.	6	
Tho. CORNISH & Wife	3.	0	
Mary THATCHER	1.	6	
John PURNELL of Stanton	1.	0	
[James] TUCKER's Children	2.	6	
Mary TYLAR	1.	0	[Pd. 17 Wks. only]
Ann SAGE	1.	6	
John JAMES's Wife	2.	0	
Mary SAGE	0.	9	
Widow [Hannah] HUGH	1.	3	[Pd. 3 Wks. only]
Benjamin DENMEAD	2.	0	[Pd. Benja. LOCK at 2/6 p.w.]
Joseph HARRIS	1.	6	
Rob't PURNELL	1.	0	
	1.	2.	0
Grace SAGE - further	2.	0	
	1.	4.	0

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho. HARRIS.

March 27 1758.

Elected and Chosen Church-Wardens for the Year ensuing by the Minister & Parish[i]oners are George HODGES Esq'r & [blank], [Sgd] Phil. WHITAKER.

March 27th 1758.

We, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** that Mr Rich'd LANGFORD shall serve Churchwarden for the Year Ensuing, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 21st Day of April 1758,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to Allow to Ann SAGE three Shillings pr. Week for the keeping Hannah HUGH's Two Children, and Also to Pay for Mary TYLAR's Wooden Leg(g), and to put Hannah HUGH's eldest son [Job] Apprentice, and further to Allow Geo. TUCKER Eight Shillings for the conveying Hannah HUGH to Bridewell and bringing home her Child [Thomas], and to give Mary TYLAR Half a Crown, and to Allow Rob't PURNELL a Pair of Shoes.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Tho's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 12th Day of Octo'r 1758,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscrib'd, to Give Ann FRANCES Seven Shillings & Sixpence, and to give the Widow Mary TYLAR five Ells of Flax-Cloth in order to make Garments for her Daughters and, if it is further Agreed to Allow the Widow Grace COX five Shillings and to pay her House Rent till Lady Day next, as usual, and to give the Widow Grace SAGE Three Ells of Flax Cloth, in order to make her two Youngest Children each a Garment.

[Sgd] John BRODRIBB, Tho's READ, Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD.

At a Vestry held this 12th Day of October 1758 The following Cal(l)endar of the **weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
Hester JAMES	1.	6	
Tho's JAMES	1.	0	
Tho's CORNISH & Wife	3.	0	
Mary THATCHER	1.	6	
John PURNELL of Stanton	1.	0	
[James] TUCKER's Children	2.	0	
Mary TYLAR	1.	0	[Nothing apparently paid]
Ann SAGE	1.	0	
John JAMES's Wife	2.	0	
Mary SAGE	0.	9	

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Hannah HUGH	2. 0 [Nothing apparently paid]
Benja. DENMEAD	2. 0 [Pd. Benja. <u>LOCK</u> at 2/6 p.w.]
Grace SAGE	2. 0

[Sgd] Tho's READ, John BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD.

Waywardens **Chosen** the 26th Day of December 1758 for the Year Ensuing:

George HODGES Esq'r for Littleton.

Due to the last Surveyor 10. 3.11.

[Sgd] Tho's HARRIS.

Far'r John BLINMAN for Hallatrow.

Due to the next Surveyor 4.12. 4¾.

[Sgd] Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 26th Day of December 1758,

It was **Agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, to give Elias EMERY Ten Shillings, to Jane HILMAN Four Shillings and twopence, and also to Allow Rob't PURNELL one Shilling pr. Week during such time as we think it wanted, and also Tho's VOWL[E]/S's Wife One pound five Shillings in order to pay Half a Year's House Rent.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB.

We, whose names are hereunder Subscribed, being Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** at [an] annual Vestry held the 16th Day of April 1759 that Geo. MAGGS and John EMERY shall serve as Overseers for this present Year.

We, whose names are hereunder Subscrib'd, do Agree to give to Mary TYLAR a Blanket and Shift, to Mary THATCHER a Shift, and to Ann [Marshall] DANDO, for the Use of Hannah HUGH's Children, some Cloaths.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

At an Annual Vestry held this 16th Day of April 1759 the following Cal(l)endar of the **weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

Tho's VOWL[E]/S	1. 0 [Nothing apparently paid]
Hester JAMES	1. 6
Tho's JAMES	1. 0
Tho's CORNISH & Wife	2. 6
Mary THATCHER	1. 6
John PURNELL of Stanton	1. 0
[James] TUCKER's Children	1. 6
Mary TYLAR	0
Ann SAGE	1. 0
John JAMES's Wife	2. 0 [Pd. 43 Wks. to his Children]
Mary SAGE	0. 9
Hannah HUGH's Children	3. 0 [Pd. 43 Wks. only]
Benja'n DENMEAD	2. 6 [Pd. 50 Wks. at 2/-, 1 at 2/6]
Grace SAGE	2. 0 [Pd. 43 Wks. at 3/-, 4 at 9/- & 4 at 8/-]
Grace COX	<u>1. 0</u>
	1. 2. 3

[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

Elected and Chosen, this 16th Day of April 1759, Churchwarden for the Year Ensuing, by the Minister and the Parishioner[s], are Geo. HODGES Esq'r and Simon DANDO.

We, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **Agree** that the above Named Gentlemen shall serve Churchwardens for this present Year, as Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's HARRIS.

At an Annual Vestry held this 7th Day of April 1760 the Following Calender (sic) of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton is as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
Hester JAMES	1.	6	
Thomas JAMES	1.	3	

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Thomas CORNISH & Wife	3. 0
Mary THATCHER	1. 6
John PURNEL/[L] of Stanton	1. 0
[James] TUCKER's Children	1. 6
Mary TYLAR	0
Ann SAGE	0. 6
Mary SAGE	0. 9
Benjamin DENMEAD	2. 6
Grace SAGE	8. 0 [Pd. 2 Wks. at 2/-, 48 at 7/-]
Grace COX	1. 0
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0
Jane HILMAN	1. 0
Ann DANDO, Wid.	1. 6
Rob't PURNEL/[L]	1. 0
Sarah DANDO	1. 0 [Pd. 17 Wks. only]
	1. 8. 0

[Sgd] Geo. HODGES, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO.

We, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, being Principal Inhabitant (sic) of the Parish of Highlittleton, do order and **Agree** at a[n] annual Vestry held the 7th Day of April 1760, that William VOWLES & John EVANS shall serve as Overseers for this present Year.

[Sgd] Geo. HODGES, Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho. DANDO, Robert COOPER.

Elected and Chosen, this 7th Day of April 1760, Churchwarden for the Year Ensu(e)ing, by the Minister and Parishioners, are George HODGES Esquire and Cornelius HARRIS.

We, whose Names are here under Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitant (sic) of the Parish of High Littleton, do order and **agree** that the above Named Gentleman (sic) shall serve Churchwardens for this Present Year, As Witness our Hands,

[Sgd] Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO.

Waywardens **Chosen** the 26th December 1760 for the year ensuing:

For High Littleton - G[e]o. HODGES Esq're.

Hallatrow - Mr Thomas DANDO, Tanner.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Cornelius HARRIS, John JAMES.

At an Annual Vestry held this 23d March 1761 The Following Calender (sic) of the **Weekly Pay** of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton is as follows:

	£. s. d.
Hester JAMES	1. 6
Mary THATCHER	1. 6
Tho's JAMES	1. 3
Tho's CORNISH & Wife	3. 0 [Pd. 43 Wks. only]
John PURNEL/[L]	1. 0
Ann SAGE	0. 6
Mary SAGE	1. 0
Grace SAGE for the Children	7. 0 [Pd. 11 Wks. at 7/-, 44 at 6/-]
Benja. DENMEAD	2. 6 [Benja. <u>LOCK</u> pd. 48 Wks, Jone LOCK 7 at 1/-]
Grace COX	1. 0
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0
Jane HILMAN	1. 0
Rob't PURNEL/[L]	1. 0
Ann DANDO, Wid.	1. 6
[James] TUCKER's Children	1. 0 [Pd 16 Wks. only]
Sarah DANDO	0
Richard PARSONS's Wife	2. 0 [Pd. 22 Wks. at 2/-, 4 at 1/6]
	1. 7. 9

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We, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, being Principal Inhabitant (sic) of the Parish of Highlittleton, do Order and **Agree** at a[n] An[n]ual Vestry held the 23d March 1761, That Rich'd LANGFORD and Cor's HARRIS shall serve as Overseers for this Present Year.

[Sgd] Geo. HODGES, Tho's DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, Robert COOPER, John BRODRIBB.

Elected and Chosen, this 23d March 1761, Churchwardens for the Year Ensu(e)ing, by the Minister and the Parishioners, are George HODGES Esq'r and Thomas DANDO.

We, whose Names are hereunder Subscribed, being some of the Principal Inhabitants of the Parish of Highlittleton, do order and **Agree** that the above Named Gentlemen shall Serve Churchwardens for this present Year, Witness our hands,

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Cornelius HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

Waywardens **Chosen** the 26th December 1761 for the year ensuing.

For High Littleton - Cornelius HARRIS.

For Hallatrow - Mr Richard LANGFORD.

Due from the Book to the late surveyor - 15/6

[Sgd] John BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, Tho's DANDO.

We, whose names are hereunder subscrib'd, being principal inhabitants of the parish of High Littleton, do Order and **agree** at an Annual Vestry held the 12 of April 1762 That Simon DANDO and Thomas DANDO, Tanner, shall serve as Overseers for this present year.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

At [an] Annual Vestry held this 12 day of April 1762 The Following Calender (sic) of the **weekly pay** of the Poor of the parish of High littleton is as follows:

Hester JAMES	1. 6
Mary THATCHER	1. 6
Thomas JAMES	1. 3
Betty CORNISH	1. 0
John PURNEL[L]	1. 0
Mary SAGE	1. 0
Grace SAGE for the Children	6. 0 [Pd. 2 Wks. at 6/-, 18 at 5/-, 10 at 4/-, 8 at 2/- & 13 at 1/-]
Joan DENMEAD	1. 0
Grace COX	1. 0
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0 [Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/-, 47 at 6d.]
Jane HILMAN	1. 0
Rob't PURNEL[L]	1. 0
Ann DANDO	1. 6 [Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/-, 44 at 6d.]
Hannah BIGGS	3. 0
Ann DANDO [alias] MARSHALL	1. 0
Thomas SEILLY, a Boy	1. 0
	<u>1. 4. 9</u>

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB.

Elected and Chosen, this 12th of April(l) 1762, Churchwarden for ye year ensewing (sic) Mr Rich'd LANGFORD and Cor. HARRIS, Witness our hands,

[Sgd] Tho's DANDO, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held ye 6th of June 1762.

it was **agreed** by us, whose Names are hereunder Subscri(e)bed, to Send Sarah COLL[I]ER to Bristol(l) to ye Infermiy (sic), and to have a Councell (sic) opinion on Thomas AMSBREY [AMESBURY's] bond and Indenter (sic).

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Tho. DANDO, Corn's HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

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At A Vest(e)ry held ye 27th of December 1762.

it's **agreed** by us, whoess (*sic*) names is hear under Written, to(w) Give Catern PRIDEY [*Catharine PRIDDY*]'s Child Sixpence per week, and to(w) pay for mending of Rob't PURNELL Shoos (*sic*). it's **ag[r]reed** for ye offeres [*officers*] to Have Catern PRIDEY in to Shesions [*Sessions*] at Pensford, for her to Swe[a]r to that Child that is at Rob't PERR(E)Y (*sic*).

[*Sgd*] Rich's LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Corn's HARRIS.

Waywarden **Chos(s)en** the 27th of December 1762 for the year Ensuing:

George MAGGS for High Littleton. In Hand - 15/6½.

[*Sgd*] John BUSH.

for Hallatrow - Abraham COOK. Dew (*sic*) from the Book to the late Survayer (*sic*) - 6/10.

[*Sgd*] Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's DANDO.

March 2 1763.

At a Vestry (of which proper notice had been previously given) held this day, it was **agreed** by us, whose names are hereunto subscribed, to allow, towards the Sufferers by fire at Wareham last Summer, one Guinea, and that the Overseer shall pay the said Guinea to the Rev'd Mr HAMMETT, that it may be returned to the Sufferers.

[*Sgd*] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Corn's HARRIS.

[*At*] an Annual Vestry held this 4th of April 1763 the following callender (*sic*) of the **weekly pay** of the Poor of the Parish of high Littleton is as follows:

Hester JAMES	1. 6
Mary THATCHER	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 50 Wks. - Dead</i>]
Thomas JAMES	1. 3
Betty CORNISH	1. 0
John PURNEL[<i>L</i>]	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 52 Wks. at 1/-, 3 at 1/6</i>]
Mary SAGE	1. 0
Joan DENMEAD	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 4 Wks. - Dead</i>]
Grace COX	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 44 Wks. at 1/-, 6 at 1/3 - Dead</i>]
An[<i>n</i>] FRANCIS	0. 6
Rob't PURNEL[<i>L</i>]	1. 0
Hannah BIGGS	3. 0
Ann MARSHALL [<i>alias DANDO</i>]	1. 0
Thomas SEILLY	1. 0
Mary FLOWER	2. 3
J[<i>ames</i>] BULL's Bastard [<i>Cath. PRIDDY's Child</i>]	0. 6
S[<i>arah</i>] COLLIER	0. 9
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	19. 0 [<i>adds to 19/3</i>]
Sarah JAMES	1. 6

we, whose names are hereunto Subscrib'd, do order and **agree** at an annual Vestry held the 4th of April 1763 that John PARSONS and John JAMES shall serve as Overseers for this Present year.

[*Sgd*] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB.

Churchwardens for the year 1763, [*chosen at a Vestry held on 4th April 1763*], John BUSH and John BRODRIBB, witness our hands,

[*Sgd*] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

At a Vest(e)ry held ye 29th of May 1763,

it is **agreed** to procqute [*prosecute*] Jac(c)ob LOFF [*LOVE*] as ye Lay [*Law*] drectes (*sic*), and to bind John JAMES' maid aprentes [*apprentice*] and to procquet Catern PRIDEY [*Catharine PRIDDY*].

[*Sgd*] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BUSH, Corn's HARRIS, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held the 8th day of February 1764,

It is **agreed** to allow Grace COX 15d. pr. Week, and to allow Ann DANDO 2/- pr. week during the time she is sick and not able to work, and to remove Sarah DANDO and Ann DANDO to the Parish houses at Lady day, & for the overseer to give Notice to all Persons not having certificates that they will be Remov'd at Lady day.

[*Sgd*] Rich. LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

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At an annual Vestry held this 23d day of April 1764 the following **weekly Callender** (*sic*) for the poor of the Parish of high Littleton [*is*] as follows:

Hester JAMES	1. 6
Thomas JAMES	1. 6
Betty CORNISH	1. 6
Rob't PURNEL/[L]	1. 0
John PURNEL/[L]	1. 6
Hannah BIG/[G/S]	3. 0
An[n] MARSHAL/[L] [<i>alias DANDO</i>]	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 44 Wks. - Dead</i>]
T[homas] SEILLY	1. 0
Mary FLOWER	2. 3 [<i>Pd. 4 Wks. at 2/3, 15 at 4/3, 9 at 3/-, 22 at 2/-</i>]
[James] BULL's [<i>Bastard</i>] Child	0. 6
An[n] FRANCIS	0. 6
Widow [<i>of Elias</i>] EMERY	1. 6
John VATER	3. 0 [<i>Pd. 28 Wks. - Dead. John's Widow Pd. 22 at 2/-</i>]
Mary SAGE	1. 0
Rich'd SAGE	1. 0
Sarah DANDO for Ann DANDO's Children	1. 6

To **allow** as under:

Hes'r JAMES 10/- to cloath her, Geo. LACEY a shirt, Tho's JAMES a shirt. To thatch Hester JAMES' House, now the Parishes, John PURNEL/[L] 10/- a year for house rent.

we, whose names are under written, do order and **agree** at an Annual Vestry held this 23 day of April 1764, that Mr John BUSH and Mr Wm. SKEY jun'r shall serve the office of Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton for the year Ensuing.

[*Sgd*] Joseph BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, Tho's DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, John JAMES, John PARSONS, Corn's HARRIS.

Church wardens **chosen** for the year 1764, at an annual Vestry held the 23d day of April 1764, Cornelius HARRIS by J. HAMMETT [*and*] John BRODRIBB.

[*Sgd*] Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD.

At a Vestry held the fourth day of November 1764,

it was **agreed** to allow John VATER's Widow two shillings a week, to allow Mary FLOWER two shillings 1 week, one of her children being out at Nurse.

[*Sgd*] Joseph BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held the fourteenth day of March 1765,

it was **Agreed** to allow Sarah DANDO Eight shillings for being with Ann MARSHALL in her Illness, and to have the late Ann MARSHALL's will proved sometime before Easter Monday next and to have an Account drawn out of all moneys advanc'd by the Parish to Geo. MARSHALL alias DANDO, and likewise what moneys have been advanced to Ann MARSHALL alias DANDO & to Desire Mr Jacob MOGG to have Ann MARSHALL alias DANDO's Will Proved.

[*Sgd*] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB, John BUSH, Wm. SAVAGE.

At an Annual Vestry held this 8th day of April 1765,

we, whose Names are under written, do Nominate and **appoint** Abraham COOK for Mrs PURNELL's Estate and Mr Thomas DANDO of the Batch to serve overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for the year Ensuing.

[*Sgd*] Joseph BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS, Tho's DANDO.

At an Annual Vestry held this 8th day of April 1765 the following [*is the*] **weekly calender** (*sic*) for the Poor of High Littleton:

Hester JAMES	1. 6
Thomas JAMES	1. 6
Betty CORNISH	1. 6
Rob't PURNEL/[L]	1. 0

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John PURNEL[L]	1. 6 [Pd. 22 Wks. at 1/6, 29 at 2/-]
Hannah BIGGS	3. 0
Tho's SEILLY	1. 6 [Pd. Tho's HUGH 30 at 1/6, 14 at 2/6]
Mary FLOWER For her ricketty child at nurse	2. 6
[James] BULL's [Bastard] Child	0. 6
Ann FRANCIS	0. 6 [Pd. 20 Wks. at 6d, 31 at 1/-]
Widow [of Elias] EMERY	1. 6
Widow [Joyce] VATER	2. 0
Rich'd SAGE	1. 0
Mary SAGE	1. 0
Sarah DANDO for Ann DANDO's Children	1. 6 [Pd. 15 Wks. only]
Sarah COLLIER	0. 9 [Pd. 34 Wks. at 9d, 17 at 1/-]
George WILKINS	3. 0 [No payments traced]

Churchwardens **chosen** for the year 1765 At an Annual Vestry held the 8th of April [1765], John BUSH, John BRODRIBB.

[Sgd] Simon DANDO, Tho's DANDO, Jos'h BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Corn's HARRIS.

At a Public(k) Vestry held the 3rd May 1765 in the Parish Church of High Littleton, agreeable to a public(k) Notice given there on Sunday the 28th Day of April last,

It is ordered and **agreed** that the Sum of Twelve Pounds and twelve Shillings be paid Mr Tho's JAMES of this Parish, Malster, by and out of the Poor Rates to be made and collected on or before the 1st day of June next. And also that the further Sum of Eight Pounds and Eight Shillings be paid into the Hands of Mr Will'm SAVAGE of Midsomer Norton, for the Use of Elizabeth ASHMAN, to be raised as afores'd. Which said sev'l Sums, amounting together to the Sum of Twenty One Pounds, is hereby deemed by the Landowners & Inhabitants of the sd. Parish and also by the sd. Tho's JAMES & Eliz'th ASHMAN (who are Part of the Representatives of Ann DANDO [*alias MARSHALL*] dec'd) to be the Overseers' Value and Worth of the Messuage and Land heretofore assigned by the sd. Ann DANDO to the Churchwardens of the sd. Parish of High Littleton, And which sd. Monies are the voluntary and free Gift of the sd. Inhabitants.

Also, it is **ordered** that Joseph CLARKE of Temple Bridge be requested to undertake the Care of Thomas S[E]ILLY [*alias HUGH*], now afflicted with a Leprosy, at the Expençe of the Parish.

[Sgd] John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Simon DANDO, Tho's READ, Rich'd LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, John BUSH, [*name erased*], Joseph BRODRIBB, [*name erased*], Geo. JAMES.

[*Added in different writing*] **Whereas**, instead of a Mortgage, Sale was made on her Estate to the Parish, which was known to none but him that made it; After this Ann DANDO made her Last will and gave her Estate according to a Mortgage. This Vestry first propos'd and then refus'd to refer it. Tho's JAMES refus'd to take ye Money gave him out of her Effects, and has erased his Name out of this P. Book.

Rece'd this 1st Day of June 1765 of Mr Thomas DANDO and Abraham COOK, Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton, the Sum of Twelve Pounds and Twelve Shillings, being their free Gift Money mentioned in the Order of Vestry on the opposite Page to be paid me. I say (*sic*) rece'd By me [*unsigned*] £12.12/-

Rece'd this 1st Day of June 1765 of the abovenamed Overseers of the Poor the Sum of Eight Pounds and Eight Shillings, being their free Gift Money mentioned in the Order of Vestry on the opposite Page, to be paid me for the Use of Elizabeth ASHMAN. [Sgd] Wm. SAVAGE. £8. 8/-

At a Vestry held this 2d day of July 1765 on Complaint of the Poor, Complaining they could not have Wheat for money,

it is **agreed** to buy two sacks of good wheat and sell it to any of the Poor of the Parish in any Quantity at the price cost and as soon as that is sold, if it is found necessary (*sic*), to buy 2 sacks more, to be sold by Tho's LANSDOWN &, on Account of Provisions being dear, it is **agreed** to give Rich'd TUCKER & John FRY Six shillings Each, they having large Familys (*sic*), and to advance three Pounds to Pay the Entrance money to Bath Hospital for a Daughter of John EDWARDS having the Leprosie (*sic*) & three pounds for Do. for Thomas HUE [*HUGH alias SEILLY*].

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's READ, Corn's HARRIS, John BUSH.

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At a Vestry held this first day of January 1766,

it is **agreed** to desire Mr John BRODRIB[B] and Mr Thomas DANDO to give Notice to the young people to go to service at Lady Day next, who are Inhabitants with their Parents in the Houses belonging to the Parish; and to desire Mr DANDO to pay to [Elizabeth] the Widow [of William] WHITTOCK a year's House Rent due at Lady Day last, and for Mr [Thomas] DANDO to buy a pair of Breeches and one Shirt for Job [VOWLES].
[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD.

At an Annual Vestry held this 31st day of March 1766,

we, whose names are underwritten, do Nominate and **appoint** George CLARK and Mr William SKEY (for Holly Bush Estate) *[out of order in original]* to serve Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for the year Ensuing.

A **Calender** (*sic*) made for the Poor of High Littleton at the Annual Vestry as under:

Hester JAMES	pr. week	1. 6 Dead [Pd. 2 Wks.]
Thomas JAMES		1. 6 Dead [Pd. 9 Wks.]
Betty CORNISH		1. 6 [Pd. 44 Wks. at 1/6, 11 at 2/-]
Robert PURNELL		1. 0
John PURNELL		2. 0
Hannah BIGGS		3. 0
Ann FRANCIS		1. 0
Widow [of Elias] EMERY		1. 6
Widow [Joyce] VATER		2. 0
Richard SAGE		1. 6
Mary SAGE		1. 6
Sarah COLLIER		1. 0
Charity FRANCIS		1. 0
omitted [William] VOWLES' children		3. 0 [Pd. 34 Wks. at 3/-, 21 at 4/-]
nursing M[ary] FLOWER's child		1. 6
[James] BULL's [Bastard] Child		0. 6 [No payments located]
[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Corn's HARRIS, Joseph BRODRIBB.		

It is further **agreed** that the Officer of the Poor do attend the Quarter Sessions in order to continue Jacob LOFE [LOVE] in Prison.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO, Corn's HARRIS, Joseph BRODRIBB.

Churchwardens **chosen** for the year 1766 at an Annual Vestry held this 31st day of March 1766, Richard LANGFORD, Cornelius HARRIS.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Will'm SKEY jun'r, John BRODRIBB, Tho. DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 29th Sep'r 1766,

in consideration of the Dearnness of wheat, it is **agreed** to buy wheat at a market Price and sell it to the Poor, who have large familys, whose names are under written, at 5/6d. the bushel, the loss to be paid by a poor Rate by the overseers, & to give J[ames] SMITH 5/-, Widow [Mary] TUCKER 4/- pr. Week.

	Pk. [4 Pecks = 1 Bushel]
Jos'h BATH	2 pr. week
[Sarah] Widow [of Joseph] GREENLAND	3
[Ann] Widow [of John] WHITEN [WHITING]	2
James BIG[G/S]	2
Frank JAMES	4
[Hannah] Widow [of George] BIG[G/S]	2
[Joyce] Widow [of John] VATER	2
[Mary] Widow [of Benjamin] TUCKER	3
Rich'd TUCKER	4
James SMITH	3
Ed. BULL	4
John HART	4
Sam'l CHIVERS	2

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Wm. TUCKER	2
John CARTER	2
James STICKLER	2
John FRY	4
James WYAT[T]	3
John EDWARDS	3
Jno. RAP[P/S]	2

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 2d day of Feb'y 1767,

it was **agreed** to allow Phebe QUARMAN 1/6 pr. week, and to allow B'y CORNISH 2/- pr. week and 2/- towards a Shift, widow TUCKER 3/- a week, to allow Betty HARRIS 1/- pr. week.

[Unsigned].

At an Annual Vestry held this 20th day of April 1767,

we, whose names are under, do **nominate** William D[R]JURY and Joseph BRODRIBB to serve overseers of the Poor of High Littleton Parish for the year Ensuing.

Weekly Calendar	s. d.
Betty CORNISH	2. 0
John PURNELL	2. 0
Rob't PURNELL	1. 0
Hannah BIG[G/S]	2. 6
An[n] FRANCIS	1. 0
Charity FRANCIS	1. 0
Widow [Mary] TUCKER	3. 0 [Pd. 15 Wks. at 3/-, 35 at 2/-]
Widow [Joyce] VATER	2. 0
Sarah COLLIER [Widow]	1. 0
Rich'd SAGE & Mary	3. 0
[William] VOWLES' 2 Child.	4. 0
T. SEILLY [alias Tho's HUGH]	2. 6 pd. 1 week & bound Apprentice.
M[ary] FLOWER's child	1. 6
Widow [of Elias] EMERY	1. 6
widow [Phoebe] QUARMAN	1. 6 [Pd. 22 Wks. at 1/6, 28 at 2/-]
[Betty] widow [of William] HARRIS	1. 0
	<u>£1.10. 6</u>

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Will'm SKEY jun'r, The Mark of X Geo. CLARKE.

Churchwardens **chosen** for the year 1767 at an Annual Vestry held this 20th day of April 1767, John BRODRIBB and Cornelius HARRIS.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Wm. SKEY jun'r.

At a Vestry held this 26th day of May 1767,

it was **agreed** as follows: Ed. BULL's wife Taking care of 2 Children of Wm. TUCKER's, 2 wks. in the Small Pox - 5/-, Francis JAMES pr. week 5/- for a month, James TUCKER's 2 week Tending Wm. TUCKER in the Small Pox - 10/6, James SMITH's Children for cloaths - 3/-.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 4th of August 1767,

it was **agreed** as follows: gave R[ichard] SAGE - 2/6, Wm. TUCKER's widow [Sarah] - 3/- pr. week, An[n] CLARK for tending in the Small Pox Wm. TUCKER's Family - 10/6, Ben'n TUCKER's widow [Mary] - 2/- pr. week, Widow [Joyce] VATER - 2/- pr. week, [John] FLOWER - 2/- pr. week - since dead.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 22d of September [1767],

it was **agreed** as follows: gave R'd. SAGE - 2/-, John FRY in his sickness £2, Widow [Phoebe] QUARMAN - 2/- pr. week, Charles TUCKER's children for cloaths - 6/6.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

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At an Annual Vestry held this 4th day of April 1768,

we, whose names are under, do **nominate** Thomas LANSDOWN and John BRODRIBB to serve Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for the year 1768.

weekly Callender (sic)

Betty CORNISH	2. 0 - dead [Pd. 22 Wks.]
John PURNEL[L]	2. 0
Rob't PURNEL[L] [of Stanton]	1. 0
Hannah BIG[G/S] [& Family]	2. 0 - dead [Pd. 51 Wks.]
An[n] FRANCIS	1. 0
C[harity] FRANCIS	1. 0
W[idow Mary] TUCKER	2. 0
[Widow] S[arah] TUCKER [Will'm TUCKER's Children]	2. 6
C[harles] TUCKER's child'n	6. 0 [Pd. 23 Wks. at 6/-, 18 at 6/6]
W[idow Joyce] VATER	2. 0 [Pd. 6 Wks. at 2/-, 45 at 1/-]
Sarah COLLIER [Widow]	1. 0
Rich'd SAGE & wife [Mary]	3. 0 - Rich'd SAGE dead
	[Pd. 19 Wks. at 3/-, 32 at 2/-]
[William] VOWLES' 2 child'n	4. 0
M[ary] FLOWER's child	1. 6
Widow [of Elias] EMERY	1. 6 [Pd. 46 Wks. at 1/6, 5 at 2/-]
Widow [Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0
Widow [Elizabeth] HARRIS	1. 3
Francis JAMES	4. 0
	<u>£1.19. 9</u>

to give M[ary] TYLER during her Sickness [no amounts mentioned].

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB.

[No new Churchwardens were chosen for 1768. John BRODRIBB and Cornelius HARRIS continued in office.]

At a Vestry held this 26th day of May [1768],

it is **agreed** to allow Martha STICKLER 4/- a week, gave Nicholas POOL 5/-, gave S[arah] GREENLAND 10/-, to allow Grace VATER 1/- a week.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Simon DANDO.

At a Vestry held this 12th day of August [1768],

it was **agreed** to give Mary JAMES 10/- for looking after Rich'd SAGE & Wife and to give her for the time forward 1/6 pr. Week for the same, to allow John PURNELL 2 shirts, 1 pr. shoes, 1 pr. breeches & 1 wa[i]stcoat, to allow James SMITH 5/-, to allow Rich'd SAGE & wife 4/- a week from this time.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, Tho's READ, Simon DANDO, Joseph BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held this 9th day of November 1768,

it was **agreed** to give James GOULD two shillings a week to keep Hannah BIG[G/S]' two small children and to have 2 shifts for each & 2 pair of Stockens [stockings] & 1 pr. shoes each.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, Simon DANDO, Corn's HARRIS.

At an Annual Vestry held this 27th of March 1769,

we, whose names are under, do **nominate** Mrs [Mary] BLINMAN and Cornelius HARRIS Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for the year 1769.

Weekly Callender (sic)

John PURNELL	2. 0
Rob't PURNELL	1. 0
An[n] FRANCIS	1. 0 [Pd. 2/- p.w. to include Cherry
Cher. [FRANCIS]'s child	1. 0 (Charity)'s child]
M[ary] TUCKER	2. 0
S[arah] TUCKER	2. 0
C[harles] TUCKER['s] child'n	6. 6 [Pd. 52 Wks. at 6/6, 3 at 4/6]
Joyce VATER	1. 0

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S[arah] COLLIER	1. 0
M[ary] SAGE	2. 0
[William] VOWLES' 2 child'n	3. 6 [Pd. 45 Wks. at 3/6, 10 at 3/-]
M[ary] FLOWER's child	1. 6
W[idow of Elias] EMERY	2. 0
W[idow Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0
Francis JAMES	3. 0
Widow [Martha] STICKLER	4. 0
W[idow Elizabeth] HARRIS	1. 3
Joseph BATH's family	3. 0 [Pd. 4 Wks. only]
Nicholas POOL	1. 6 [Pd. 29 Wks. at 1/6, 26 at 1/-]
[Hannah] BIG[G]S' 2 children	2. 0
[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB.	

Church wardens **chosen** for the year 1769 at an Annual Vestry held this 27th day of March 1769, Thomas LANSDOWN and Joseph BRODRIBB.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS.

At a Vestry held this 12th day of April 1769,

it was **agreed** to pay Dr. PERKINS for Inoculating John HART, Thomas PICKFORD and Rich'd TUCKER the sum of 4.14. 6; To allow Flower JAMES 1/- pr. week for attendance with An[n] PARSONS and 2/- pr. week to the said An[n] PARSONS, and to allow Ed. PERRY what shall be thought necessary for her (*sic*) house rent.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Jacob MOGG, Wm. SKEY, John BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN.

At a Vestry held this 10th day of May 1769,

it was **Agreed** to pay 19/5 for Expences and looking after Mary BIG[G]S in the Small Pox & 16/- for burying her; to allow N[icholas] POOL 2/6 over his weekly pay.

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB.

High Littleton. At a Vestry there held the 5th Day of Jan'ry 1770,

It was **agreed** that Mr John BRODRIBB shall be desired to attend at Wells Sessions against Joseph BATH & that the said Joseph BATH shall be continued in Prison unless ample Satisfaction is made this Parish for the Expence they have been at in maintaining his Family; And that Farmer HARRIS, as Overseer, shall forthwith provide necessary Cloathing for three of Charles TUCKER's Children; And also that the sd. Farmer HARRIS shall pay one year's House Rent for Robert PRAPPEL [*FRAPWELL*] up to Mich'mas last, the said Robert FRAPPEL, by a bodily Misfortune, being rendered incapable of paying the same.

[Sgd] Rich'd TUCKER, Jacob MOGG, John BRODRIBB, Jno. PURNELL.

At a Vestry held the 24 Jan'y 1770,

It was **agreed** to allow Zephaniah BULLOCK one Guinea, to buy a bed & bedstead & Cloaths for John PURNEL[L] and to buy a Coat & breeches for Geo. LACEY.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Jos'h BRODRIBB, John BRODRIBB, Will'm SKEY.

At an Annual Vestry held this 16 day of April 1770,

we, whose names are under, do **nominate** Thomas JAMES and John EVANS Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for the year 1770.

Weekly Callendar (*sic*)

John PURNEL[L]	2. 0
Rob't PURNEL[L]	1. 0 [Pd. 30 Wks. only]
An[n] FRANCIS	1. 0
Cher. [<i>FRANCIS</i>]s child	1. 0
Charles TUCKER's Children	6. 6 [Pd. whole year at 4/6]
S[arah] COLLIER	1. 0
Mary SAGE	2. 0 Dy'd 1st May [Pd. 2 Wks.]
[William] VOWLES' 2 Children	3. 0
M[ary] FLOWER's Child	1. 6
W[idow of Elias] EMERY	2. 0
W[idow Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0

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Frank JAMES	3. 0
Widow [Martha] STICKLER [STICKLAND]	4. 0
W[idow Elizabeth] HARRIS	1. 3
Nicho's POOL	1. 6
[Hannah] BIG[G]'S 2 Children	2. 0
B[etty] SMITH's Bastard	1. 0
Mary TUCKER	1. 0
Mary TYLAR [TYLER]	1. 0

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS, Thomas LANSDOWN.

[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1770.]

At a Vestry held the 9th of May 1770,

it was **Agreed** to pay Sarah TUCKER's house rent for this present year, to cloath Rob't PURNEL[L] out of his pay, to allow Widow QUARMAN 4/- in her sickness, to allow 3/6 to buy a Spinning turn for Mary SMITH, to allow 10/6 for cloaths for Leah TUCKER and to allow James TUCKER 2/- pr. week from Saturday the 6th of May for keeping the said Leah TUCKER, to allow 10/- for Bett. SMITH's house room for this year and to give her 5/- for buying her a Sheet.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB.

At a Vestry held the 24th of October 1770,

it was Agreed to apply for an Order to Remove John CLARK and his family, and to remove Jane PICKFORD, and to have Rachael PRIDDY to swear to the father of her Bastard Child.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB, Will'm SKEY, Jacob MOGG.

At a Vestry held the 4th of December 1770,

it was agreed to allow Dr. PERKINS Six Guineas to cut of[f] Frank JAMES' Leg & his Attendance on him till Cur'd, and to allow Nicholas POOL a shirt.

[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, John BRODRIBB.

At an Annual Vestry held the 1st day of April 1771,

we, whose names are under, do **Nominate** Rich'd LANGFORD and George TUCKER Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton for ye year 1771.

Weekly Calander (sic)	£. s. d.
Francis JAMES	3. 0 [Pd. 51 Wks. only]
John PURNEL[L]	2. 0
An[n] FRANCIS	1. 0
Cherry [Charity] FRANCIS's Child [John]	1. 0
[Charles] TUCKER's Children	4. 6
Sarah COLLIER	1. 0
[William] VOWLES's Children	0
[Mary] FLOWER's Child	1. 6
The Wid. [Martha] STICKLAND	3. 0
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS	1. 6
Nick. POOL	1. 6
[Hannah] BIGGS's Children	2. 0
Betty SMITH's Bastard	1. 0
Mary TUCKER	1. 0
Mary TYLAR	1. 0
Lea[h] TUCKER	2. 0
Sarah TUCKER	3. 0
Rob't PURNEL[L]	1. 0
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 0
The Wid. [of Elias] EMERY	2. 0
George LACEY	1. 0 [Pd. 18 Wks. at 1/-, 37 at 1/6]
Mary PURNEL[L]	1. 0
The Wid. [Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN.

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[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1771.]

At a Vestry held this 3d day of March 1772,

It was Agreed to buy 2 Garments for Widow [Phoebe] QUARMAN's children, to allow Martha ST(R)ICKLAND five or Six shillings for Cloaths for [Charles] TUCKER's Children, To allow Six or Seven shillings to Cloath [Hannah] BIG[G/S]' child, to allow Sarah TUCKER in her Illness 5/-, To buy a Coat for Ann FRANCIS, for the Overseers to allow John THATCHER what they think is necessary (*sic*) in his Illness, for the Overseer to advance 1/- a Week to Betty WILKINS from 25 December last, to be repaid by the Parish of Milsham [Melksham].

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN,

At an Annual Vestry held the 20th day of April 1772,

we, whose names are under, do **Nominate** Step'n JORDAN & Cor's HARRIS Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton for ye year 1772.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
John PURNEL[L]	2. 0
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0
Cherry [Charity] FRANCIS's Child [John]	1. 0
[Charles] TUCKER's Children	4. 6
Sarah COLLIER	1. 0
[Mary] FLOWER's Child	1. 6
The Wid. [Martha] STICKLAND	3. 0
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS	1. 6
Nick. POOL	1. 6 Dead [Pd. 26 Wks. at 1/6, 4 at 2/6]
[Hannah] BIGGS's Children	2. 0
Betty SMITH's Bastard	1. 0 [Pd. 46 Wks. only]
Mary TUCKER	0
Mary TYLAR	1. 0
Lea[h] TUCKER	1. 6
Sarah TUCKER	2. 0
Rob't PURNEL[L]	1. 0 [Pd 38 Wks. only]
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 0 [Pd. 26 Wks. at 1/-, 25 at 1/6]
The Wid. [of Elias] EMERY	2. 6
George LACEY	1. 6
Mary PURNEL[L]	1. 0
The Wid. [Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0
Mary CHIVERS	2. 0
John THATCHER & Wife	4. 0 Dead [Pd. 8 Wks. only]

[Sgd] Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho. DANDO, Thomas LANSDOWN, George TUCKER.

[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1772.]

At an Annual Vestry held the 12th of April 1773,

we, whose Names are under, do **Nominate** Simon DANDO & John WHATLEY Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for ye year 1773.

A Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
John PURNEL[L]	2. 0
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0
John FRANCIS	1. 0
[Charles] TUCKER's Children	4. 0
Sarah COLLIER	1. 6
[Mary] FLOWER's Child	1. 6
The Wid. [Martha] STICKLAND	3. 0
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS	1. 6
[Hannah] BIGGS's Children	1. 6 [Pd. 9 Wks. at 1/6, 42 at 1/-]
Betty SMITH's Child	1. 0 Dead [not till Jun 1775]

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Mary TYLAR	1. 0
Lea[h] TUCKER	1. 6 [Pd. 9 Wks. at 1/6, 42 at 1/-]
Sarah TUCKER	2. 0
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 6
The Wid. [of Elias] EMERY	2. 6
Mary PURNEL[L]	1. 0
The Wid. [Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0
James SMITH	4. 6
Mary BATH	4. 0
The Wid. [Martha] HOLBROOK	1. 6
George LACEY	1. 6
Sarah JAMES	1. 0 [Pd. 36 Wks. only]
[Sgd] Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS, Stephen JORDAN, Thomas LANSDOWN.	

[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1773.]

At a Vestry held this 24th day of June [1773],

it was **Agreed** to allow Betty BULL 1/6 pr. week from the 12th June last, To allow Geo. TUCKER 10/- for Cloathing Charles TUCKER's Children, To allow the youngest of [Hannah] BIG[G]S' Children 1/6 pr. week.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN.

At an Annual Vestry held the 4th of April 1774,

we, whose Names are under, do **Nominate** John PARSONS, for his Estate at Ritons [Ridens], and Ab. COOK Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for the Year 1774.

A Weekly Calander (sic)		£. s. d.
John PURNEL[L]	2. 0 [Pd 26 Wks. - Dead]	
Ann FRANCIS	1. 0	
John FRANCIS	1. 0	
[Charles] TUCKER's Children	4. 0	
Sarah COLLIER	1. 6 [Pd. 49 Wks. - Dead]	
[Mary] FLOWER's Child	1. 6	
The Wid. [Martha] STICKLAND	2. 6 [Pd. 51 Wks. at 2/6-, 3 at 3/-]	
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS	1. 6	
[Hannah] BIGGS's Child [Maid]	1. 0	
Betty SMITH's Child	1. 0	
Mary TYLAR [TYLER]	1. 0	
Lea[h] TUCKER	1. 0 [Pd. 5 Wks. at 1/-, 49 at 6d.]	
Sarah TUCKER	2. 0	
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 6	
The Wid. [of Elias] EMERY	2. 6	
Mary PURNEL[L]	1. 3	
The Wid. [Phoebe] QUARMAN	2. 0	
James SMITH	4. 6 [Pd. 5 Wks. only, Widow pd. 3 at 2/6, 18 at 3/6, 28 at 3/-]	
Mary BATH	4. 0	
The Wid. [Martha] HOLBROOK	1. 6	
George LACEY	1. 6	
Wm. GAGE	2. 6	

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Corn's HARRIS.

[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1774.]

At a Vestry held this 10th day of May 1774,

It was **agreed** to allow the late James SMITH's Widow [Mary] 2/6 a Week, to allow the Widow [Betty] BULL 1/- a Week, and John PURNELL 2/6 a week, and Leah TUCKER 6d. a week.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN.

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At(t) a Vestry held this 18th Day of November 1774 in the Parish Church of High Littleton, it was unanimously **agreed** upon by us, whose Names are subscribed, the Inhabitants & Paymasters of the said Parish then and there present, as follows: First, that Sarah HOLLOWAY be allowed two Shillings & 6d. a Week during her present Illness, that George LACEY be allowed 6d. pr. Week to pay for his House Room, that Notice be forthwith given by one of the Overseers to Sarah EVANS and Ralph ROGERS, to remove with their Families out of this Parish to the Parishes to which they respectively belong, at or before Lady Day next, that two of the present Overseers do, at some Petty Sessions to be held in and for this Division before and on this side *[of]* the 1st Day of Jan'y next, cause Thomas POOL, Thomas BRIMBLE and George MAGGS, all now Inhabitants in this Parish, to be examined as to the Parishes to which they respectively belong.
[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rich'd LANGFORD, Tho's LANSDOWN.

At an Annual Vestry held the 17th Day of April 1775,
 We, whose Names are subscribed, do **nominate** Mr William SKEY, for his Estate at Hallowtrow and Robert BAKER, for the Estate at Broomhills, Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for the Year 1775.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Ann(e) FRANCIS	1. 6
<i>[Charles]</i> TUCKER's Children	2. 6
Wido. <i>[Martha]</i> STICKLAND	2. 0
Wido. <i>[Betty]</i> HARRIS	1. 6
Betty SMITH's Child	1. 0 Dead
Mary TYLER	1. 0
Leah TUCKER	0. 6
Sarah TUCKER	3. 6
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 6
Wido. <i>[of Elias]</i> EMERY	2. 6 Dead <i>[Pd. 28 Wks.]</i>
Wido. <i>[Phoebe]</i> QUARMAN	2. 0
Wido. <i>[Mary]</i> SMITH	3. 0
Mary BATH	4. 0
Wido. <i>[Martha]</i> HOLBROOK's Child	1. 6 <i>[Martha married Samuel GREEN 26 June 1775]</i>
Geo. LACEY	1. 6 Dead <i>[Pd. 41 Wks.]</i>
William GAGE and Wife	3. 0
Betty BULL	1. 0
Martha TYLER	1. 0
Sarah HOLLOWAY	2. 0

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Corn's HARRIS, Thomas LANSDOWN.

[Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1775.]

At *[an]* annual(l) Vestry held the 8th day of April 1776,
 We, whose names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Mr Joseph BRODRIBB for Red House and John PARSONS for Mr MOGG's Estate near the Church Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for ye Year 1776.

Weekly Calender <i>(sic)</i>	s. d.
Ann FRANCIS	1. 6
<i>[Charles]</i> TUCKER's Children	2. 0
Wid. <i>[Martha]</i> STICKLAND	1. 6
Wid. <i>[Betty]</i> HARRIS	1. 6
Mary TYLAR	1. 0
Lea <h>] TUCKER</h>	0. 6
Sarah TUCKER	3. 0
Margaret(t) VOWLES	1. 6 Dead <i>[Nothing paid]</i>
Wid. <i>[Phoebe]</i> QUARMAN	2. 0 <i>[Pd. 38 Wks. at 2/-, 13 at 2/6]</i>
Wid. <i>[Mary]</i> SMITH	2. 6
Mary BATH	3. 0
<i>[late John]</i> HOLBROOK's Child	1. 0
Wm. GAGE & Wife	3. 0
Betty BULL	1. 0

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Martha TYLAR	1. 0
Sarah HOLLOWAY	2. 0 Dead [<i>Pd. 28 Wks.</i>]
Sarah CORNISH	1. 0
Fra's JAMES	1. 6
Betty TAYLOR's Child	1. 6
Sarah GAGE	3. 0

[*Unsigned but preceding Accounts signed by*] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Jno. PURNELL, Thomas LANSDOWN.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1776.*]

Parish of High Littleton. The 18th Day of June 1776.

At(t) a Vestry this Day held in the Parish Church of Highlittleton aforesaid (due Notice thereof having been first given), the State of the Bells in the Tower belonging to the said Parish was taken into Consideration. And it was then **agreed** on by us, whose Names are subscribed, the majority of the Paymasters of the said Parish assembled at the said Vestry, That the Tenor Bell shall be immediately taken down and new cast by William BILBIE of Chewstoke, Bellfounder. And the said Will'm BILBIE hath agreed and undertaken to new cast the said Bell and doth engage to furnish the said Parish with a new Tenor Bell, equal in weight to the present one, on his being allowed one Guinea p. Hundred for new casting the old Met(t)al(l) and on being paid for one Pound of new Met(t)al on every twenty Pounds according to the weight of the old Bell, for Waste. And which we, the said paymasters have **agreed** to allow and pay him for doing the same. And it is further **agreed** that, if the new Bell shall exceed the old Bell in weight, the said Parish shall allow the said Wm. BILBIE after the rate of One Shilling p. Pound for such over weight. And, if the new Bell happens to be lighter than the old one, the said Wm. BILBIE shall allow the said Parish after the Rate of One Shilling p. Pound for such Deficiency.

[*Sgd*] Jacob MOGG, Tho's READ, Wm. SKEY, Thomas DANDO, Step'n JORDAN, Joseph BRODRIBB, John HART, Thomas LANSDOWN, Jno. PURNELL.

[*Sgd*] William BILBIE. Attested by Thomas GREEN.

At a[n] Annual(l) Vestry held the 31st March 1777,

We, Whose names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Mr Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r, for his Estate at Hallatrow, and William DRURY Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for the Year 1777.

Weekly Callender (<i>sic</i>)	s. d.
Ann FRANCIS	1. 6
[<i>Charles</i>] TUCKER['s] Children	1. 6
The Wid. [<i>Martha</i>] STICKLAND	1. 0
The Wid. [<i>Betty</i>] HARRIS	1. 6
Mary TYLAR	1. 0
Lea[h] TUCKER	0. 6
Sarah TUCKER	2. 0
The Wid. [<i>Phoebe</i>] QUARMAN	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 15 Wks. at 2/6, 40 at 1/-</i>]
The Wid. [<i>Mary</i>] SMITH	2. 0
Mary BATH	3. 0
[<i>late John</i>] HOLBROOK's Child	1. 0
Wm. GAGE & Wife	3. 0
Betty BULL	0. 6
Martha TYLAR	1. 0
Sarah CORNISH	1. 0
Fra's JAMES	1. 6
[<i>John</i>] DANDO's Children	3. 0
Sarah GAGE	3. 0
Mary LANGFORD	0. 9

[*Sgd*] Tho. DANDO, Will'm SKEY, Step'n JORDAN, Jno. PURNELL, Corn's HARRIS, Thomas LANSDOWN.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1777.*]

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At a[n] Annual(l) Vestry held the 20th of April 1778,

We, whose Names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Joseph BRODRIBB Jun'r and Cor's HARRIS Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for ye Year 1778.

A Weekly Calender (sic)		s. d.
Ann FRANCIS		1. 6
[Charles] TUCKER['s] Child		1. 0
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS		1. 6
Mary TYLAR		1. 0
Sarah TUCKER		2. 0
Mary SMITH		2. 0
Mary BATH		2. 6 [Pd. 50 Wks. at 3/-]
[late John] HOLBROOK's Child		1. 0
Wm. GAGE & Wife		3. 0
Martha TYLAR		1. 0
Sarah CORNISH		1. 0
Fra's JAMES		1. 6
[John] DANDO's Children		3. 0
Sarah GAGE		3. 0
Mary LANGFORD		0. 9
John VATER		3. 0 [Pd. 22 Wks. only]
Jane SAGE [George SAGE's Family]		2. 0 [Pd. 21 Wks. only]
[Signed under Accounts, above Minutes] Jacob MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's LANSDOWN, Corn's HARRIS.		

[Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1778.]

At a[n] Annual(l) Vestry held the 5th April 1779,

We, whose names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** John BLINMAN & George CLARK Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for the Year 1779.

A Weekly Calender (sic)		s. d.
Ann FRANCIS		1. 6
[Charles] TUCKER['s] Child		1. 0 [Pd. 51 Wks. at 2/- for Child'n]
The Wid. [Betty] HARRIS		1. 6 Dead [Pd. 47 Wks.]
Mary TYLAR		1. 0 [Pd. 12 Wks. at 1/-, 39 at 1/6]
Sarah TUCKER - pay her Own rent		2. 0
Mary SMITH		2. 0
Mary BATH		2. 6 [Pd. 47 Wks. at 2/6, 4 at 3/-]
[late John] HOLBROOK's Child		1. 0 [Nothing apparently paid]
Wm. GAGE & Wife		3. 0 W. GAGE Dead [Pd. 39 Wks. at 1/6 & Ann GAGE 51 at 1/6]
Martha TYLAR		1. 0
Sarah CORNISH [Widow]		1. 0 [Pd. 51 Wks. at 1/6]
Francis JAMES		1. 6
[John] DANDO's Children		3. 0
Sarah GAGE		3. 0
Mary LANGFORD['s] Child]		1. 0
John VATER		3. 0
Tho's BEAN		2. 0 Dead [Pd 11 Wks.]
Jos. HARRIS		2. 3
Jacob LOVE		1. 0 [Pd. 29 Wks. at 1/6]
Betty STICKLAND		2. 0
[Signed under Accounts, above Minutes] Joseph BRODRIBB, Jno. PURNELL, Thomas LANSDOWN.		

[Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1779.]

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11th May 1779.

At(t) a Vestry this day held in the Parish Church of High Littleton in the County of Somerset (due Notice thereof having been first given),

it was unanimously **agreed** upon by us, whose Names are subscribed, the Inhabitants and Payers to the Rates of sd. Parish then and there present, that twenty Church Rates be forthwith made and collected for the necessary Repa(i)rations of the aforesaid Church.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, The Mark of X George TUCKER the Younger.

At a[n] Annual(l) Vestry held the 27th March 1780,

We, whose names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Geo. TUCKER Sen'r & Joseph COLLINS Sen'r Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for the Year 1780.

A Weekly Calender (sic)		s. d.
Ann FRANCIS		1. 6 Dead [Pd. 13 Wks. at 1/6, 12 at 2/-]
[Charles] TUCKER['s] Child [Boy]		1. 0 Dead [noted in error]
[late John] HOLBROOK's Child		1. 0
Mary TYLAR		1. 6
Sarah TUCKER		2. 0
Mary SMITH		2. 0
Ann GAGE		1. 6
Martha TYLAR		1. 6
Sarah CORNISH [Widow]		1. 6
Francis JAMES		1. 6
[John] DANDO's Children		3. 0
Sarah GAGE [Sarah VOWLES' Children]		3. 0 [Sarah GAGE married Robert VOWLES 18 Sep 1780]
Mary LANGFORD		0. 9
John VATER['s Children]		3. 0 Dead [June 1780]
Joseph HARRIS		2. 3
Jacob LOVE		2. 0
Betty STICKLAND		2. 0
Rob't PURNELL		1. 0
Ann PURNELL		1. 0
Hannah HARRIS		1. 6
Mary BATH		2. 6

[Signed under Accounts] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas LANSDOWN, Joseph BRODRIBB [different signature].

[Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1780.]

At a[n] Annual(l) Vestry held the 16th April 1781,

We, whose names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Wm. [Skey] PURNEL[L] & Thomas FLOWER Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Highlittleton for ye Year 1781.

A Weekly Calender (sic)		s. d.
[Charles] TUCKER['s] Boy		1. 0 Dead [Pd. 9 Wks.]
[late John] HOLBROOK's Child [Boy]		1. 0
Mary TYLAR		1. 6
Sarah TUCKER		1. 0
Mary SMITH		1. 0
Ann GAGE		1. 6
Martha TYLAR		1. 6
Sarah CORNISH [Widow]		1. 6
Fra's JAMES		1. 6
[John] DANDO's Children		3. 0 [Pd. 21 Wks. at 3/-, 29 at 2/-]
Sarah VOWLES		2. 0 [Pd. 21 Wks. at 2/-, 29 at 3/-]
Mary LANGFORD['s Child]		0. 9
The Wid. VATER [Mary]		3. 0

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Jos. HARRIS	2. 3
Jacob LOVE	2. 0
Betty STICKLAND	2. 0 Dead [Pd. 2 Wks.]
Martha STICKLAND for Looking after Do.	1. 0 [Pd. 2 Wks. only]
Rob't PURNELL	1. 0
Ann PURNELL	1. 0
Han. HARRIS	1. 6
Mary BATH	2. 0
Abiga[i/l] HOUSE	1. 6
Betty EMERY	1. 0 [Pd. 12 Weeks only]

[Signed under Accounts] Joseph BRODRIBB, Jacob MOGG, Thomas LANSDOWN, Joseph BRODRIBB [different signature], Corn's HARRIS, Jno. PURNELL.

[Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1781.]

At a Vestry Held the 22nd day of April 1782,

We, whose Names are Subscribed, do **Nominate** Lawrence LANSDOWN & Ste'n JORDAN Overseers For the Parish of Highlittleton For the Year 1782.

A Weekly Calender (sic)		s. d.
[late John] HOLBROOK's Child [Boy]		1. 0
Mary TYLAR [TYLER]		1. 6
Sarah TUCKER		1. 0
Mary SMITH		1. 0
Ann GAGE		1. 6 Died March 21st 1783 [Pd. 51 Wks.]
Martha TYLAR [TYLER]		1. 6
Sar. CORNISH [Widow]		2. 0 & 1/- pr. week more From 17th Aug. Died Aug 23rd [Pd. 15 Wks. at 2/-, 6 at 1/9]
Francis JAMES		2. 0
[John] DANDO's Children		2. 0
Sar. VOWLES		2. 6
Mary LANGFORD		0. 9
Jos. HARRIS		2. 3 died July 5th [Pd. 14 Weeks]
Wid'w [Mary] VATER		3. 0
Jacob LOVE		2. 0
Rob't PURNELL		1. 0
Ann PURNELL		1. 0
Han'a HARRIS		1. 6 Died June 20th [Pd. 12 Wks.]
Mary BATH		2. 0
Abigail HOUSE		1. 9 Died Oct'r 5th [Pd. 27 Wks.]
Geo. VOWLES		3. 0
Wid'w [Mary] ASHMAN		3. 6 & 1/- pr. week more From the 17 Aug't [Pd. 20 Wks. at 3/6, 8 at 4/6]

[Signed under Accounts] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Wm. SKEY.

[Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1782.]

April 21st 1783.

It was **agreed** upon at the Vestry to Al[l]ow John PRIDDY One Pound ten Shillings towards paying his hous[e] Rent for the Next Year.

Also to Al[l]ow George VOWLES One Pound towards Will'm VOWLES' Hous[e] Rent;

Also to Al[l]ow Martha STICKLAND One Pound ten Shillings towards paying her Hous[e] Rent, She promise[d] to pay the Rest.

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At a Vestry Held this 21st day of April 1783,

We, Whose names are Subscriber (*sic*), Do **Nominate** John WHATLEY for Mr READ's Estate and Nehemiah SAGE for the Estate Late Tho's DANDO's [*Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of High Littleton for the Year 1783*].

A Weekly Calender (<i>sic</i>)		s. d.
[<i>late John</i>] HOLBROOK's Child [<i>Boy</i>]		0. 6
Mary TYLER		1. 6 Died Feb'ry 5th [<i>Pd. 42 Wks.</i>]
Sarah TUCKER		1. 0
Mary BATH		2. 0
Mary SMITH		1. 0
Martha TYLER		1. 6
Frances [<i>Francis</i>] JAMES		2. 0
Sarah VOWLES		1. 6
Mary LANGFORD		0. 6
Wid'w [<i>Mary</i>] VATER		3. 0
Jacob LOVE		2. 0
Rob't PURNELL		1. 0
Ann PURNELL [<i>Wife of above</i>]		1. 0
George VOWLES & Wife		3. 0
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN		4. 6
Ann SAGE		0. 6 Died Feb'ry 27 [<i>Pd. 45 Wks.</i>]
James TUCKER's Widow [<i>Ann</i>]		4. 0 [<i>Pd. 40 Wks. at 4/-, 11 at 2/-</i>]
Martha STICKLAND for Looking After Mary TYLER		0. 6 [<i>Pd 42 Wks. only</i>]
Joyce VATER		1. 6
Betty EMERY		1. 0

[*Signed under Accounts*] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Wm. SKEY.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1783.*]

At a Vestry held this 12th Day of April 1784,

We, whose Names are subscribed, do **nominate** James WEEKS, for J. PURNELL's Estate and Cornelius HARRIS, for BRIMBLE's Estate, Overseers for the Year ensuing.

A Weekly Calendar		s. d.
Sarah TUCKER		1. 0
Mary BATH		2. 0
Mary SMITH		1. 0
Martha TYLER		1. 6
Francis JAMES & Wife		2. 6 [<i>Pd. 26 Wks. at 2/6, 24 at 3/-</i>]
Sarah VOWLES		1. 6
Mary LANGFORD		0. 6 [<i>Pd. 22 Wks. at 6d, 28 at 9d.</i>]
Wido. [<i>Mary</i>] VATER		3. 0
Jacob LOVE [<i>& Child</i>]		1. 6 [<i>Pd. 50 Wks. at 2/6</i>]
Robert PURNELL		1. 0
Ann PURNELL [<i>Wife of above</i>]		1. 6 dead [<i>Pd. 28 Wks. at 2/6</i>]
George VOWLES & Wife		3. 0
Wido. [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN		4. 6
James TUCKER's Wido. [<i>Ann</i>]		2. 0
Joyce VATER		1. 0
Betty EMERY		1. 0
Richard PRIDDY & Wife		3. 0
William HARRIS and Family		3. 0

[*Signed under Accounts*] Jacob MOGG, Thomas LANSDOWN, Joseph BRODRIBB, Jno. PURNELL, Rich'd LANGFORD, Wm. SKEY.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1784.*]

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At the Annual Vestry held this 28th Day of March 1785,

We, whose Names are subscribed, do **nominate** Mr William SKEY, for Hollybush Estate and Farmer William DRURY, for BROOKES's Estate, Overseers of this Parish for the Year ensuing.

A Weekly Calendar	s. d.
Sarah TUCKER	1. 0
Mary BATH	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 51 Wks. at 2/-, 4 at 1/-</i>]
Mary SMITH	1. 0
Martha TYLER	1. 6
Francis JAMES & Wife	3. 0
Sarah VOWLES	1. 0
Mary LANGFORD	0. 9
Wido. [<i>Mary</i>] VATER	2. 6
Jacob LOVE & Child	2. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 31 Wks. at 1/-, 24 at 1/6</i>]
George VOWLES & Wife	2. 6
Wido. [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN	4. 6
James TUCKER's Children	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 33 Wks. at 2/-, 2 at 1/-</i>]
Joyce VATER	1. 0 Dead [<i>Pd. 47 Wks.</i>]
Betty EMERY	1. 0
Richard PRIDDY & Wife	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 31 Wks. at 2/6, 24 at 1/6</i>]
William HARRIS & Family	3. 0
John AMESBURY's Child	1. 0
Thomas PICKFORD	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 9 Wks. only</i>]

[*Signed under Accounts*] Joseph BRODRIBB, Jacob MOGG, Thomas LANSDOWN.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1785.*]

High Littleton. At the Annual Vestry held this 23d Day of April 1786,

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do **nominate** Mr Joseph BRODRIBB, Clothier, for his Home Est. & William DRURY for Litt'n Est. Overseers of this Parish for the Y'r ensuing.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Sarah TUCKER	0. 6
Mary BATH's Children	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 14 Wks. at 2/-, 22 at 1/6 & 15 at 1/-</i>]
Martha TYLER	1. 6
Francis JAMES & Wife	3. 0
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] VATER	2. 6
Jacob LOVE & Child	2. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
George VOWLES & Wife	2. 6
Betty EMERY	1. 0
William HARRIS & Family	3. 0
Richard PRIDDY and Wife [<i>Susannah</i>]	1. 6 She Dead [<i>June 1786</i>] [<i>Pd. 9 Wks. at 1/6, 25 at 1/-</i>]
James FIELD & Child [<i>Family</i>]	2. 6
Robert CHIVERS's Wife & Child'n	5. 0 [<i>Pd. £2. 4. 6 at several times</i>]
Edward PERRY's Child at Littleton	1. 0
Do. at Bath	1. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 0
Sarah VOWLES	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 48 Wks. only</i>]
Mary LANGFORD[<i>'s Child</i>]	0. 6
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN [<i>& Children</i>]	4. 6
James TUCKER's Child'n	0. 9
Ann STICKLAND	1. 0

[*Signed under Accounts*] Jacob MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Thomas LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

[*Joseph BRODRIBB Sen'r and Thomas LANSDOWN continued as Churchwardens for 1786.*]

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High Littleton, 14th August 1786.

At a Vestry this day held (due Notice thereof having been first given),

It is **ordered** that Robert CHIVERS's Wife and Children be allowed Four Shillings a Week, & That Joseph CHIVERS's Child be allowed two Shillings a Week.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton. At an Annual Vestry held this 9th day of April 1787.

We, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **Nominate** Mr William SKEY, for Hallatrow and Mr Cornelius HARRIS for Kingwell, Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Sarah TUCKER	0. 6
Mary BATH's Child	1. 0
Martha TYLER	1. 6 dead
Francis JAMES & Wife [<i>?Mary</i>]	3. 0 Franc. JAMES Dy'd July 8th
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] VATOR [<i>VATER</i>]	1. 6
Jacob LOVE & Child	2. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
George VOWLES & Wife [<i>Mary</i>]	2. 6 he dead
Betty EMORY [<i>EMERY</i>]	1. 0
William HARRIS and Family	2. 6
Richard PRIDDY	1. 0
James FIELD & Child	2. 6 Child dead
Edward PERRY's Child at High Littleton	1. 0
Do. at Bath	1. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 0
Mary LANGFORD's Child	0. 6
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN	4. 6
James TUCKER's Children	0. 9
Ann STICKLAND	0. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Child	2. 0
Isaac PARFIT[<i>T</i>] & Wife	2. 0
Abraham COLLIER's Widow and Family	5. 0

[Signed under Accounts] Jacob MOGG, Thomas LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, June 6th 1787.

At a Vestry held this Day (Notice thereof having been first given),

It was **Ordered** that Joseph CHIVERS be allowed Three Shillings per Week, and Ann HOOK One Shilling for attend'g him per Week; That Isaac PARFITT be allowed Three Shillings per Week.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Jno. PURNELL, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, March 31st 1788.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day, We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do **nominate** Mr Joseph BRODRIBB for Red House Estate, and Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for RUDDOCK's Estate, Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

A Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Sarah TUCKER	0. 6
Mary JAMES	1. 0
Jacob LOVE and Child	2. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMERY	1. 0
Richard PRIDDY	1. 0
Isaac PARFIT[<i>T</i>] and Wife	3. 0
Daniel PICKFORD	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 44 Wks. only - Dead (Feb 1789)</i>]
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN & family	4. 6
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] VATER	1. 6
John DANDO's Widow [<i>Anne</i>]	2. 0

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Joseph CHIVERS & Family	3. 0
Abraham COLLIER's Widow [<i>Martha</i>]	4. 0
William HARRIS & Family	2. 6
Edward PERRY's Child at High Littleton	1. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 0
Ann STICKLAND	0. 6
[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Thomas MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, Thomas LANSDOWN.	

High Littleton, April 13th 1789.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day, We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do **nominate** Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for late PURNELL's [*MOORE's*], and Mr Joseph BRODRIBB Jun'r for his Estate at Hallatrow, Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Wm. SKEY, John JAMES, Rd. LANGFORD.

A Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Sarah TUCKER	0. 6
Mary JAMES	1. 3
Jacob LOVE and Child	2. 9
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMERY	1. 0
Richard PRIDDY	1. 0
Isaac PARFIT/T] and Wife	3. 0
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] ASHMAN & family	4. 6
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] VATOR	1. 6
Widow [<i>Anne</i>] DANDO	1. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Child'n with Samuel CHIVERS	4. 0
Do. Child at Nurse	2. 0
Abraham COLLIER's Widow [<i>Martha</i>]	1. 0
Edward PERRY's Children	2. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLAND	1. 0
Robert FRAPWELL	1. 9
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] DURY - 2 Children	2. 6
[<i>John</i>] HART's Child	1. 0
Sarah VOWLES to pay her own house rent	1. 6
Charles TUCKER	1. 6

13th May 1789, Allowed, being verified on Oath before us, Jas. TOOKER, John BAND.

High Littleton, 21st July 1789.

At a Vestry this Day held in the Parish Church of High Littleton aforesaid (due Notice thereof having been first given), It is **ordered** by us, whose names are subscribed, the Parishioners of the said Parish then and there present, That a Sum not exceeding fifteen Pounds be immediately expended by the Overseers in repairing and altering the Parish House now occupied by John FRY and others.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Rd. LANGFORD.

Parish of High Littleton, 15th December 1789.

At a Vestry this day held at the usual Place (due Notice thereof having been first given), It was consented to and **agreed** that, Mr Joseph BRODRIBB, one of the Overseers, having lately, at the Request of several of the Principal Payers to the Poor of this Parish, entered into a Recognizance for the Appearance of John PALMER (a Parishioner of this Parish) at the next General Quarter Sessions and for the said John PALMER's abiding by and performing such Order or Orders as shall be then and there made respecting a Bastard Child, with which one Martha PARFITT was pregnant and who has charged the said John PALMER with having begotten the said Bastard Child, He, the said Joseph BRODRIBB, shall be indemnified, discharged and save harmless by this Parish of, from and against all Costs, Charges, Damages and Expences that he shall or may incur(r) or be subject or liable to, in Consequence of his entering into the said Recognizance as aforesaid.

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At the same time a Mode for Binding out the Poor Children was taken into consideration and it was **Agreed** that the whole Parish should be divided into the following Allot(t)ments, as taken from the value affixed to the several Estates by the present Poor Rate.

	£		£
No. 1 Mr Cornelius HARRIS	60	No. 9 Mr [Lawrence] LANSDOWN	38}
		Mrs HILL	2}
No. 2 Do.	28}	Jos. CLARK	2}
Do. (for his own Estate)	5}	Jas. HILL	10}
John FLOWER	8}	Jno. PARSONS	8}
Mr [William] SAVAGE	9}		
Tho's AMESBURY	10}	No. 10 Mr [Richard] LANGFORD	60
No. 3} The Ex'tors of G. HODGES Esq'r	140}	No. 11 Do.	14}
4} Mr [John] PURNELL	40}	Tho's WEBB, G. DUDDEN	36}
5}		Ex'ors of J[ohn] MOGG	5}
		Geo. CLARK	5}
No. 6 Wm. G.-LANGTON Esq'r	60		
		No. 12 William DRURY	50}
No. 7 Do.	26}	Mrs [Mary] FLOWER	10}
Mr John JAMES	32}		
George DUDDEN	1}	No. 13 Mr Geo. JAMES	53}
		Mr J[oseph] BRODRIBB Ma'r	13}
No. 8 Mr [William] SKEY	30}		
Mr [Stephen] JORDAN	15}	No. 14 Mr [Joseph] BRODRIBB	38}
J[acob] MOGG Esq'r	5}	Ex'rs of Mr [Thomas] READ	19}
Mr T[homas] DUDDEN	10}		

And it was **Agreed** that the Numbers of the above Allot(t)ments and also the Names of the respective Children intended to be placed out as Apprentices shall be written on Slips of Paper, and put into a Hat for the purpose of ascertaining which of the above Allot(t)ments shall receive such Child, and that the first Child Drawn shall be placed with the first Allot(t)ment drawn & to proceed in like manner with the remaining Numbers.

And it was further **Agreed** that, where the Allot(t)m't should be divided between several Persons, the largest proportion of such Allot(t)m't shall take the Apprentice, on being paid by the other Persons forming such Allot(t)t, their respective Proportions of the Sum of Ten pounds, which is hereby **Agreed** to be the Sum at which such Apprentice shall be taken; Unless the Parties making such Allot(t)m't shall otherwise determine it. And that a Copy of the above Allot(t)m'ts be placed at the Church Door for the inspection and approbation of all Persons interested.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Geo. MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Wm. SKEY, Jno. PURNELL, Rd. LANGFORD, John JAMES, L. LANSDOWN, Joseph BRODRIBB.

High Littleton, 5th April 1790.

At the annual Vestry held this day, We, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, do **nominate** John PARSONS for Mr MOGG's Estate near the Church [*own Estate at Riden's*] and John BLINMAN for Mr [GORE] LANGTON's Estate, Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Geo. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD.

Weekly Calendar

Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Richard PRIDDY	1. 6
Widow [Mary] VATOR	1. 6
Robert FRAPWELL	1. 9
Sarah TUCKER	1. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1. 0
Isaac PARFIT/T] and Wife	3. 6
Widow [Mary] A(I)SHMAN	4. 6
Widow [Anne] DANDO (now Wife of G. NAISH)	1. 6 [Anne married Joseph NAISH 13 Jul 1789]
Joseph CHIVERS's Children (with Sam'l CHIVERS)	5. 0

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Do.'s	Child at Nurse	2. 0
Widow COLLIER		1. 0
Edward PERRY's Children		2. 0
Mary SMITH		1. 6
Ann STICKLAND		1. 0
Widow [Mary] DURY (at Clutton)		2. 6
John HART's Child		1. 0
Charles TUCKER		1. 9

High Littleton, April 25th 1791.

At the Annual Vest(e)ry held this Day, we, who(u)se Names are he(a)re unto Subscribers (*sic*), Do **Nominate** Mr Stephen JORDAN, & Mr George TUCKER for ROSELL's [ROSEWELL] Estate, Overseers of the Poor for year Ensuing.

A Weekly Calender (<i>sic</i>)	£. s. d.
Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Rich'd PRIDDY	1. 9
Widow [Mary] VATER	1. 6
Rob't FRAPWELL	1. 9
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Mary TUCKER	1. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Rob't PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1. 0
Isacc (<i>sic</i>) PARFIT[T] & wife	3. 6
Widow [Mary] A(I)SHMAN Family	3. 0
Widow DANDO [Anne NAISH]'s Child	1. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Children with Sam'l CHIVERS	5. 0
Do	2. 0
Child at Nurse	2. 0
Widow [Martha] COLLIER Child	1. 0
Edward PERRY Child	1. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLAND	1. 0
Widow [Mary] DURY at Clutton	2. 6
John HART's Child	1. 0
Charles TUCKER	1. 6
Sarah CHIVERS & Fam(a)ily	1. 6
	<u>2. 1. 9</u>

[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Jacob MOGG, Wm. SKEY, Geo. MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Joseph BRODRIBB.

High Littleton, April 9th 1792.

At The Annual Vest(e)ry held this Day, we, who(u)se Names are he(a)re unto Subscribed, Do **Nominate** Mrs FLOWER for late BAYNTON's and Mr BREWER for the Brickhouse Estate, [to be Overseers for the year ensuing.]

A Weekl(e)y Calender (<i>sic</i>)	
Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Widow [Mary] VATER	1. 6
Rob't FRAPWELL	1. 9
Mary TUCKER	1. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Rob't PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1. 0
Isacc (<i>sic</i>) PARFIT[T] & Wife	3. 6
Widow [Mary] A(I)SHMAN	3. 0 [Pd. 26 Wks. at 3/6, 19 at 2/3]

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Joseph CHIVERS' Children	5. 0
Do Child at Nurs[e]	2. 0
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Widow [Martha] COLLIER Child	1. 0
Edward PERRY's Child	1. 0
Mary SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLAND	1. 0
Widow [Mary] DURY Children at Clutton	2. 6
John HART Child	1. 0
Widow DANDO [Anne NAISH]'s Child	1. 6
	1.17. 0

9th Ap'l 1792. At the Annual Vestry held this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton it was **Ordered** that Five Children, from such Families as shall be thought proper, be immediately Apprenticed to the Partners concerned in a Manufactory lately established at Twerton in the County of Somerset, upon the lowest Terms possible, and that the Overseers do pay out of the next collection all such Charges as shall be attendant thereon. It is also **Ordered** that the Five Children be taken from the following Families, viz't:

Two from George SAGE's Family
Two from John RAPPS's Family
One from Mary ASHMAN's Family

It is further **Ordered** that the Overseer do attend the next Gen'l Quart'r Sess's of the Peace to appear against Ab'm COOK, a Prisoner confined in Shepton Mallett Bridewell, for omitting to pay to a Bastard Child.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Geo. MOGG, Lawrence LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, 31st Octo'r 1792.

At a vestry held this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton aforesaid, pursuant to Notice thereof given, It is **directed** by us, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, Parishioners of the said Parish then present, That the Overseer do immediately pay unto Mr Jas. FLOWER of Chilcompton, surgeon, the sum of Thirteen pounds, eighteen shillings and six pence in part Discharge of his Bill for medicine and attendance on Priscilla FRY. That the Overseer do also purchase some Bed Clo(a)ths for Mary VOWLES & Mary ASHMAN of Hallatrow & such Clothes for Mary ASHMAN's Three Sons as he shall think necessary; And also Two Shifts for Mary SMITH.

It is also **Ordered** that Mr LANSDOWN do purchase a piece of Blanketing, a piece of Kersey & a piece of Linen Cloth for Garments, for the use of the poor of said Parish.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Will'm SKEY, Joseph BRODRIBB, Geo. MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Lawrence LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, April 1st 1793.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day, We, whose Names are hereunto subscribed do **nominate** Mr Thomas FLOWER of Hallatrow for the House, Orchard & Paddock, part of late Mr Simon DANDO's, and Mr LANSDOWN for late LOVE's [to be Overseers for the year ensuing.]

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Will'm SKEY, Geo. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD.

A Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Widow [Mary] VATOR	1. 6
Robert FRAPWELL for himself & his Lodgings	2. 3
Mary TUCKER	1. 6 [Pd. 17 Wks. only]
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1. 6
Isaac PARFITT for himself & his Lodgings	2. 3
Joseph CHIVERS's Two Youngest Children each 2/-	4. 0
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Widow [Martha] COLLIER's Child	1. 0
Mary SMITH	2. 0
Mary SMITH's Daughter Ann SMITH	1. 0
Ann STICKLAND	1. 6
Widow [Mary] D(R)URY's Children at Clutton	2. 6

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John HART's Child	1. 0
Widow DANDO [<i>Anne NAISH</i>]'s Child	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 39 Wks. only</i>]
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6
Ann HARRIS (at Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
George VOWLES & Wife [<i>Mary</i>]	2. 6 [<i>George Pd. 1/- for 11 Wks. died Jul 1793, Wife 1/6 all year</i>]
Widow [<i>Martha</i>] EDWARDS	1. 0
Mary BATH	1. 0
Ann HOOK's Child	1. 0
Tho's PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Catharine PRIDDY	0. 9
Flower PERRY's Child	1. 0

High Littleton, Tuesday Octo'r 15th 1793.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton aforesaid,
It was unanimously **resolved** by us, whose Hands are hereunto Subscribed, payers of the said Parish,
that the Overseer do allow unto Anne HOOK, for her present support, the Sum of 2/3 per week, and that he also
pay unto to Hannah DANDO the Sum of 2/3 pr. week for her looking after and care of said Anne HOOK;
That the Overseer deliver unto Sarah HOLLOWAY the Bed and Bed Clothes belong[ing] to Isaac PARFITT,
for her use so long as her may live to want it, which, on her Decease, is to be return'd to the Overseer for the time
being;
That the Overseer advances 10/6 to Robert PURNELL on his weekly pay;
That Sarah CHIVERS be paid 9d. pr. week for looking after Betty CHIVERS.
[*Sgd*] Jacob MOGG, Geo. MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD, Lawrence
LANSDOWN.

High Littleton, April 21st 1794.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day, We, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **nominate** Mr James BUSH
for his House and Estate at Littleton, and John STICKLAND for the House and Estate late John HILL's, to be
Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Mary VATOR ,Widow	1. 6
Robert FRAPWELL for himself & his Lodgings	2. 3
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES, Wido' (Hallatrow)	2. 0
Betty EMORY	1. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Two Youngest Child'n, the youngest 2/- & the eldest at 1/6	3. 6
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Widow [<i>Martha</i>] COLLIER's Child	1. 0
Mary SMITH	2. 0
Mary SMITH's Daughter Ann	1. 0
Ann STICKLAND	1. 6
Widow [<i>Mary</i>] D(R)URY's Child'n at Clutton	2. 6
John HART's Child	1. 0
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6
Ann HARRIS (at Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
Mary VOWLES, Widow (Littleton)	2. 6
Martha EDWARDS, Wido'	1. 0
Mary BATH, Wido'	1. 0
Ann HOOK's Eldest Child	1. 0
Tho's PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Catharine PRIDDY	0. 9
Geo. SAGE's Family	4. 0
Geo. HARMON's, Wido' [<i>Grace</i>] & Family (Bristol)	4. 0
Mary HARRIS	1. 0

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Betty HARRIS & Child 2. 0
£2. 7. 9

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Will'm SKEY, Joseph BRODRIBB, L. LANSDOWN, Geo. MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, April 6th 1795.

At the Annual Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the several Persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **nominate** Mr Henry PICKERING for late Mr READ's Estate-, and James WEEKS for Mr PURNELL's Estates, to be Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Weekly Calendar	£. s. d.
Jacob LOVE	2. 9
Mary VATOR	1. 6
Robert FRAPWELL for himself and Lodgings	2. 3
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Mary VOWLES (Hallatrow)	2. 0
Betty EMORY	1. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Two Youngest Child'n, 2/- & the eldest 1/-	3. 0
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Widow [Martha] COLLIER's Child	1. 0
Mary SMITH	2. 0
Mary SMITH's Daughter [Ann]	1. 0
Ann STICKLAND	1. 6
Widow [Mary] D(R)URY's Child'n at Clutton	2. 6
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6
Ann HARRIS (at Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
Mary VOWLES (Litt'n)	1. 6
Martha EDWARDS	1. 0
Mary BATH	1. 0
Ann HOOK's Eldest Boy [Abraham]	1. 0
Tho's PARSONS' Child	1. 6
Catharine PRIDDY	1. 0
Geo. SAGE's Family	4. 6
Geo. HARMER's (sic) Family (Bristol)	3. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Sarah HARRIS	2. 0
Ann DANDO & Child	1. 6
Anth'y PURNELL & Wife	3. 6
Flower PERRY	0. 6
Sarah CHIVERS (look'g after Betty CHIVERS)	0. 9
Mary ASHMAN	1. 0
Martha STICKLAND	1. 6

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, G. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, L. LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD, Wm. SKEY.

High Littleton, 27th July 1795.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to Notice thereof given the prece(e)ding Day (Sunday), to take into consideration some Method for relieving the Distresses of the Poor, arising from the present high price of provisions,

It was unanimously **Resolved**, by us whose hands are hereunto subscribed, as follows,

1st. That the Overseer do immediat/e/ly pay to Mr Jas. BUSH the sum of Two pounds one shilling and ninepence and to Robert BRODRIBB the sum of one pound three shillings and threepence for a loss sustained on delivering to the Poor of this Parish Sixty five Pecks of Flour.

2nd. That in conformity to the request of the Privy Council and the Example of the Inhabitants of most of the Principal Towns and Parishes throughout this Kingdom & according to the recommendation of the Justices Assembled at the last Quarter Sessions of the Peace for this County, it is further **Resolved**, and the present Vestry engage themselves to use in their Families, no other Bread than that which is called the "one way Bread", to be made from the Flour of Wheat, from which the Broad Bran only is seperated (sic) and to recommend the Consumption of Bread made from such Flour only, throughout their Parish.

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3rd. Resolved that the several Paupers residing in this Parish receive (until further orders) a proportion of one fourth more than their present weekly pay.

4th. Resolved that the several Persons mentioned in the following List (poor and Distressed Inhabitants of and belonging to this Parish) do receive such Quantities of the above Flour as is placed immediat^e/ly opposite their respective Names, at the Rate of 3 Shill. Pr. Peck, until further orders, as an allowance for the Week from the Date hereof, viz't:

<u>Names</u>	<u>Quantity of Flour</u>	<u>Names</u>	<u>Quantity of Flour</u>
Resident in High Littleton			
Tho's PICKFORD	16lb	Wm. HARDING	24lb
James HARRIS	24lb	John FLOWER	24lb
Will'm TUCKER	36lb	James CARTER	28lb
James MAGGS	24lb	Jos'h [Joel] BRIMBLE	24lb
Sam'l BRIMBLE	24lb	Sam'l WHITEHEAD	21lb
Jos'h D(R)URY	21lb	Francis EVANS	21lb
James SMITH	18lb	Francis JAMES	21lb
Wm. JAMES	24lb	Robert TUCKER	21lb
Thomas PRIDDY	21lb	Nath'l YOUNG	18lb
Joyce YOUNG Widow	7lb	James SALMON	28lb
William VOWLES	7lb	Sam'l CHIVERS Jun'r	21lb
Benj'n TUCKER	21lb	Sam'l VATER	28lb
John EVANS	24lb	Joseph [Joel] SMITH	14lb
James RAPPS	18lb	Tho's CHIVERS	21lb
Tho's BRIMBLE	14lb	John RAPPS	24lb
Rich'd TUCKER	24lb	Dan'l COLLIER	24lb
Sam'l SNELLING	18lb	Job VOWLES - Outlet	18lb
Job VOWLES - Longfords way	7lb	George BRICE	18lb
George HIGGINS	14lb	James WHITEHEAD	14lb
George CLARK	14lb	Tho's D(R)URY	14lb
Sam'l LANSDOWN	18lb	Jos'h HART	14lb
William STICKLAND	7lb	William WYATT	21lb
James PAYNE	7lb	Charles TUCKER	7lb
Resident in Hallatrow			
Hannah DANDO	7lb	Isaac STICKLAND	14lb
John BROWNING	21lb	John FRY	14lb
John BATT	14lb	James SPARKS	14lb
James BRIMBLE	14lb	Tho's CARTER	21lb
John PRIDDY	21lb	Henry FRAPWELL	28lb
Carey SEYMOUR	7lb	James WYATT	7lb

5th. Resolved that a Sum not exceeding Twenty pounds be paid by the Overseer of the Poor to Mr LANSDOWN for effecting the above purpose and that he be requested to receive the same and superintend its appropriation.

6th. Resolved, That, as Dogs at all times, but particularly in this time of scarcity, are esteemed unnecessary and useless in Poor Families, no Person who persists in keeping any Dog, shall on any Account, participate in this Bounty. And further, the Overseer is particularly directed to with/h/old the weekly Relief ordered to any Pauper who shall keep or refuse to dispose of any Dog or Dogs he, she or they may now be possessed of.

7th. Resolved also, that 55lb weight of Bacon now in the Overseer's possession, the prime Cost of which is 6d. pr. lb, be immediately paid, and that the same be sold out to Mary VOWLES, Mary ASHMAN and Family, Josiah CHIVERS's Family, Henry FRAPWELL, John PRIDDY, William TUCKER, Samuel VATOR, Samuel BRIMBLE, Jane SAGE and Family, Mary VATOR, James CARTER, John RAPPS Jn'r, Richard TUCKER, Mary SMITH, John BROWNING and James MAGGS in equal proportions, or to such of them as may be desirous of having the same, at the Rate of 6d. p'r lb for the best pieces and 4d. p'r lb for the residue.

8th. Resolved that this Vestry do adjourn unto Monday the third Day of August next, and then to meet for the further proceeding herein, at 9 o'Clock in the Morning in the Parish Church of High Littleton.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Geo. MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, Henry Hodges MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Wm. SKEY, Churchwarden.

3rd August 1795.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton by adjournment from the last vestry, The same orders for Relief of the Poor were **directed** to be continued for another week.

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Adjourned unto Monday the 10th day of August.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Lawrence LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, Aug't 10th 1795.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton by adjournment from the last Vestry, The same orders respecting the Relief of the Poor were **directed** to be continued for another week.

Resolved also, that a Barrel of Rice purchased by the Vestry be sold to all the Poor Persons resident in this Parish, whose Names are mentioned in Lists delivered to Mr James BUSH and James WEEKS at 3d. per pound.

Adjourned unto Monday the 17th day of August.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Lawrence LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, August 17th 1795.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton by adjournment from the last Vestry, It was **ordered**, That the Overseer continues the sale of the Flour and Rice now in his Possession, on the same terms as before, for another week.

Ordered also, that the Overseer do pay the sum of 10.16. 6, the prime Cost for a Barrel of Rice.

Ordered that the Overseer and Mr BUSH be requested to make out the Acc'ts of the Sale of Flour etc. to be examined on Monday next.

Adjourned to Monday the 24th inst. at High Littleton Church at 9 o'Clock in the Morning [No minutes of such a meeting].

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Thomas MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Lawrence LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

Aug't 24th '95.

At a Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton by adjournment from the last Vestry, it was **ordered** that Mr LANSDOWN do receive of the Overseers twenty Pounds to discharge the Bal(l)ance due to Mr BUSH for a loss on the Sale of Flour, Bacon etc. and to pay for 5 Sacks of Wheat etc. as Pr. Account delivered.

It was also **Ordered** that the Overseer continues the Sale of the Rice now in his possession at the Terms of 3d. Pr. lb for this Week.

It was also **ordered** that Mr LANSDOWN be requested to procure four Sacks of Flour, to be disposed of According to a list of Names and Quantity, delivered to [blank] and [blank] at 3/- Pr. Peck.

Adjourned to Monday 31st Aug't at High Littleton Church at 9 O'Clock in the morning.

[Sgd] Geo. MOGG, Thomas MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD.

In consequence of the several Orders of Vestry contained in the six preced(e)ing Pages, the following Sums were paid and Subscribed for the extraordinary Relief of the Poor inhabitants in the Parish of High Littleton.

1795 July 27th	£. s. d.
Paid by the Overseer by Order of Vestry this Day	20. 0. 0
Voluntary Subscription from Mr GORE LANGTON Esq'r by R. LANGFORD	5. 5. 0
Do. Mrs PURNELL	1. 1. 0
Do. Rotcombe Co.	1. 1. 0
Do. Mear(i)n(g)s Co.	<u>1. 1. 0</u>
	£37. 7. 0

These Monies were paid by Mr LANSDOWN, in whose Hands same were placed, in discharge of Disburse'ts etc. as in the Accounts in the succeeding Pages stated.

Cr. Mr LANSDOWN in Account with the Parish & Subscribers for the Relief of the Poor Inhabitants in High Littleton.

	£. s. d.
By paid for Five Sacks of Wheat, Grinding, Dressing etc. - as pr. Bill.	16.13. 6
By paid to Mr James BUSH for a loss sustained on the Sale of 106lb of Bacon at 6d. & 5d. pr. lb, the Shop price being then 7½ pr. lb.	14. 7
By pd. to Mr BUSH for a loss on the Sale of 48 Pecks of Flour at 3/- pr. Peck, the Shop price then being 4/4 pr. Peck.	3. 4. 0
By pd. Mr BUSH for a loss on the Sale of 92¾ Pecks of Flour at 3/- pr. Peck, the Shop price being then 3/10.	3.17. 3½
By pd. Mr BUSH a loss on 106 Pecks sold at 3/-, the Shop price being then 4/1.	5.14.10
By pd. Mr BUSH for a Loss on Flour as pr. Order of Vestry 27th July 1795.	2. 1. 9
By pd. Mr BUSH a loss on 42 Pecks of Flour sold at 3/-, the price then being 4/-.	2. 2. 0
By pd. Mr BUSH a loss on 47¼ Pecks sold at 3/-, the price then being 3/11.	2. 3. 3

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By paid for Three Sacks of Potatoes at 8/- pr. Sack.	1. 4. 0
By paid for Four Loaves of Bread ordered by Vestry to Henry FRAPWELL in great distress.	2. 0
By Mr BUSH for his trouble in Sell'g, Deliv'g Flour etc. etc.	10. 0
By pd. Robert BRODRIBB for Two Sacks of Flour	8. 6. 0
By pd. Do. a loss sustained on the Sale of 34¾ Pecks of Flour as pr. Bill.	1.15. 5
By pd. Do. expences and Horsehire going to Bath to purchase Flour.	3. 0
By paid for One Sack of Wheat bought of Farmer WESTON, Grind'g, Dress'g etc.	3. 4. 4
By paid James WEEKS a loss on the Sale of 12 Pecks of Flour Sold at 3/- pr. Peck, Shop price being then 4/0.	12. 0
By paid for 105 Doz'n Bread.	5. 5. 0
By paid for a Barrel of Rice by Order of Vestry.	10.16. 6
By paid for Carriage of Do. from Bristol.	5. 3
By paid James WEEKS his trouble & attendance in deliver'g Rice, Flour etc.	10. 0
By paid for 48lb of Bacon bought at Bath.	1. 4. 0
By pd. loss on Sale of 48lb Bacon bought at Bristol by L. LANSDOWN.	3. 7
Total of expenditures	£70.12. 3½

Dr. Pr. Contra	£. s. d.
By Cash rec'd Mr James BUSH for the Sale of 47 Pecks & 4lb of Flour, part of the produce of Five Sacks of Wheat at 3/- pr. Peck, allow'g him 4lb for weighing out	7. 1. 0
By Cash rec'd for 32lb of Bran at 1/2 pr. lb.	1. 4
By Cash rec'd of Mr BUSH on the Sale of 17½ Pecks of Flour (one of the Two Sacks purchased of Rob't BRODRIBB), it being Dressed again, occasioned a loss of 2½ Pecks at 3/-.	2.12. 6
By Cash rec'd for Potatoes Sold	4. 0½
By Cash rec'd of Jas. WEEKS for 17 Pecks & 3lb of Flour, the produce of the Sack of Wheat purchased of Farmer WESTON.	2.11. 0
By Cash rec'd for 44lbs of Bran from sd. Wheat.	2. 2
By Cash rec'd of Jas. WEEKS for 39 Pecks of Flour, residue of the Five Sacks of Wheat purchased by the Parish at 3/-.	5.17. 0
By Cash rec'd by James WEEKS for 16¾ Pecks of Flour (purchased of Rob't BRODRIBB), there being a loss of ¾ Pecks on a second Dress'g	2.10. 3
By Cash rec'd for the Bran	1.10½
By Cash rec'd of Jas. WEEKS on Sale of 105 Doz'n of Bread bought at 1/- & sold at 9d.	3.18. 9
By Cash rec'd by Sale of 48lbs of Bacon - 33 lb at 6d. & 15lb at 3d. pr. lb.	1. 0. 3
By Cash rec'd for 355lb of Rice at 3/- pr. lb.	4. 8. 9
By Cash rec'd for the residue of such Rice	2.18. 2¾
By Amo't of Cash rec'd from the Overseer & by Subscriptions as on the prece(e)d'g and first Account stated.	37. 7. 0

Total Amount of Receipts 70.14. 1¾

Total Amo't of Expenditures 70.12. 3½

Carried forward to James WEEKS's Acco't as Overseer as stated in the next over. £0. 1.10¼

28th March 1796. At an Annual Vestry holden this Day the prece(e)ding Accounts were Examined and approved of by us, whose Hands are hereunto Subscribed and the Bal(l)ance of 1.10¼d. was paid over to the Overseer.

[Not signed here but see signatories to Minutes of same date.]

High Littleton, 28th March 1796.

At the Annual Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, The several Persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **Nominate** John SAGE and William VOKES, Tenants to Mr LANGFORD for his Home Estate, for such Home Estate, and Henry PICKERING for Mr MOGG's Estate called Broomhill, to be Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Weekly Calendar to be paid during the present high price of Provisions.

	s. d.
Abigail LOVE	1. 3
Mary SMITH	2. 6
Mary VOWLES (Hall.)	2. 6
Sam'l BULL's Widow [Joyce]	2. 6
Joseph CHIVERS's Child (with Jos. SAGE, Temple)	2. 0

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Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1.10
Sarah TUCKER	1.10
Ann STICKLER	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1.10
Martha STICKLER	1.10
Mary VOWLES (Litt'n)	1.10
Mary VATOR	1.10
Martha EDWARDS	1. 3
Ant'y PURNELL & Wife	4. 0
William BULL's Wido' [Martha] (at Paulton)	5. 0
Flower PERRY	0. 6
Widow [Grace] HARMAN, at Bristol	4. 0
Tho's CHIVERS's Wido' [Betty] & Family	3. 0
Mary SMITH's Grand[d]aughter	1. 3
Phoebe GREGORY for a Child by BRITTON	1. 3
Widow [Martha] COLLIER's Child	1. 3
Ann HOOK	1. 3
Mary BATH	1. 3
Mary GREGORY for a Child by QUARMAN	1. 3
Mary HARRIS (Wm. HARRIS' Dau'r)	1. 3
Sarah HARRIS (Do.)	1. 6
Mary ASHMAN	1. 3
Widow [Mary] D(R)URY's Children at Clutton	3. 0
Tho's PARSONS's Child by [blank]	2. 0
Betty GAGE - Stanton Prior	2. 0
Robert FRAPWELL	2. 9
Jane SAGE and Family	4. 6
Catharine PRIDDY	1. 8
Sarah CHIVERS for looking after Betty CHIVERS	1. 0
John CHIVERS's Boy with Sam'l CHIVERS	1. 6
Ann HARRIS (Shepton Mall.)	2. 6
William CHIVERS's Widow [Sarah] & Family	5. 0
[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Geo. MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Wm. SKEY, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD.	

High Littleton, 27th April 1796.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to due Notice for that purpose given,

It was unanimously **Resolved** by us, whose Hands are hereunto Subscribed, That the Close of ground called Southslade, being a part of the property belonging to the Parish, be Sold to William GORE LANGTON Esq'r at the price of Seventy pounds and that such sum be applied for the purpose of erecting a Poor House for the use of the Poor of the said Parish, in such way and manner as shall or may hereafter be thought best and most advis(e)able and under the directions of or Order of Vestry to be convened for that purpose.

Resolved also that Mr LANGFORD, Attorney at Law, be authorized to Sell by private contract, as soon as possible, the House and Garden, now in the occupation of John FRY and others, for the most monies that can be gotten for the same, and that such Monies be also applied, when received, in aid of the above mentioned Monies and for the purpose of erecting such Poor House.

[Sgd] Lawrence LANSDOWN, [blank], Churchwardens, [blank], Overseers, Geo. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD, Tho's PILL.

High Littleton Church, 15th October 1796.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton aforesaid,

Mr LANGFORD having reported that he had sold the House and Garden, now in the Occupation of John FRY and others, to James WEEKS the Younger of Hallatrow aforesaid, Mason, at and for the price of One Hundred and Twenty pounds; **Resolved** that the proper and necessary Conveyance be immediately prepared of such premises and that the Monies be placed out at Interest, or otherwise Disposed of for the Use of the Parish, in such way as the Churchwardens and Overseers for the time being shall direct.

The Conveyance of the piece of ground called Southslade unto William GORE LANGTON Esq'r, being produced at this Vestry, **Resolved** that such Deed be executed by all necessary Parties and that the Purchase

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Monies be immediately invested in some of the Public Funds, in the Name of George MOGG Esquire, for the Use of the Parish and to be disposed of in such way, from time to time, as the Churchwardens and Overseers of the said Parish and the Inhabitants at any Vestry to be hereafter called shall direct.

[Sgd] Lawrence LANSDOWN, [blank], Church Wardens, [blank], Overseers, Jacob MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Geo. MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD.

High Littleton, April 17th 1797.

At the Annual Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the Persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, did **Nominate** Mr SKEY for Holly Bush, and William DRURY for BROOKES's Estates, to be Overseers for the Year ensuing and also **fix** on the following weekly pay to the several Paupers, viz't:

	s. d.
Abigail LOVE	1. 3
Mary SMITH's Daughters	2. 0
Mary VOWLES, Hallatrow	2. 6
Ann STICKLER	1. 6
Betty CHIVERS	1.10
Looking after Do.	1. 0
Mary VOWLES - Litt'n	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 3
Tho's PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Jane SAGE	4. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Sam'l BULL's Widow [Joyce] - Mid'r Norton	2. 6
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Robert PURNELL	1. 6
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Betty EMORY	1.10
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Mary VATOR	1.10
Martha EDWARDS	1. 0
Ant'y PURNELL & Wife	4. 0
Will'm BULL's Wido' [Martha] at Paulton	4. 6
Widow [Grace] HARMAN & Family at Bristol	3. 6
Tho's CHIVERS's Family	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	1. 3
Robert FRAPWELL	2. 9
Catharine PRIDDY	1. 6
Will'm CHIVERS's Wido' [Sarah] and Family	4. 6
Phoebe GREGORY	1. 3
Mary GREGORY	1. 3
Sarah HARRIS	1. 3
Widow [Mary] D(R)URY's Child'n at Clutton	2. 6
Betty GAGE	3. 0
Ann HARRIS (Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
Ann HOOK for her Bastard Child by Jas. STICKLER	1. 6
Do. for Do. by CHALLENGER	0. 9
Hannah DANDO for looking after Tho's BLACKER Child by Ruth SEYMOUR	2. 6

[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Wm. SKEY, L. LANSDOWN, Rd. LANGFORD, Joseph BRODRIBB, Geo. MOGG.

High Littleton, Apr'l 9th 1798.

At the Annual meeting holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the Persons whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, did **Nominate** and appoint Cornelius HARRIS of High Littleton and Joseph BRODRIBB for Hallatrow, To be Overseers & did also **fix** on the following Weekly pay to the several Paupers, Viz:

	s. d.
Abiga/i/l LOVE	1. 3
Maria SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLER	1. 6

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Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 3
Tho's PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Jane SAG/E/S's Famil(e)y	4. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Sam'l BULL's 3 Child.	6. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Rob't PURNELL	1. 6
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Betty EMERY	1.10
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Mary VEATOR	1.10
Martha EDWARDS	1. 0
An'y PURNELL & Wife	4. 0
Wm. BULL's Chil'n	4. 0
Widow [<i>Grace</i>] HARMER [<i>HARMAN</i>]	3. 0
Tho's CHIVERS's 2 Ch'n	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	1. 3
Rob't FRAPPEL [<i>FRAPWELL</i>]	2. 9
Catharine PRIDD(E)Y	1. 6
Wm. CHIVERS's 3 Children	4. 6
Phe. GREGORY(S)'s Child	1. 3
Widow[<i>Mary</i>] D(R)URY(S)'s Chil'n	2. 0
Betty GAGE	4. 0
Ann HARRIS	1. 6
Ann HOOK for J[<i>as.</i>] STICKLER's Child	1. 6
Hannah DANDO for Tho's BLACKER's Child	2. 6
Mary GAGE for Evan EVANS's Ch'd	1. 3
Sarah HARRIS	1. 3
[<i>Signed under Accounts</i>] Geo. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Tho's A. HILL, L. LANSDOWN, Church Warden.	

March 25th 1799.

At the Annual meeting holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the Persons whose Names are hereunto Subscrib'd, do **Nominate** and Ap[p]oint Mr Wm. SKEY of Hallatrow & Wm. D/R/URY of High Littleton to be Overseers & **fix'd** on the following Weekly pay to the several Paupers:

	£. s. d.
Abiga[i]l LOVE	1. 3
Maria SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLER [<i>STICKLAND</i>]	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 12 Wks. at 1/6, 43 at 1/9</i>]
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 6
T[<i>ho's</i>] PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Jane SAGE's Family	4. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
S. BULL's 3 Chil'n	5. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Rob't PURNELL	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 34 Wks. at 1/6, 21 at 2/-</i>]
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Betty EMERY	1.10
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Martha EDWARDS	1. 6
Betty PURNELL	2. 3
Wm. BULL's Children	3. 6
Widow [<i>Grace</i>] HARMER [<i>HARMAN</i>]	2. 6
T[<i>ho's</i>] CHIVERS's 2 Chil'n	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	1. 3
Rob't FRAPPEL [<i>FRAPWELL</i>]	2. 9
C[<i>atharine</i>] PRIDD(E)Y	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 34 Wks. at 1/6, 21 at 2/-</i>]
Wm. CHIVERS's 3 Chil'n	4. 6

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Phe. GREGORY's Child	1. 3 [Pd. 26 Wks. at 1/3, 29 at 1/6]
Widow [Mary] DURY(S)'s Children	2. 0
Betty GAGE	4. 0
Ann HARRIS	1. 6
Ann HOOK for Jas. STI[CKLE]R Child	1. 6
Hannah DANDO for T[ho's] BLACKER's C'd	2. 6 [Pd. 24 Wks. only]
Mary GAGE for Evan EVANS' C'd	1. 3
Sarah HARRIS	[blank]
Mary GREGORY	1. 6 [Pd. 26 Wks. at 1/6, 29 at 2/-]
Mary NAISH	1. 4
Sam'l BRIMBLE's Child	2. 0
Reb. RUDDICK	1. 6
[Sgd] Geo. MOGG, Joseph BRODRIBB, Wm. BATH.	

At a Vestry held in the Parish Church of High Littleton on Wednesday the 5th day of March 1800, pursuant to public Notice given in the Church on Sunday last, to take into consideration the distressed state of the Poor persons of the said Parish in consequence of the High price of Provisions,

It was **Resolved** to raise the Sum of £53.11. 3 by a Rate, being a Sixty Farthing Rate, made according to the present Rate, for the Relief of the Poor, on the Lands in the Parish; And that the Church Wardens and Overseers be directed to make out and collect the Amount of the said Rate and pay it to a Committee to be appointed to expend the same in buying Provisions to be distributed to such Persons as they shall think proper objects.

It was also **Resolved** that a Subscription be sol(l)icited from the several residents in this Parish, whose property is not implicated in the above Resolution, and whose benevolent intentions await only the knowledge of this measure, for exertion.

[Sgd] Geo. MOGG, Wm. SKEY, Tho's BRODRIBB, Rd. LANGFORD, Wm. BATH, Tho's A. HILL.

1800 April 14th.

At the annual Meeting holden this Day at the Parish Church of High Littleton, the Persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, do **nominate** and appoint Corn's HARRIS for Rugborn Estate & Jno. BLINMAN for Mr [GORE] LANGTON's Estate, to be Overseers; And **fixt** on the following weekly Pay to the several Paupers:

	£. s. d.
Rob't FRAPPELL [FRAPWELL]	2. 9
Mary ASHMAN	1. 3
Abigail LUFF [LOVE]	1. 6
Maria SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICK[L]ER	1. 9
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 6
T[ho's] PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Jane SAGE's Family	4. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
S[am'l] BULL's 3 Children	5. 0
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Rob't PURNELL	2. 0
Sarah TUCKER	1. 6
Betty EMERY	2. 0 [deleted] Died
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Martha EDWARDS	1. 6
Betty PURNELL	2. 3
Wm. BULL's Child'n	4. 0
Widow [Grace] HARMER [HARMAN]	2. 6
T[ho's] CHIVERS's 2 Child'n	2. 0
C[atharine] PRIDD(E)Y	1. 6
Wm. CHIVERS's 3 Child'n	4. 6
Phoebe GREGORY's Child	1. 3
Wid'w [Mary] DURY's Children	2. 0
Betty GAGE	3. 0
Anne HARRIS	1. 6
Ann HOOK for James STICKLER's Child	1. 6

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Hannah DANDO for J. BLACKER <i>[deleted]</i>	<i>[blank]</i>
Mary GAGE for Evan EVANS'	1. 3
Sarah HARRIS	<i>[blank]</i>
Mary GREGORY	2. 0
Mary NAISH	1. 4
Sam'l BRIMBLE's Child	2. 0
Reb'h RUDDOCK	1. 6
<i>[Sgd]</i> Geo. MOGG, Wm. BATH, L. LANSDOWN, Tho's MILES for Mr BURDETT.	

High Littleton, April 6th 1801.

At the Annual Meeting Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **nominate** Mr Thomas BRODRIBB for Red House Estate, and Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN for RUDDOCK's Estate, to be the Overseers for the ensuing Year, and did also **fix** on the following weekly pay to the several Paupers following, Viz't:

	Weekly pay
	s. d.
Mary ASHMAN	2. 0
Martha BULL, Wido'	6. 6
Mary BATH	2. 0
Abigail LOVE	2. 0
Hannah DANDO	2. 0
Jane SAGE	5. 0
Mary JAMES	2. 0
Betty PURNELL	2. 6
Mary VOWLES	2. 0
Catharine PRIDDY	2. 0
Rob't PURNELL	2. 6
Widow <i>[Hannah]</i> SNELLING	5. 0
Ann HOOK's Child'n	3. 0
Betty VATOR's 2 Child'n	4. 0
James SPARKS & Family	7. 0
Betty GAGE's 2 Child'n	4. 0
Maria SMITH	1. 6
Ann STICKLER	2. 0
T <i>[ho's]</i> PARSONS's Child	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 3
Sa'l BULL's Three Child'n	5. 0
Martha STICKLER	2. 0
Martha EDWARDS	2. 0
Widow <i>[Grace]</i> HARMER <i>[HARMAN]</i>	2. 6
Tho's CHIVERS's Two Child'n	2. 0
Will'm CHIVERS's Child'n	<i>[blank]</i>
Phebe GREGORY's Child	2. 0
Ann HARRIS	2. 0
Mary GAGE's Child	1. 6
Mary GREGORY	2. 0
Mary NAISH	1. 4
Sam'l BRIMBLE's Child	2. 0
Rebecca RUDDOCK's Child	1. 6
Widow <i>[Elizabeth]</i> PAIN's Child	2. 0
<i>[Sgd]</i> Rd. LANGFORD, Wm. SKEY, L. LANSDOWN, Geo. MOGG.	

High Littleton, Nov'r 24th 1801.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High-Littleton, pursuant to Notice given in such Church, held for the purpose of making a new Rate for the support and maintenance of the Poor of this Parish and also for placing out the Children, of such as receive Relief of the said Parish, Apprentices to the different Estates, and to such persons whose situations and business make them liable to take Apprentices.

Resolved that a Surveyor be immediately employed to measure such part of the Parish as has not already been measured and that, after the exact contents of the whole Parish are ascertained, that a Rate be made of One

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Penny per Acre on such admeasurement. And it is also **Resolved** that all expences attending such admeasurement and the making and completing such new Rate be paid by the Overseer out of the Rates.

Resolved also that, as soon as the new Rate is completed, that the several Children of such as receive Relief of the Parish, be placed out as Apprentices to the respective Estates, and that every Estate, which shall pay Five shillings for a single Rate to the Poor, shall be liable to take one Apprentice, and that where the Estates pay less than that sum for a single Rate, that so many as will make up such payment shall be classed together and the Estate paying the largest proportion shall be obliged to take the Apprentice and the other persons forming the class shall pay their respective proportions of the Sum of Ten pounds, which Sum it is agreed shall be the Sum at which such Apprentices shall be taken.

Resolved also that the mode of ascertaining what Children shall be placed to the different Estates, shall be as described in the Order of Vestry made in the Poor Book Dated 15th Dec'r 1789.

Resolved that the Amount of Stock in the Three per Cent Consol'd Bank Annu'es, now standing in the Name of the present Churchwardens and Jacob MOGG Esq're, be immediately sold and the produce applied in the Purchase of Houses for the use of the Parish.

[Sgd] Geo. MOGG, Jno. PURNELL, Rd. LANGFORD, Tho's Ames HILL, Wm. DRURY, George TUCKER, L. LANSDOWN, Jesse SAGE, John SAGE, Walter BENNET, John COOK, John BLINMAN, Wm. SKEY, Mary FLOWER, William Jones BURDETT, Jacob MOGG.

1802 May 19.

At the Annuel (*sic*) Meeting holden this Day at the Par(r)ish Church of High littleton, the Persons whose Names Ar[e] he(a)runto subscribed, do **Nominate** and Ap[p]oint Jesse SAGE for Church Estate & James VOKES for KINGSTON's, to be Overseers, And **Fixed** on the following week(e)ly Pay to the several Paupers, Viz:

	s. d.
Jane SAGE's family	2. 6
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Bet[t]y PURNELL	2. 0
Mary VOWL[E]S	1. 6
Hannah SNELLING's family	3. 6
Betty GAGE	2. 6
Maria SMITH	[deleted]
Ann STICKLER	1. 6
Tho's CHIVERS' Wid(d)ow [Betty]	[deleted]
Mary GAGE	1. 3
Jno. PAYN's Child [Wid'w deleted]	1. 3
Flower PERRY	0. 9
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6
Mary WHITING	1. 6
Jas. MAGGS	[deleted]
Wid(d)ow [Hannah] WOOD's Child	1. 3
Catt'n PRIDDY	1. 6
Phea'y GREGORY's Child	1. 3
Mary GREGORY's do.	1. 3
Sam'l BRIMBLE's Child	1. 3
Mary AISHMAN	1. 6
Jas. SPARKS & family	4. 6
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 0
Abig'l LOVE	1. 6
Jno. PRIDDY	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 6
Dina BATH	3. 0
Ann VATER	[blank]
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Betty HARRIS	1. 0
Martha BULL's family	3. 0
Ann HOOK's Child'n	2. 6
Han[n]ah DANDO	1. 6
Tho's PARSONS' Child	[deleted]
Rebe'a RUDDICK	[deleted] [married John BRIMBLE 13 Mar 1803]

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Sam'l BULL's 2 Children	3. 0
Martha EDWARDS	1. 6
Mary NAISH	1. 4
Jno. DURNAL [<i>DURNELL</i>]'s Child	1. 3
Faney [<i>Fanny</i>] COMER	2. 6
Jno. PALMER	[<i>blank</i>]
Han[<i>n</i>]ah YOUNG's 2 Child'n	2. 6
Jno. RAPPS	2. 0
Wid(d)ow [<i>Grace</i>] HARMER [<i>HARMAN</i>]	2. 0
Jas. D(R)URY & Wife	2. 0
	<u>£3.10.10</u>

[*Signed under Overseers' Accounts*] Geo. MOGG, Jesse SAGE, George TUCKER, Wm. DRURY, Corn's HARRIS.

High Littleton, April 11th 1803.

At the Annual Meeting Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to Notice in the Church, the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **nominate** Hezekiah BUSH for John COOK's Estate (part of late Joseph BRODRIBB's) and William BROOKES for Mr MOGG's Estate called Kingwell Farm, to be the Overseers for the following Year, and did also **direct** the following weekly pay to be given to the several Paupers after mentioned, Viz't:

Weekly Calendar

	s. d.
Mary JAMES	1. 6
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 6
Ann STICKLER	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 39 Wks. - Dead (Jan 1804)</i>]
Flower PERRY	1. 6
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6
Mary WHITING	1. 6
Cath. PRIDDY	1. 6
Mary A(I)SHMAN	1. 6
Abigail LOVE	1. 6
John PRIDDY & Wife	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Betty HARRIS	1. 0
Anne HARRIS (Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
Hannah DANDO	1. 6
Martha EDWARDS	1. 6
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 0
Anne D(R)URY	1. 6
John RAPPS	2. 0
Tho's PICKFORD	2. 0
Jane SAGE & Family	2. 6
Hannah SNELLING & do.	3. 6
Mary GAGE's Child	1. 3
John PAIN's Child	1. 3 [<i>Pd. 39 Wks. at 1/3, 12 at 1/6</i>]
[<i>Hannah</i>] WOOD's Child	1. 3
Phebe GREGORY's Child	1. 6
Mary GREGORY's Child	1. 6
Sam'l BRIMBLE's Child	1. 3
J[<i>ames</i>] SPARK(E)S' Family	3. 9 [<i>Charlotte's family pd. 39 Wks. at 3/9, 12 at 5/-</i>]
Dinah BATH's Child'n	3. 0
Martha BULL's Family	[<i>blank</i>]
Ann HOOK's 2 Child'n	2. 6
Sam'l BULL's 2 Child'n	[<i>blank</i>]
Mary NAISH's Child	1. 4
John DURNELL's Child	1. 6
F[<i>anny</i>] COMER's 2 Child'n	2. 6

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H[annah] YOUNG's 2 Child'n 2. 6
Widow [Grace] HARMAN's Family [blank]
[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Geo. MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, L. LANSDOWN, Walter BENNET, Wm. DRURY, George TUCKER.

High Littleton, April 2nd 1804.

At the Annual Meeting Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed, did **Nominate** George TUCKER, for Mr MOGG's Estate called ROSEWELL's and William GOOLD, for late Stephen JORDAN's, to be the Overseers for the following Year, and did also **direct** the following Weekly pay for the several persons after mentioned, Viz't:

Weekly Calendar

	s. d.
Mary JAMES	1. 9
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 9
Flower PERRY	1. 6
Betty CHIVERS	1. 6 [Pd. 12 Wks. at 1/6, 42 at 2/-]
Mary WHITING	1. 6
Cath. PRIDDY	1. 9
Mary A(I)SHMAN	1. 6
Abigail LOVE	1. 6
Hannah PRIDDY	1. 6
Mary BATH	1. 9
Hannah DANDO	1. 6
Martha EDWARDS	1. 6 [Pd. 34 Wks. at 1/6, 20 at 1/9]
Anne D(R)URY	1. 9
John RAPPS	1. 9
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 3
Anne HARRIS (Shepton Mallett)	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 6
Betty HARRIS	1. 0
Tho's PARSONS's Child	1. 0
Jno. BRIMBLE's Child	1. 6
Jane SAGE & Family	2. 0
Hannah SNELLING & do.	3. 6
Mary GAGE's Child	1. 3
John PAIN's do.	1. 3
[Hannah] WOOD's do.	1. 6
Phebe GREGORY's do.	1. 6
Mary GREGORY's do.	1. 6
Sam'l BRIMBLE's do.	1. 3
Charlotte SPARK(E)S & Family	5. 0
Dinah BATH's Child'n	3. 0
Martha BULL's Family	3. 0
A[nn] HOOK's Child'n	2. 6
Sam'l BULL's 2 Child'n	3. 0
Mary NAISH's Child	1. 4
John DURNELL's do.	1. 6
Fanny COMER's Child'n	2. 6
Hannah YOUNG's do.	2. 6
Hannah BROWNING & Child	1. 6
Widow [Dinah] GREEN & Family	5. 0
A[nn] VATOR (R[ichard] GREENLAND's Child)	1. 0
Hannah PRIDDY's Child	1. 6
Widow [Sarah] SMITH	[deleted]

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[Signed under Overseers' Accounts] Rd. LANGFORD.

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High littleton, June 10 1805.

At the Annual Meeting Vest(e)ry holden this day in the Parish Church of High littleton, the several persons whose names are hearunto (*sic*) subscribed, did **Nomynate** Grace TUCKER, for Mr John PARSONS' Estate in the Parish of High Littleton and George MATHEWS for Brick House Estate in Hallatrow, to be Overseers for the Year ensuing, and did also **direct** the weekly pay for the several Persons here mentioned.

Weekly Calendar

	s. d.
Jane SAGE	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 45 Wks. at 1/-, 6 at 2/-</i>]
Mary JAMES	1. 9
Martha STICKLER	1. 6
Mary VOWLES	1. 9
Flower PERRY	1. 9
Mary WHITING	1. 9
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 3
John RAPPS	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 30 Wks. at 1/-, 21 at 1/9</i>]
Ann D(R)URY	1. 9
Hannah SNELLING's Children	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 2/6, 8 at 3/6</i>]
Hannah PRID/D/Y's Child	1. 6
Fanny COMER's do.	2. 6
Samuel BRIMBLE's do.	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 1/-, 8 at 1/3</i>]
Mary ASHMAN	1. 9
Hannah PRID/D/Y	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 1/-, 8 at 1/6</i>]
Betty HARRIS	0. 6 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 6d., 8 at 1/-</i>]
Ann VATER	0. 6
John PAYN's Child	1. 6
Diana BATH's Children	3. 0 [<i>Pd. 41 Wks. at 3/-, 10 at 4/6</i>]
Mary BATH	1. 9
Widow [<i>Dinah</i>] GREEN's Family	5. 0
Mary GAGE's Child	1. 0
Charlotte SPARKS' Family	4. 0 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 4/-, 8 at 5/-</i>]
Martha BULL's Children	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 2/-, 8 at 3/-</i>]
Ann HOOK	2. 6
Cath[e]rine PRID/D/Y	1. 9
Mary [<i>deleted</i>] GREGORY's Children	2. 8 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 2/8, 8 at 3/-, for Phebe & Mary GREGORY's Children</i>]
Hannah DANDO(E)	1. 6
Samuel BULL's Child	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 1/6, 8 at 3/-</i>]
Martha EDWARDS	1. 9
Mary NASH	1. 4
John DURNELL's Child	1. 6
Hannah YOUNG's Children	3. 0
Abiga[i]l LOVE	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 20 Wks. at 1/6, 31 at 1/9</i>]
Hannah CLARE	2. 0
John BRIMBLE's Children	2. 6
Hannah BROWNING's Child	0. 9 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 9d. 8 at 1/6</i>]
Widow [<i>Hannah</i>] WOOD's do.	1. 9
Betty CHIVERS	1. 9
James FRAPWELL	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 1/-, 8 at 2/-</i>]
Sarah SMITH	1. 3 [<i>Pd. 43 Wks. at 1/3, 8 at 1/-</i>]
Widow [<i>Grace</i>] HERMON [<i>HARMAN</i>]	1. 0
Sarah HARRIS	1. 6
[<i>Signed under Overseers' Accounts</i>] G. MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Jos'h LANSDOWN, Jesse SAGE, Wm. WEEKS.	

High Littleton, April [*blank*] 1806.

At the Annual Meeting Vest(e)ry this day holden in the parish Church of High littleton, the several persons whose names are he(a)reunto subscribed, did **nomynate** and ap[p]oint Mr Richard LANGFORD for the Estate

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in his occupation, and James BUSH for late Mrs FLOWER's Estate, to be the Overseers for the ensuing year, and did also **fix** on the following weekl(e)y pay to the several Paupers following, Viz.

	Weekly pay
Jane SAGE	1. 0*
Mary JAMES	1. 9*
Martha STICKLER	1. 6*
Mary VOWL[E/S]	1. 9* [Pd. 21 Wks. - Dead (Aug 1806)]
Flower PERRY	1. 9*
Mary WHITING	1. 9*
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 3*
Jno. RAP[P/S]	1. 9*
Ann D(R)URY	1. 9*
Han[n]ah SNELLING's two Children	2. 6
Han[n]ah PRIDDY	{ 3. 0*
Hannah PRIDDY's Child	{
Faney [Fanny] COMER's 2 Children	2. 6*
Mary A(I)SHMAN	1. 9*
Mary HARRIS	1. 0*
Betty HARRIS	0. 6* [+1/6 for Child for 17 weeks]
Ann VATER [for a Base Child by R'd GREENLAND]	1. 0*
Jno. PAYN's Child	1. 6*
Dina BATH's 3 Children	4. 6*
Mary BATH	1. 9*
Jas. FRAPWELL	1. 0* [for 32 weeks + 19 weeks at 1/6]
Cat'e PRIDDY	1. 9*
W'w [Dinah] GREEN's (Children 4)	5. 0*
Mary GAGE's Child	1. 0*
Cha't SPARKS' Children	4. 0*
Martha BULL's Child	2. 0* [for 26 weeks +25 weeks at 1/-]
Ann HOOK's 2 Children	2. 6*
Han[n]ah DANDO	1. 6*
Sam'l BULL's Child [Boy]	1. 6*
Martha EDWARDS	1. 9*
Mary NAISH's Child	-
Jno. DURNAL [DURNELL]'s do.	1. 6*
Han[n]ah YOUNG's 2 Children	3. 0*
Abiga[i]l LOVE	1. 9*
Han[n]ah CLARE [& Child]	2. 0*
Jno. BRIMBLE's 2 Children	1. 6* [1/6 1 Child + 2/- more for 2 Child'n 48 Wks.]
Han'h BROWN[ING]'s Child	0. 9*
Wid(d)ow [Hannah] WOOD's Child	1. 9*
Betty [Eliz.] CHIVERS	2. 0*
Sarah SMITH	1. 3*
Cary SE[Y]MO[U]R	2. 0*
Betty GAGE's Child	1. 0*
Mary WHITING, Paulton	1. 0*
Grace H(E)ARMAN	1. 0*
Sarah HARRIS	[Nil, but Ann HARRIS pd. 1/6 for 51 Wks.]
[Not signed. With 1 exception no amounts were shown against the names. The amounts starred * above and additional information were taken from payments in the Overseers' Accounts.]	

High Littleton Church, April 6th 1807.

At the Annual Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to the following Notice given in the Church and affixed to the Church Door the preceding day, Viz't:

"This is to give Notice that a Vestry will be holden in this Church to morrow morning at Eleven o'Clock for the purpose of Binding such Children Apprentices whose Parents the Churchwardens and Overseers shall judge not able to maintain them; and also to examine the Accounts of the Churchwardens and Overseers; to appoint new Officers and settle various other business, when and where all persons interested are requested to attend."

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It was **resolved** by the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed that the Plan, proposed at a Vestry holden in this place on the 15th Day of December 1789, and particularly set forth in this Book, as to the mode of apprenticing the Poor Children, be pursued as soon as possible, and the Overseer is directed to prepare a List of the several Children to be placed out, with their Names, Ages, and other particulars, before Monday next the 13th instant, to which Day this Vestry is adjourned to this place at 11 o'Clock.

We do also **nominate** Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN Overseer of this Parish for the Year ensuing.

The examination of the Overseers' Accounts was deferred unto the next Vestry.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, L. LANSDOWN, John BLINMAN, Walter BENNET, Joel KEEL.

[Another set of minutes of this meeting was recorded in another book. The two sets are almost identical up to the point of the nomination of the Overseer but then vary, as do the names of those attending and signing.]

High Littleton Church, April 6th 1807.

At the Annual Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to the following Notice given in the Church, and affixed to the Church Door the preceding Day, Viz't:

"This is to give Notice that a Vestry will be holden in this Church to morrow morning at Eleven o'Clock for the purpose of Binding such Children Apprentices whose Parents the Churchwardens and Overseers shall judge not able to maintain them. And also to examine the Accounts of the Churchwardens and Overseer, to appoint new Officers and settle various other business, when and where all persons interested are requested to attend."

It was **resolved** by the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed that the Plan proposed at a Vestry holden in this place on the 15th Day of December 1789, and particularly set forth in the Poor Book, as to the mode of apprenticing the Poor Children, be pursued as soon as possible, and the Overseer is directed to prepare a List of the several Children now to be placed out, with their Names, Ages, and other particulars, before Monday next the 13th Instant, to which Day this Vestry is adjourned to this place at 11 o'Clock.

We do also **nominate** Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN to be the Overseer of this Parish for the Year ensuing, we having unanimously **Agreed** at this Vestry that in future one Overseer only shall be appointed, who shall serve the whole Year, who shall be selected alternately from Littleton and Hallatrow, in conformity with the Old List.

[Sgd] Rd. LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Wm. WEEKS, George TUCKER, The Mark X of Wm. JAMES, Wm. BROOKS.

[For whatever reason, the agreement to appoint one Overseer only each year was not kept. Wm. WEEKS for John COOK's Estate was appointed a second Overseer for 1807/8 and the Vestry continued to appoint two thereafter.]

High Littleton Church, 13th April 1807.

At a Vestry holden this Day, in pursuance of an adjournment from the Vestry holden here on Monday last, the Overseer produced the following List of the several Children, whom the Churchwarden and Overseers now think it proper to place out as Apprentices, Viz't.

1 Samuel SNELLING	Son of the late Sam'l & Hannah SNELLING	Aged ab't 12 Yrs.
2 Harriet COMER	Daughter of Tho's & Fanny COMER	Aged ab't 9
3 Sarah Greenland WILKINS	a natural Child of Ann WILKINS (now VATER)	Ag'd ab't 14
4 George BATH	a natural Child of Dinah BATH, Single wom'n	Ag'd ab't -
5 Keziah GREEN	Daughter of the late Isaac & Dinah GREEN, Wid'w	Aged ab't -
6 George SPARKS	Son of the late Jas. & Charlotte SPARKS, Wid'w	Aged ab't -
7 Jacob SPARKS	Do.	Aged ab't 10
8 Ann BULL	Daughter of the late Will'm & Martha BULL	Aged ab't -
9 David HOOK	a natural Child of Ann HOOK, Single wom'n	Aged ab't -
10 John GREGORY	Do. Phebe GREGORY, Do.	Aged ab't 12
11 Samuel BULL	Son of Sam'l & [blank] BULL	Aged ab't -
12 Joyce YOUNG	Daughter of the late Jas. & Hannah YOUNG, W'w	Aged ab't 10
13 Keziah RUDDOCK	nat'l Child of Rebecca RUDDOCK (now BRIMBLE)	Aged ab't 9
14 Betty GAGE	Daughter of William & Betty GAGE	Aged abo't 14
15 Fanny BROWNING	Daughter of late Jno. & Hannah BROWNING, W'w	Aged ab't -
16 Mary BRICE	Daughter of George & Ann BRICE	Aged ab't 15
17 Betty BRICE	Do.	Aged ab't 13
18 William BRICE	Son of Do.	Aged ab't 9
19 Eliz'th SNELLING	Dau'r of said Sam'l & Hannah SNELLING, Wid'w	Aged ab't 10
20 Isaac GREEN	Son of said Isaac & Dinah GREEN, Widow	Aged ab't -

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When it was **resolved** by all the Vestry present that the said Samuel SNELLING, George BATH, George SPARKS, Jacob SPARKS and John GREGORY should, one of them, be placed with each of the following Tradesmen as an Apprentice, Viz't.

Mr William GOULD of Hallatrow, Tanner, Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN of the same place, Shoe-Maker, Mr James BUSH of High Littleton, Cooper, Mr James HARDING of the same place, Blacksmith, and Mr Henry TUCKER of the same place, Shoe-Maker. And it was farther **Resolved** that, in order to effect the most fair and impartial appointment of the said last mentioned several Children to the several Tradesmen before enumerated, that the Names of such several Children should be written on Slips of Paper and put into one Hat, and the Names of such Tradesmen written on Slips of Paper and put into another Hat, and that the Churchwarden (Mr LANSDOWN) and the Overseer (William BROOK(E)S) should respectively draw a Name from each Hat, when the said several Children were Ballot(t)ed to the several Tradesmen before mentioned in the following manner, Viz't.

George SPARKS	to Mr William GOULD	Tanner
George BATH	to Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN	Shoemaker
Samuel SNELLING	to Mr James BUSH	Cooper
Jacob SPARKS	to Mr James HARDING	Blacksmith
John GREGORY	to Mr Henry TUCKER	Shoemaker

and the Overseer was **directed** to procure the necessary Indentures and Sums of Money, and to pursue the usual and legal means for placing the said several Children with such several Tradesmen, with all possible expedition.

At this Vestry it was also further agreed and **Resolved** that the occupiers for the time being of the several following Houses should be liable to receive, in regular rotation, one Apprentice, and that with every such Apprentice the Sum of Ten Pounds shall be paid to the occupier of the House whose turn or chance it shall happen to be to receive an Apprentice, which sum is to be collected & made up by all the Occupiers of Lands within the Parish, each & every such occupier paying the Sum of Two pence, for every Acre of Land occupied for each Apprentice to be put out, into the hands of the Churchwardens and Overseers for the time being, or one of them, who are and is hereby intended to be officially answerable to the occupiers of Houses for such sum, and are hereby directed and required to Tender such Sum to such occupiers with every such Apprentice.

The List of Houses hereby considered and declared as now properly and fairly liable to receive each an Apprentice on the Terms before set forth, Viz't.

In High Littleton

<u>Names of Houses</u>	<u>Owners</u>	<u>Present Occupiers</u>
High Littleton House	Mrs [<i>Sarah</i>] MOGG	Mrs MOGG
Church Farm House	Geo. MOGG Esq're & Bros. etc.	William JAMES
ROWSWELL's Farm House	do.	George TUCKER
Kingwell Farm House	do.	Mr Rich'd BROOKE
Broomhill Farm House	do.	Jonah SAGE
Rugburn House	Wm. Jones BURDETT Esq're	George MILES
DRURY's Farm House	Do.	William DRURY
Mr LANSDOWN's House	Mr [<i>Lawrence</i>] LANSDOWN	Mr LANSDOWN
HARDING's House	do.	Jacob MOGG Esq're
Riden's Farm House	Representatives of late Mrs FLOWER	James BUSH Jun'r

In Hallatrow

Miss SKEY's House	Miss SKEY	Miss SKEY
Mr PURNELL's House	John PURNELL Esq're	Mr Rob't PURNELL
do. Farm House	do.	James WEEKS
Mr LANGFORD's House	Mr [<i>Richard</i>] LANGFORD	Mr LANGFORD
do.'s 1st Farm House	do.	Mr [<i>William</i>] BATH
do.'s 2nd Farm House	do.	Joel KEEL
HILL's Farm House	Daniel HILL	John STICKLER
Mr BRODRIBB's House	Mr [<i>Thomas</i>] BRODRIBB	Mr BRODRIBB
Red House	do.	Nehemiah SAGE
Brick House	Mr Thomas JAMES	George MATTHEWS
Hallatrow Farm	Wm. GORE LANGTON Esq're	John BLINMAN
John COOK's House	John COOK	William WEEKS
Mr DUDDEN's House	Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN	James VOKES
JORDAN's House	Mr LANCASHIRE [<i>James LANCASTER</i>]	William GOULD

And further, it was **Resolved**, in order to the impartial distribution of the remaining Children amongst the several occupiers of such several Houses as aforesaid, that a similar mode of Ballot(t)ing as that before set forth and pursued with respect to the appointment of the before mentioned several Children to the several Tradesmen as

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aforesaid, be now adopted, when the several Children were Ballot(t)ed to the several Occupiers of Houses following, Viz't.

Ann BULL	to Mrs MOGG as the occupier of	High-Littleton House
Betty GAGE	to Will'm JAMES as the occupier of	Church Farm House
Fanny BROWNING	to George TUCKER as occupier of	ROWSWELL's Farm House
Keziah RUDDOCK	to George MILES as occupier of	Rugburn House
Eliz'th SNELLING	to William DRURY as occupier of	DRURY's Farm House
Sam'l BULL	to Mr LANSDOWN as occupier of	his own House
Betty BRICE	to James BUSH as occupier of	Riden's Farm House
Sarah Greenland WILKINS	to Miss SKEY as occupier of	her own House
William BRICE	to Mr LANGFORD as occupier of	his own House
Joyce YOUNG	to Joel KEEL as occupier of	Mr LANGFORD's Farm House
Keziah GREEN	to Nehemiah SAGE as occupier of	Red House
Mary BRICE	to the occupier of	the Brick House
David HOOK	to William WEEKS as occupier of	COOK's Farm House

and the Churchwarden and Overseer were accordingly **directed** to collect from the respective occupiers of Lands situated in the said Parish, the Sum of Two pence for every Acre for each of such last mentioned Apprentices, and also to procure the several Indentures necessary for Apprenticing such several Children and to exert themselves in every way they can to accomplish legally and finally the object in view.

The further consideration of this business, and also the Examination of the Accounts of the Churchwardens and Overseers was adjourned to Friday next the 17th Instant to this place, then and there to meet at Ten o'Clock in the morning.

[Sgd] Rd. LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Wm. WEEKS, George TUCKER, The Mark of X Wm. JAMES.

High-Littleton Church, 17th April 1807.

At a Vestry holden here this day in pursuance of an Adjournment from the Vestry of the 13th Instant, it was **resolved** that the resolutions and proceedings, entered into and agreed upon at the said Vestry held the 13th Instant, should be carried into Effect with all possible expedition.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Wm. WEEKS, George TUCKER, The Mark X of Wm. JAMES.

High Littleton, April 17th 1807.

At a Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed did **settle** the following Weekly pay for the several Paupers following, Viz't:

	s.	d.
Mary JAMES	2.	0 [Pd. 7 Wks. only]
Martha STICKLER	2.	0
Flower PERRY	2.	0
Mary WHITING	2.	0
Sarah CHIVERS	1.	3
John RAP[P/S]	1.	9
Ann D(R)URY	2.	0
Hannah PRIDDY	1.	9
F[rances] COMER's Child[ren]	1.	3 [Pd. 33 Wks. at 1/3, 22 at 2/6]
Mary ASHMAN	2.	0
Hannah PRIDDY's Child	1.	6
Mary HARRIS	1.	0
John PAYNE's Child	1.	6
Dinah BATH's Children	3.	0
Mary BATH	2.	0
James FRAPWELL	1.	6 [Pd. 29 Wks. at 1/6, 26 at 2/-]
Catharine PRIDDY	2.	0
Dinah GREEN & Children	2.	6 [Pd. 7 Wks. at 5/-, 12 at 3/9, 4 at 2/6, 32 at 1/3]
Charlotte SPARKS['s family]	1.	3 [Pd. 26 Wks. at 4/-, 29 at 2/6, 5 at 3/-]
Ann HOOK	1.	3 [Pd. 40 Wks. at 1/3, 7 at 2/6]
Hannah DANDO	1.	6
Martha EDWARDS	2.	0
John DURNEL[L]'s Child	1.	6
Hannah YOUNG's Child	1.	3 [Pd. 50 Wks. at 1/9, 5 at 3/-]

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Ab'l LOVE	2. 0
Sarah SMITH	1. 3 [Pd. 41 Wks. at 1/3, 14 at 1/6]
Cary SEMOR [SEYMOUR]	2. 0 [Pd. 16 Wks. only]
Mary WHITING (Paulton)	1. 0
Ann HARRIS (Shepton M't)	2. 0
Ann BOWDICH & Family	3. 0
Grace HARMER [HARMAN]	1. 0
[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Wm. WEEKS, George TUCKER, The Mark X of Wm. JAMES, Rd. LANGFORD.	

High Littleton Church, May 9th 1808.

At the annual Vestry held this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, pursuant to Notice, John STICKLER of Hallatrow was **nominated** to serve the office of Overseer for the year ensuing, for the Estate he occupies in the Parish, and Grace TUCKER was **nominated** to serve the office of Overseer for the year ensuing for the parish of High Littleton, for the Estate she occupies in the parish, of John PARSONS.

It was at the same time **agreed** that all Horses & Asses found running loose about the roads and Lanes should be pounded in the parish pound.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, George MILES, Wm. BROOKS, George TUCKER.

Weekly Calendar for 1808/9 not minuted but details ascertained from Overseers' Accounts, viz.

	s. d.
Jane SAGE	1. 0
Martha STICKLER	2. 0
Flower PERRY	2. 0
Sarah CHIVERS	1. 3
John RAP[P/S]	2. 0 [Pd. 18 Wks. at 2/-, 32 at 2/6]
Ann D(R)U(A)RY	2. 0 [Pd. 40 Wks. at 2/-, 10 at 2/6]
Han[n]ah SNEL[L/ING's Ch'ld	1. 3
Martha SAGE	1. 0
Betty SAGE's Child	1. 6
Mary WHITING	2. 0 [Pd. 30 Wks. only]
Dina BATH's Children	4. 6
Han[n]ah PRIDDY	1. 9
Do. Child	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
John PAIN's Child	1. 6
Diana GREEN's Child	1. 3
Ann BOWDITCH's Child'n	3. 0
Sharlot SPARKS' Child'n	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	2. 0
James FRAPWELL	2. 6 [Pd. 5 Wks. only]
Thomas BRIMBEL [BRIMBLE]	2. 6
John BRIMBEL's 2 Chil'n [3 after 8wks.]	2. 0 [Pd. 8 Wks. at 2/-, 21 at 3/- & 21 at 4/6]
John BRIMBEL's Wife	1. 0
Ann HOOK	1. 3
Han[n]ah DANDO	1. 6 [Pd. 15 Wks. at 1/6, 35 at 2/6]
John DURNEL[L]'s Ch'ld	1. 6
Faney [Fanny] COM(B)ER	1. 3
Betty FLOWER	1. 0
Sarah VOWELS	1. 6
Mary WHIT(T)IN[G], Paulton	1. 0
Cat'e PRIDDY	2. 0
Martha EDWARDS	2. 0 [Pd. 23 at 2/-, 27 at 2/6]
Ann HARRIS, Shepton	1. 6 [Pd. 10 Wks. at 1/6, 39 at 2/-]
Sarah SMITH	2. 0
Han[n]ah YOUNG's Child	1. 9
Aby LOVE	2. 0
William HART	1. 6
Han[n]ah CL(E)AR[E]	2. 0

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Mary WIATT's fam'ly	7. 6 [Pd. 30 Wks. only]
Mary RO(D)GERS & Son, farm'brow	1. 3 [Pd. 47 Wks. only - died July 1808]
Widow [Sarah] HARRIS, Fro(o)me	1. 6 [Pd. 34 Wks. only]
Grace HARMON	1. 6
Mary BATH	2. 0

High Littleton Church, 24th April 1809.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed did **nominate** James WEEKS of Hallatrow, for the House and Estate of John PURNELL Esq're, and George SPREAT, for his own House (late READ's), Overseers of this Parish for the current Year.

[Sgd] Rd. LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, Thomas JAMES, L. LANSDOWN, George TUCKER, The Mark of X Wm. JAMES.

Weekly Calendar for 1809/10 not minuted but details ascertained from Overseers' Accounts, viz.

	s. d.
Jean [Jane] SAGE	1. 0
Martha STICKLER	2. 0 [Pd. 49 Wks. at 2/-, 6 at 2/6]
Flower PERRY	2. 0 [Pd. 49 Wks. at 2/-, 6 at 2/6]
Sarah CHIVERS	2. 0 [Pd. 49 Wks. at 2/-, 6 at 2/6]
John RAP[P/S]	2. 6 [Pd. 5 Wks. Dead]
Ann D(R)U(A)RY	2. 6 [Pd. 41 Wks. at 2/6, 14 at 5/-]
Han[n]ah SNELLING	1. 0 [Pd. 49 Wks. at 1/-, 6 at 1/3]
Han[n]ah SNELLING's Gurl (sic)	1. 3
Mary BATH	2. 6
Martha SAGE	1. 0
Betty SAGE'(i)s Child	1. 6
Dina BATH's Children	4. 6
Han[n]ah PRIDDY	1. 9
Do. Child	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
John PAYN's Child	1. 6
Dina GREEN's Child	1. 3
Ann BOWDITCH's fam'ly	3. 0
Sharlot SPARKS' Children	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	2. 0 [Pd. 35 Wks. at 2/-, 20 at 2/6]
Thomas BRIMBEL	2. 6
John BRIMBEL's fam'y	4. 6
Do. Wife	1. 0
Ann HOOK	1. 3 [Pd. 22 Wks. at 1/3, 33 at 1/6]
Han[n]ah DANDO	2. 6
John DURNEL[L]'s Child	1. 6
Faney COM(B)ER	1. 3
Betty FLOWER	1. 0
Sarah VOWL[E/S]	1. 6
Mary WHITEHEAD [WHITING], Paulton	1. 0
Cat'e PRIDDY	2. 0 [Pd. 35 Wks. at 2/-, 20 at 2/6]
Martha EDWARDS	2. 6
Ann HARRIS, Shepton	2. 0
Sarah SMITH	2. 0 [Pd. 49 Wks. at 2/-, 6 at 2/6]
Han[n]ah YOUNG's Ch'ld	1. 9
Aby LOVE	2. 0 [Pd. 35 Wks. at 2/-, 20 at 2/6]
Wm. HART	1. 6
Han[n]ah CL(E)AR[E]	1. 0
Molly WIATT [WYATT]'s fam'ly	7. 6 [Pd. 6 Wks. at 7/6, 49 at 6/-]
Widow [Sarah] HARRIS, fro(o)me	1. 6 [Pd. 40 Wks. at 1/6, 15 at 2/6]
Grace HARMAN	1. 6
Martha SMITH	1. 0
Betty HARRIS	1. 0

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High Littleton, 29 May 1809.

At a vestry held this Day, in pursuance of Notice,

Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN and Mr William WEEKS were **appointed** Collectors of the Taxes for this Parish for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG.

High Littleton Church, 23rd April 1810.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed did **nominate** Joel KEEL, for Mr LANGFORD's Home Estate and Jonas SAGE, for Mr MOGG's Estate called Broomhill, Overseers of the Poor of this Parish for the Year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, Geo. MILES, George TUCKER, Will'm JAMES X.

Weekly Calendar for 1810/1 not minuted but details ascertained from Overseers' Accounts, viz.

	s. d.
Jane SAGE	1. 0
Martha STICKLER	2. 6
Flower PERRY	2. 6 [Pd. 42 Wks. Dead (Feb 1811)]
Sarah CHIVERS	2. 6
Ann DURY	4. 6
Hannah SNELLING	1. 3
Hannah SNELLING's G(u)irl	1. 3
Mary BATH	1. 3
Martha SAGE	1. 0
Betty SAGE's Child	1. 6
Diana BATH's Children	4. 6
Hanna[h] PRIDDY	1. 9
Do. her Child	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 0
Diana GREEN's Child	1. 3
Ann BOWDITCH's Family	3. 0
Charlot SPARK(E)'S's Children	2. 6
Mary ASHMAN	2. 6
Thomas BRIMBELL [BRIMBLE] & Wife	4. 6 Dead [Tho's died Mar 1811]
John BRIMBELL's Wife & Family	5. 6
Ann HOOK	1. 6
Hannah DANDO	2. 6 Dead
John DURNEL[L]'s Child	1. 6
Fanny COM(B)ER's Child	1. 3
Betty FLOWER	1. 0
Sarah VOWLS	1. 6
Mary WHITHEAD [WHITING], Paulton	1. 0
Katherine PRID[D]Y	2. 6 [Pd. 50 Wks. Dead (Mar 1811)]
Martha EDWARDS	2. 6
Sarah SMITH	2. 6
Abigale GLOVE [Abigail LOVE]	2. 6
Will'm HART	1. 6 [Pd. 6 Wks. Dead (Jun 1810)]
Hanna[h] CL(E)AR[E]	1. 0
Molly W(E)YAT[T]'s Fam'ly	4. 6
Grace HARMAN	1. 6 [Pd. 6 Wks. only]
Martha SMITH	1. 0
Betty HARRIS	1. 0
Martha SALMON's Child	1. 9
John HOOK	3. 0
Hanna[h] YOUNG's Child	1. 9
Widow [Sarah] HARRIS at Frome	[blank]
Samuel GREENLAND, Mid'r Norton	2. 6 [Pd. 24 Wks. only]
[John] PRID[D]Y's two Children	7. 0
John NEWBURY's Daughter	1. 0 [Pd. 13 Wks. only]
Hannah SAGE's Child by [Edw'd] DURNFORD	2. 0 [Pd. 37 Wks. only]

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Susan WHITING	6. 0 [<i>Pd. 34 Wks. only</i>]
Diana BATH for looking after her Mother	0. 6
John ASHMAN for [<i>John</i>] PAIN's Child	2. 6
Hester WEEKS for keeping [<i>George</i>] BLAN[<i>N</i>]/ING's Children	6. 0
Susan GREENLAND	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. only</i>]

High Littleton Church, April 24th 1811.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscribed did **appoint** Peter Edw'd SCOBELL M.D. for Holly Bush Estate and Mr Rich'd BROOKE for Mr MOGG's Estate called Kingwell, Overseers of this parish for the current Year.

[*Sgd*] Jacob MOGG, Rd. LANGFORD, Tho's JAMES, L. LANSDOWN, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS, George MILES.

Weekly Calendar for 1811/2 not minuted but details ascertained from Overseers' Accounts, viz.

	s. d.
Jane SAGE	1. 0
Sarah CHIVERS	2. 6
Ann DURY	4. 6 [<i>Pd. 46 Wks. Dead (Mar 1812)</i>]
Hannah SNELLING	1. 3
Do. her Maid	1. 3
Martha SAGE	1. 0
Betty SAGE's Child	1. 6
Betty FLOWER	1. 0 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. at 1/-, 41 at 1/6</i>]
Sarah VOWLES	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 46 Wks. Dead (Mar 1812)</i>]
Sarah SMITH	2. 6
Abigail LUFF [<i>LOVE</i>]	2. 6
Tho's BRIMBLE's Wife [<i>Ann</i>]	2. 3
Martha STICKLAND	2. 6
Martha SMITH	1. 0
Martha SALMON's Child	1. 9
[<i>John</i>] PRIDDY's two children	5. 0
Hannah SAGE's Child by Edw'd DURNFORD	2. 0
Susanna WHITING	4. 0 [<i>Pd. 10 Wks. at 4/-, 39 at 4/6</i>]
Susanna GRIDLER [<i>GREENLAND</i>]	2. 6
Tho's KIN[<i>G</i>]/MAN's family	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. at 2/6, 41 at 3/-</i>]
Hannah PRIDDY	2. 3
Do. her Child	1. 6
Mary HARRIS	1. 6
Diana(h) GREEN's two Children	1. 6 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. at 1/6, 41 at 3/-</i>]
Mary ASHMAN	2. 6
Ann HOOK's Child	1. 6
Mary WHITING, Paulton	1. 0
Martha EDWARDS	2. 6
John BRIMBLE's Wife & family	5. 6 [<i>Pd. 16 Wks. at 5/6, 33 at 6/6</i>]
[<i>Ann</i>] BOWDITCH's family	7. 6
Hannah CLARE's Child	1. 0
Mary WYAT[<i>T</i>]'s Family	4. 6
John HOOK	3. 0
Hannah YOUNG's Child	1. 9
George BLANNING's two Children	6. 0 [<i>Pd. 18 Wks. at 6/-, then 31 at 3/- for one child</i>]
Sam'l GREENLAND	2. 6
Charlotte SPARKS	2. 6
Dinah BATH	4. 6
Mary BATH	2. 6
Betty HARRIS	1. 0

High Littleton Church, March 30th 1812.

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At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscrib'd did **appoint** Cor's HARRIS of Kingwell Estate & George MILES for Rugbourn Estate, Overseers of this parish and Thomas BRODRIBB Esquire and Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN Churchwardens for the Current Year.

[Sgd] P. Edward SCOBELL, Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Rich'd BROOKES, Tho's JAMES, Jonas WEEKS, Joel KEEL, George MILES, Wm. WEEKS.

Weekly Calendar for 1812/3 not minuted but details ascertained from Overseers' Accounts, viz.

	s.	d.
Jane SAGE	1.	0
Sarah CHIVERS	2.	6
Martha SAGE	1.	0
Betty SAGE's Child	1.	6
Betty FLOWER	1.	6
Hannah SNELLING	1.	3
do. do. her Maid	1.	3
Sarah SMITH	2.	6
Abigail LUFF [<i>LOVE</i>]	2.	6
Martha STICKLAND	2.	6
Martha BULL	1.	6
Tho's BRIMBLE's Wife [<i>Ann</i>] & family	2.	3
Martha SMITH	1.	0
Martha SALMON's Child by John CARTER	2.	0 [<i>Pd. 47 Wks. only</i>]
Martha SALMON's Child by [<i>blank</i>]	1.	9
Ann WHITING	0.	9
Susannah WHITHEAD [<i>WHITING</i>]	4.	6
Betty HARRIS	1.	6
Elizabeth YOUNG's child by G[<i>eorge</i>] TRAVIS	2.	0
Susanna GRIDLER [<i>GREENLAND</i>]	2.	6
Hannah SAGE's Child by Edw'd DURNFORD	2.	0
Tho's KINGMAN's family	3.	0
Mary WHITING (Paulton)	1.	0 [<i>Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/-, 51 at 2/-</i>]
Martha EDWARDS	2.	6
John EVANS' Widow & two Children	4.	0
Sam'l LANSDOWN (Clerk)	2.	6
John PRIDDY's two children	5.	0 [<i>Pd. 38 Wks. at 5/-, then 2 at 3/9, 8 at 3/6, 2 at 2/6 & 5 at 1/6 for one child</i>]
Hannah PRID[D]Y	2.	3
do. do. her child	1.	6
Charlotte SPARKS' Boy	2.	6 [<i>Pd. 4 Wks. at 2/6, 51 at 3/-</i>]
Ann HOOK's Daughter	2.	0 [<i>Pd. 28 Wks. since Dead</i>]
Mary BATH	2.	6 [<i>Pd. 30 Wks. since Dead</i>]
Dinah BATH's three Boys	4.	6 [<i>Pd. 24 Wks. at 4/6, then 31 at 3/3 for two Boys</i>]
[<i>Ann</i>] BOWDITCH's three Children	7.	6
Mary ASHMAN	2.	6
Mary HARRIS	1.	6
Rob't HOLLOWAY's two Children	3.	0
Hannah CLARE	1.	0 [<i>Pd. 32 Wks. at 1/-, 23 at 1/6. - Paid Arrears by order of Magistrates, viz. 1/6 for Daughter 3 Weeks, 4/6 & 7 Weeks at 6d. p. Week = 8/-</i>]
Mary WYATT's 3 Children	4.	6
Sarah EMERY's Child	1.	6 [<i>Pd. 40 Wks. at 1/-, 15 at 2/-</i>]
John HOOK	3.	0 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. at 3/-, 47 at 3/6</i>]
Sam'l GREENLAND	2.	6
John BRIMBLE's Wife & family	6.	6 [<i>Pd. 46 Wks. at 6/6, 4 at 7/6. - paid 14 Weeks Arrears to the 13th day of February, by order of Magistrates = 14/-</i>]
George BLANNING's Boy	3.	0
[<i>Joseph - deleted</i>] Joel BRIMBLE	2.	6
Jacob SIMMONS	1.	6 [<i>Pd. 8 Wks. at 1/6, 47 at 2/6</i>]

High Littleton Church, April 20th 1813.

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At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons whose Names are hereunto subscrib'd did **appoint** Mr John BLINMAN of Hallatrow farm & Wm. JAMES of Church farm in High Littleton, Overseers for the Current Year, and Thomas BRODRIBB Esq're & Mr Lawrence LANSDOWN Churchwardens.

It is likewise **agreed** by this Vestry that the sum of Ten pounds p. Year shall be paid out of the poor Rates as a Salary for Conducting & serving the Office of Overseers.

[Sgd] L. LANSDOWN, Tho's BRODRIBB, Church Wardens, Jacob MOGG, Jonas WEEKS, George MILES, George TUCKER, The Mark of X Wm. JAMES, John BLINMAN.

Hear (*sic*) follows a List of the poor to Receive **Weekly pay**,
as ordered at the Easter Vestry for the Year 1813-1814.

		s. d.
No. 1	Jane SAGE	1. 6 p. Week
2	Sarah CHIVERS	2. 6
3	Martha SAGE	1. 0
4	Betty SAG[E]'s Child	1. 6
5	Betty FLOWER	1. 6
6	John PRIDDY's Girl	1. 6
7	Hannah SNELLING	1. 3
8	Sarah SMITH	2. 6
9	Abigail LUFF [<i>LOVE</i>]	3. 6
10	Martha STICKLAND [<i>STICKLER</i>]	2. 6
11	Martha BULL	1. 6
12	Ann WHITING	0. 9
13	Hannah PRIDDY	2. 3
14	do. & her G(u)irl	1. 6
15	Tho's BRIMBLE's Widow	2. 3
16	Martha SMITH	1. 6
17	Martha SALMON's Child by [<i>blank</i>]	1. 9
18	do. do. do. by J. CARTER	2. 0
19	Susannah WHITING's family	4. 6
20	Betty HARRIS	1. 6
21	Susannah GRIDLER [<i>GREENLAND</i>]'s Child	1. 6
22	Hannah SAGE's Child by [<i>Edward</i>] DURNFORD	2. 0
23	Tho's KINGMAN's family	2. 0
24	Mary WHITING (Paulton)	2. 0
25	Martha EDWARDS [<i>at Chelwood</i>]	3. 0
26	Eliz'th YOUNG's Child by G. TRAVIS	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 48 Wks. - Dead</i>]
27	Joel BRIMBLE & Wife	2. 6
28	John EVANS's Widow & two children (at Bath)	4. 0
29	Sam'l LANSDOWN & Wife	2. 6
30	W'm HARRIS	2. 0
31	Jacob SIMMONS	pr. Week 3. 0
32	Charlotte SPARKS herself	1. 6
33	Dinah BATH's two Boys (T.D. 1/9 Ab. B. 1/6)	3. 3
34	BOYDITCH [<i>BOWDITCH</i>]'s two Children	5. 0
35	Mary ASHMAN	2. 6
36	Mary HARRIS	1. 6
37	Rob't HOLLOWAY's two Child'n	3. 0
38	Hannah CLARE	1. 6
39	Mary WYATT's two Child'n	3. 0
40	John HOOK (Clutton)	3. 6
41	Sam'l GREENLAND (Norton)	2. 6
42	George BLANNING's Boy	3. 0
43	Sarah EMERY's Child	2. 0
44	[<i>Eleanor</i>] Widow [<i>of James</i>] SIMMONS' Four Chil'n	4. 0 [<i>Pd. 20 Wks. at 4/-, 31 at 3/-</i>]
45	Ben'n JAMES's two Chil'n 1/6 each	3. 0
46	Tho's LANSDOWN's Widow & Child	2. 0
47	Mary HIPPERT [<i>HILBERT</i>]'s Child by Isaac NASH	2. 0
48	Hannah YOUNG Rent (Pensford)	0. 6

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49	Widow [<i>Sarah</i>] HARRIS (Frome)	<u>2. 6</u>
	Amount of Weekly pay	£5.11. 6
	Since	
50	Rosannah LANSDOWN's Child by George GANGE 2/- or 2/6	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 11 Wks. at 2/-, 29 at 2/3</i>]
51	Betty Collier [<i>Dudden</i>] TUCKER's Child by John HAM 2/- or 2/6	2. 6 [<i>Pd. 7 Wks. at 2/-, 29 at 2/3</i>]
52	Frances HOLBROOK's Child by Simon Slade HILL, Order by magistrates at 2/3 pr. wk.	<u>2. 3</u> [<i>Pd. 20 Wks. at 2/-</i>]
	Amount of Weekly Callan'r (<i>sic</i>)	£5.18. 9

High Littleton Church, April 13th 1814.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day the several persons Whose Names are hereunto subscrib'd adjourned the Meeting to be holden the 18th of this Instant at Farrington Inn.

[*Sgd*] John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, L. LANSDOWN, Joel KEEL.

Farrington Inn, April 18th 1814.

At a Vestry holden this day at Farrington Inn, in pursuance of the above written adjournment, the following Calendar of Weekly pay was made out and **agreed** to.

It was **agreed** that the Overseers for the Year, according to the antient (*sic*) rotation of Officers, should be Mr Thomas BRODRIBB for Red House Estate and Mr LANSDOWN for RUDDOCK's Estate, but it was unanimously **determined** that Mr Thomas FLOWER should serve the office, and be paid the sum of Ten pounds for such Service out of the Parish Rates; And that Tho's BRODRIBB Esq're & Mr [*Lawrence*] LANSDOWN should be Churchward'ns.

It was also **agreed** that the Overseer should call a Vestry at the Parish Church every Sunday Month throughout the Year, at which he shall produce his Accounts, and that the first Vestry shall be holden on Sunday the 15th of May next.

It was also unanimously **agreed** that the Annual Vestries in future shall be adjourned from the Church to Tho's FLOWER['s] for completing the Parish business.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, L. LANSDOWN, Tho's JAMES, Tho's Collier DUDDEN, Joel KEEL, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS, John PRESS, John BLINMAN.

Weekly Calendar - 18th April 1814.

No.		£.	s.	d.
1	Jane SAGE, Widow		1.	6
2	Sarah CHIVERS, Wife of Robert CHIVERS		2.	0
3	Martha SAGE, daughter of Jane SAGE			- [<i>Pd. 1/6 for 26 Wks.</i>]
4	Betty SAGE's Child by George SWIFT		1.	6
5	Betty FLOWER, Widow		1.	6
6	John PRIDDY's Child, with Sarah CHIVERS		1.	6
7	Hannah SNELLING, Widow		1.	3
8	Sarah SMITH, Widow		2.	0
9	Abigail LOVE, Widow		3.	6
10	Martha STICKLER, Widow		2.	6
11	Martha BULL, Widow		1.	6
12	Hannah PRIDDY, Widow		2.	3
13	Ann BRIMBLE, Widow of Thomas BRIMBLE		2.	3
14	Martha SMITH		1.	6
15	Martha SALMON's Child [<i>Boy</i>] by [<i>blank</i>]		1.	9
16	Do. [<i>Girl</i>] by John CARTER		2.	0
17	Susanna WHITING's three Children		4.	6
18	Betty HARRIS		1.	6
19	Richard GREENLAND's Boy		1.	6
20	Hannah SAGE's Child by [<i>Edw'd</i>] DURNFORD		2.	0
21	Judith KINGMAN, Widow of Thomas		1.	0
22	Mary WHITING, Widow (Paulton)		2.	0
23	Martha EDWARDS, Widow [<i>Chelwood</i>]		3.	0
24	Joel BRIMBLE & Wife		2.	6
25	[<i>Sarah</i>] EVANS, Widow of John & two children [<i>Bath</i>]		4.	0
26	Samuel LANSDOWN & Wife		2.	6

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27	William HARRIS	2. 0
28.	Jacob SIMMONS & for his Washing & Lodging	3. 6 [Pd. 33 Wks. - Dead]
29	Dinah BATH's Child by T.C.D[<i>UDDEN</i>]	1. 0
30	Do. by [<i>blank</i>]	1. 6
31	Geo. BOWDITCH with Wm. A(I)SHMAN	1. 6
32	Hester BOWDITCH with Thomas FLOWER of Farrington	2. 0
33	Mary A(I)SHMAN, Widow	2. 6
34	Mary HARRIS	1. 6
35	Rob't HOLLOWAY for his two children	2. 6
36	Hannah CLARE - her Husband Substitute for Croscombe	1. 6 [Pd. 47 Wks. only]
37	Mary WYATT for her two Children	3. 0
38	John HOOK & for his Lodging	3. 6
39	Samuel GREENLAND	2. 6 [Pd. 8 Wks. - Dead]
40	Sarah EMERY's Child by [<i>George</i>] HOLBROOK	2. 0 [Pd. 28 Wks. at 2/-, 22 at 3/-]
41	Widow [<i>Eleanor</i>] SIMMONS & Two Children (Radstock)	3. 0
42	Benj'n JAMES for his two Children	3. 0
43	Tho's LANSDOWN's Widow & Child	1. 6
44	Mary HIPPURD [<i>HILBERT</i>]'s Child by Isaac NAISH	2. 0
45	Hannah YOUNG, Widow, Pensford	0. 6
46	Rosannah LANSDOWN's Child by George GANGE	2. 3
47	Betty Dudden TUCKER's Child by John HAM	2. 3
48	Frances HOLBROOK's Child by Simon Slade HILL	2. 0
49	[<i>Sarah</i>] Widow [<i>of William</i>] HARRIS at Frome	2. 6
50	Joseph TUCKER's Child, Joseph, with Eliz'th FRANCIS	3. 0
51	John NEWBURY's Daughter	— 1. 6 [Pd 49 Wks.]
		£5. 7. 0
52	Ann BROWNING's Child by John WEEKS 2/- p.w.	2. 0 [Pd. 47 Wks.]
53	James WILKINS's Wife to be paid back by the Parish of Melksham	2. 6 [Pd. 47 Wks.]
		£5.11. 6

Henceforth the holding of Monthly Vestry Meetings was indicated by writing **M.V.** by the appropriate date in the left hand margin of the Overseers' Accounts. For the next year, minutes of such meetings were not generally recorded, although payments made in the Accounts provide evidence of decisions taken at these Meetings.

M.V. May 15 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

May 15 - Cash paid to Peter WEEKS, One Month's pay for G. BLANNING's Son at 3/- p. Week to the 7 Instant, in future to pay him 2/- p. Week, by order of Monthly Vestry - 12/-

May 16 - do. Paid Mr James DUDDEN, Wm. VOWLS' Quarter's Rent, by order of Monthly Vestry, due Christmas day - 13/9

M.V. June 12 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payment in Overseers' Accounts refers to an order made.

June 16 - Cash paid to Wm. VOWLS's family, he very Ill, by order of Monthly Vestry - 5/-

M.V. July 10 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

July 11 & 12 - Cash paid Expences to & from Bridg(e)water about James DIX's Settlement as under, by Order of Monthly Vestry, viz't:

Expences on a Journey to Bridgwater, Horse & self, Monday & on to Tuesday at Breckfast, Corn 13/6 & Expence in my Return, Horse & self 6/6 - £1

Cash paid John STICKLER for his Horse, two days & ½ - 5/-

Cash my time, two Days at 5/- p. Day - 10/-

Cash paid Councillor WILLIAMS' fee to move the Court for a tryall of James DIX's Settlement at Taunton Octo'r 3rd - £1. 1/-

July 15 - Cash paid to John TUCKER, Private in the 3rd Reg't of Foot Guards, two Weeks pay at 2/- p. Week for their (*sic*) Rent in London to the 9th day of July last past (Note, the pay stop'd from this time by order of Vestry) - 4/-

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July 30 - Cash to John HARRISON, One half Year's Rent for Jane SAGE due Lady-day last past, by Order of Monthly Vestry - £1. 10/-

M.V. Aug't 7th 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payment in Overseers' Accounts refers to an order made.

Aug't 22 - Cash to Will'm D/R/URY, One half of the Rent due to him by James WALTER(S), by Order of Monthly Vestry, he was Ill 27 Weeks - £2.12. 6

M.V. Sep'r 4 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

Sep'r 4 - Cash to Charles MARCHANT's family (he very Ill & not able to Work - order'd this day) - 4/-

Sep'r 9 - Cash paid to Ann POOL, Sam'l LANSDOWN(S) Jun'r's Rent to the 24th day of June last, by order of Monthly Vestry - £3.15/-

Sep'r 10 - Cash paid, Ten Week's pay at 2/- pr. Week to the Widow FRAFFEL [*Martha FRAPWELL*], living at Bristol, from the 2nd day of July to the 10th day of Sep'r last (this day), by order of Vestry - £1

M.V. Octo'r 2 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

Octo'r 6 - Cash, Bought 6 Yds. Hessens (*sic*) at 16d. p. Yd. is 8/- & Thread 3d. for Martha BULL, by order of Monthly Vestry - 8/3

- Cash, Bought Second hand Petycoat for Ann WHITING (not long enough for Han'h PRIDDY), by order of Monthly Vestry - 2/-

Octo'r 10 - Cash to Jane DIX's One half Quarter's Rent due Micha[e]lmas last at £4. 4/- p. Year, by Order of Monthly Vestry - 10/6

M.V. Octo'r 30 1814.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

Octo'r 31 Cash paid to John TUCKER's Wife & three Children to convey them to London (by Order of M. Vestry) - £1.10/-

Cash paid to Ben'n JAMES (by Order of Vestry) - 1/-

Nov'r 1 - N.B. Gave to Charles MARCHANT's Wife a Bed Tick of Hession & one Blankett (by Order of M. Vestry), they were bought for the use of John TUCKER's Wife & family.

Cash, Bought a Shirt 3/11, a Cloth Jackett 9/6 for George BOWDITCH, a Shift 4/10, a Bedgown 4/7½ for Martha EDWARDS, A Pety Coat for Hannah PRIDDY 4/10 (Order'd at M. Vestry) - £1. 7. 8½

Nov'r 17 - Cash, Bought a Second hand Coat 13/6, a Waistcoat 5/9, pair Breeches 8/6 for John HOOK (by order of M. Vestry) - £1. 7. 9

Nov'r 19 - Cash paid Henry HEWISH, One half Years's Rent for Edw'd BULL to Old Michalmus (*sic*) day, by Order of M. Vestry - £2

M.V. Nov'r 27 1814.

Only Doctor [*Peter Edward*] SCOBELL & Farmer [*William*] JAMES attended, no Business done.

M.V. Decem'r 25 1814.

Nothing minuted.

M.V. Jan'y 22 1815.

No Minutes recorded but the following payment in Overseers' Accounts refers to an order made.

Jan'y 22 - Cash paid to buy Cloaths for Sarah EMERY's Child, by order of Vestry, Joel KEEL & Jonah [*Jonas*] WEEKS - 5/-

M.V. Febru'y 19th 1815.

Nothing minuted.

High Littleton Church, March 28th 1815.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the same was adjourned to the House of the deputy overseer, Mr Thomas FLOWER, at Hallatrow, when the Calendar in the succeeding Pages was **resolved** on.

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Mr Thomas JAMES and Mr Thomas LANSDOWN were **appointed** Churchwardens and Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN, for the Estate of his Uncle Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN, and Farmer George TUCKER for Mr MOGG's Estate called Rosewell's, Overseers for the Year ensuing.
[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, P. Edward SCOBELL, Joel KEEL.

Weekly Calendar - March 28th 1815.

No.		£.	s.	d.
1	Jane SAGE		1.	6
2	Sarah CHIVERS, Wife of Robert CHIVERS		2.	0
3	Betty SAGE's Child by George SWIFT		1.	6
4	Betty FLOWER, Widow		1.	6
5	John PRIDDY's Child with Sarah CHIVERS		1.	6
6	Hannah SNELLING, Widow		0.	9
7	Sarah SMITH, Widow		1.	9
8	Abigail LOVE, Widow		3.	0
9	Martha STICKLER, Widow		2.	0
10	Martha BULL, Widow		1.	3
11	Hannah PRIDDY, Widow		2.	0
12	Ann BRIMBLE, Widow of Thomas BRIMBLE		1.	9
13	Martha SMITH		1.	3
14	Susanna WHITING's Two Children 1/3 each		2.	6
15	Betty HARRIS		1.	6
16	Richard GREENLAND's Child		1.	0
17	Hannah SAGE's Child by [Edw'd] DURNFORD		2.	0
18	Judith KINGMAN, Widow of Thomas KINGMAN		1.	0 [Pd. 14 Wks. - married to Sam'l FORD]
19	Mary WHITING, Widow at Paulton		1.	9
20	Martha EDWARDS, Widow [at Chelwood]		3.	0
21	Jane BRIMBLE, Widow of Thomas BRIMBLE		2.	0
22	[Sarah] EVANS, Widow of John, & two children		3.	0
23	Samuel LANSDOWN & Wife		2.	6 [Pd. 16 Wks. only to Wife]
24	William HARRIS		2.	0
25	Dinah BATH's Child Abraham		0.	6
26	George BOWDITCH, a child with Wm. AISHMAN		1.	0
27	Hester BOWDITCH, a child with Tho's FLOWER		1.	6
28	Mary ASHMAN, Widow		2.	0
29	Mary HARRIS		1.	3
30	Rob't HOLLOWAY for his two children		1.	6
31	Mary WYATT's two Children		1.	0
32	John HOOK & for his washing & Lodging		3.	6
33	Sarah EMERY's Child by [George] HOLBROOK 2/- & for Nursing do. 1/-		3.	0
34	Widow [Eleanor] SIMMONS's two Children, at Radstock		2.	6
35	Benjamin JAMES's two Children		3.	0
36	Thomas LANSDOWN's Widow & Child		1.	6
37	Mary HIBBURD [HILBERT]'s Child by Isaac NAISH		2.	0
38	Hannah YOUNG of Pensford, for Rent		0.	6
39	Rosannah LANSDOWN's Child by George GANGE		2.	3
40	Betty Dudden TUCKER's Child by John HAM		2.	3
41	Frances HOLBROOK's Child by Simon Slade HILL		2.	0
42	Widow [Sarah] HARRIS, Frome		2.	6
43	Joseph TUCKER's Child, Joseph, w'th Eliz'th FRANCIS		3.	0
44	John NEWBURY's Daughter [Elizabeth]		1.	6
45	Ann BROWNING's Child by John WEEKS		2.	0
46	James WILKINS' Wife, by the Parish of Melksham		2.	6 [Pd. 14 Wks. at 2/6 for Wife, 20 at 4/- for James & Wife, 18 at 2/- for James alone]
47	George BLANNING's Son Edw'd with Peter WEEKS		1.	6 [Pd. 26 Wks. only]
48	Mary FRY		3.	0 [Pd. 36 Wks. only]
49	Martha FRAPWELL, Widow, in Bristol		2.	0 [Pd. 24 Wks. at 2/-, 28 at 2/6]

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50	The Three Children of Jane DIX	4.	6
51	[Sarah] The Widow [of Wm.] VOWLES's Four Children	5.	0 [Pd. 50 Wks. at 5/- for 4 Chil'n at 1/3, 2 at 3/9 for 3 Chil'n]
52	Ann HOOK	1.	9
53	Betty CHIVERS	1.	3
54	Martha SALMON's Boy kept by her present Husband, Sam'l BEES	2.	0
55	Do.'s Child, Kept by Jane SAGE, by Jno. CARTER	2.	0
	Do. looking after Do.	1.	0
56	Grand[d]aughter of Hannah PRIDDY	<u>1.</u>	<u>6</u>
	One Week's pay	£5.12.	3

M.V. April 30th 1815.

No Minutes recorded but the following payments in Overseers' Accounts refer to orders made.

May 4 - Cash paid to Henry HUIISH [HEWISH], One Quarter's Rent for Edw'd BULL to the 7th day of April last, by Order of Vestry, on account of his Goods being Distrained, at the rate of £5. 5/- p. Year - £1. 6. 3
Cash paid Expenses for Distraining on his Goods - 2/6

Note - It was settled to pay 10/6 p. Quarter until Edw'd BULL shall be able to pay his own Rent.

May 6 - Cash paid, two Weeks pay to Ben'n FORD's Crippled Child at 1/6 pr. Week, by order of M. Vestry - 3/-

M.V. May 28th 1815.

No Minutes recorded

M.V. June 25 1815.

Note, It was **Ordered** at this Vestry that Two Shillings and Sixpence pr. Week be paid from this time to the Wife of James PAIN, she being 76 Years of Age and he 85 Years of Age, living at Stanton Drew.

M.V. July 23 1815.

It was **agreed** at this Vestry that Six Shillings pr. Week be paid to the Wife and Four Children of Wm. TUCKER, gon[e] to do Gar[r]ison Duty at Plymouth, till his Return; likewise 20s. be **paid** to the Son of Rob't CHIVERS for the care & attention paid by him to his Father for Seventeen Weeks last past, and that 3/- pr. Week be **paid** to Rob't CHIVERS till further Notice;

likewise that Samuel LANSDOWN Senior be **requested** to make over his House to the Parish unless the Money Paid to him & his Wife be repaid, amounting to £23.17. 6, at 2/6 pr. Week from the 30th day of Nov'r 1811 to the 15th day of July 1815, being One Hundred and Ninety one Weeks' pay, and that his Weekly pay is to be suspended if he will not consent to it, & to which he have refused to do.

It was **determined** on that Charlot SPARKS is to pay Forty Shillings pr. Year for the House she lives in in Hart's Lane, to be paid by Weekly payments, & that Betty HARRIS is to be continued an Inmate with her, on these Conditions: no other Person is to be put in with her etc. but should she neglect to pay as above, the Bargain to be nul[l] & void & the House to be at the Disposal of the Parish as before.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Dr SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, Joel KEEL, James BOULTER, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS, George SPREAT.

M.V. Aug't 20 1815.

It was **agreed** at this Vestry that Twenty Shillings should be paid to the Wife of John TUCKER, Private in the 3rd Reg't of Foot Guards in London, for her Lying in.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Dr SCOBELL, Tho's Powel[l] LANSDOWN, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. JAMES, George TUCKER.

Sept'r 3 1815.

No Minutes recorded but the following payment in Overseers' Accounts refers to an order made.

Sept'r 3 - Cash paid to Wm. TUCKER's Child (by order of the Payers this day at the Church) in Measels - 3/6

N.B. Wm. TUCKER's Wife is gon[e] down to Plymouth to her Husband and left her Children unprotected.

M.V. Sept'r 17 1815.

No Minutes recorded

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Sept'r 24 1815.

At a Vestry Convened for the Purpose, it was **agreed** that Wm. HARDING was to have 2/6 pr. Week during the time of his Illness, and that if it could be proved that he had any right to the Three Houses in Question, that the Weekly Money so paid should be refunded.

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Mr LANGFORD, Joel KEEL, James BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS.

Octo'r 8 1815.

At a Meeting after Church, it was **agreed** to pay Hannah SAGE during her present Illness and inability of Working, 1/6 p. Week.

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Mr LANGFORD, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, James BOULTER.

M.V. Octo'r 15 1815.

No Business done this day.

M.V. Novem'r 12 1815.

Note - Farmer George MILES's Application for Three Quarters' Rent to the 25th day of Decem'r 1813 was postponed to the next Yearly Vestry to be taken into Consideration at that time.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Doc'r SCOBELL, Mr T.P. LANSDOWN, Joel KEEL, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, Wm. JAMES, George SPREAT.

M.V. Dec'r 10 1815.

No Business done.

M.V. Jan'y 7 1816.

Note - It was **agreed** at this Vestry that Sarah SMITH is to have a pair of Shoes; that Wm. HARDING is to have a flanel (*sic*) Waistcoat and a Shirt.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr Tho's JAMES, Mr Tho's P. LANSDOWN, Joel KEEL, Wm. JAMES, George TUCKER, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Mr W. BENNETT, Mr Tho's C. DUDDEN.

M.V. Febru'y 4 1816.

No Business done.

M.V. March 3rd 1816.

Vestry Called, no Business done.

High Littleton Church, March 25th 1816.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, the same was adjourned to the House of Thomas FLOWER at Hallatrow, when the Callender (*sic*) in the succeeding Page was **resolved** on.

Mr Thomas JAMES and George TUCKER were **appointed** Churchwardens, and Mr Will'm WEEKS, for John COOK's Estate at Hallatrow, and Mr Wm. PERRY, for George MOGG Esq'r's Estate called Kingwell belonging to High Littleton, [*were appointed Overseers*] for the Ensewing (*sic*) Year.

It was further **agreed** that, George SALMON living at Mells, the Parish was to pay One half the price of a Truss, he being Ruptured.

[*Sgd*] Jas. BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WEEKS, Joel KEEL, Wm. GOOLD.

Weekly Callender - March 25th 1816

	£.	s.	d.
No. 1 Jane SAGE	1.	0	[Pd. 12 Wks. at 1/-, 40 at 1/6]
2 Sarah CHIVERS	2.	0	
3 Betty SAGE's Child	1.	0	
4 Betty FLOWER, Widow	1.	0	
5 John PRIDDY's Child	1.	0	
6 Han'h SNELLING	0.	9	
7 Sarah SMITH	1.	9	
8 Abigail LOVE	2.	6	
9 Martha STICKLAND	2.	0	
10 Martha BULL	1.	0	[Pd. 32 Wks. at 1/-, 20 at 1/3]
11 Ann BRIMBLE	2.	0	
12 Martha SMITH	1.	0	

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13	Martha SALMON's Boy	2. 0
14	do. Girl	2. 0
15	Susan[n]ah WHITING's Two Chil'n 1/3 each	2. 6
16	Betty HARRIS	1. 6
17	Rich'd GREENLAND's Child	1. 0
18	Hannah SAGE's Child	2. 0
19	Betty CHIVERS, Widow	1. 0
20	Han'h PRIDDY	1. 6
21	do. her Drandaughter (<i>sic</i>)	1. 0
22	Hester BOWDITCH	1. 0
23	Ann HOOK	1. 0
24	Mary AISHMAN	2. 0
25	Mary HARRIS	1. 0
26	Mary WYATT's two Children at 1/- each	2. 0
27	Will'm HARRIS	2. 0
28	John HOOK 2/- pr. Week, 6d. for Washing & 6d. for Lodging	3. 0
29	Sarah EMERY's Child	2. 0 [<i>Pd. 12 Wks. at 2/-, 40 at 2/6</i>]
30	Widow SIMMONS' One Child	1. 3
31	Ann LANSDOWN['s] Child, Widow	1. 3
32	Betty JAMES's One Child 1/3 - Boy to Work earn 1/-	1. 3
33	Mary HILBERT's Child	2. 0
34	Hannah YOUNG	0. 6
35	Betty Dudden TUCKER's Child	2. 3
36	Ros'h LANSDOWN's Child	2. 3
37	Frances HOLBROOK['s] Child	2. 0
38	Widow HARRIS (Frome)	2. 0
39	John NEWBURY's Daughter Elizabeth	1. 0
40	Ann BROWNING's Child	2. 0
41	James WILKINS	2. 0
42	Martha FRAPWELL (Bristol)	2. 6
43	Jane DIX's 3 Chil'n at 1/3	3. 9
44	Joseph TUCKER to go home	1. 3
45	Widow VOWLS's two Youngest Chil'n at 1/6 each	3. 0
46	Mary WHITING (Paulton)	1. 9
47	Martha EDWARDS (Chelwood)	2. 6
48	Jane BRIMBLE	2. 0
49	John EVANS' Wife & two Chil'n 1/3 each	2. 6
50	James PAIN's Wife at Stanton Drew	2. 0
51	Han'h SAGE	1. 6
		£4. 8. 0
52	Hannah SNELLING's Rent at 6d. pr. Week	0. 6
53	Hannah BROWNING's Rent at 6d. pr. Week	0. 6
		£4. 9. 0

At a Meeting held by the Appointment of George MOGG Esq'r and Joseph HILL Esq'r, Chief Proprietors of Mearns Coal Works at their Counting House at Mearns in the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, with Thomas FLOWER, Acting Overseer of the said Parish of High Littleton, on Wednesday the 24th day of April One thousand Eight Hundred and sixteen;

After Explaining the Difficulty of their present Works and the probability of the Lower (or John WILKINS') Pit's being quite exhausted and not likely to be Worked at farthest longer than Six Months from the present time, as well as the Upper (or Daniel PICKFORD's) Pit's continuing longer than Lady Day 1817, Unless the Proprietors should Succeed in sinking further down, so as to be able to Work the lower part of such Work, which they are dubious of, on account of the Water;

It was then proposed by Mr Joseph HILL that they would present the Parish of High Littleton with Twenty Pounds Pr. Year, out of the Work called the Upper (or Daniel PICKFORD's Pit) with a View to ease the Parish of High Littleton, owing to the late and present high state of the Poor's Rates etc.

But it was then Suggested by Mr George MOGG that, notwithstanding the state of the Lower (or John WILKINS' Pit), that they would give Ten Pounds Pr. Annum for the lower and Twenty Pounds Pr. Annum for the Upper Pit, making together Thirty Pounds Pr. Annum, to be paid to the Overseers of the Parish of High

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Littleton by Quarterly payments, viz't Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, to be paid on, or im/m/ediately after, the 24th day of June next, and so to pay the like sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings every Quarter after, by way of Gift to the Parish of High Littleton, which was agreed to by Mr Joseph HILL.

It was further proposed by the before Mentioned George MOGG and Joseph HILL Esq's that, should they Succeed with their new sinking at the Upper (or Daniel PICKFORD's Pit) or should they succeed in Bending a New Work they have begun, then, in that case, they will Augment the Sum, in proportion as the Work's shall be found to Answer etc.

It was requested by Mr George MOGG and Mr Joseph HILL that the present, or future Sum given by them, should not be placed with, or added to, the Poor's Rate, but be looked on as a Gift Annual[l]y from them etc.; they have given Orders to their Clerks to pay to the Overseers as before mentioned, regularly every Quarter, the first payment to Commence on the 24th day of June next.

These, their Proposals, they hope will be Accepted by the Parish of High Littleton, as being more in Proportion than they Give to the Parish of Timsbury Aris(e)ing from the Great Tynning, it being in full Work, and Mearns very unproductive etc. and Concluded thus: they had every reason to conclude, as things are now Circumstanced, that the Parish of High Littleton will be greater Gainers at the Year's end than they themselves.

M.V. May 12 1816.

At a Vestry held this Day it was **agreed** that Rob't CHIVERS is to have 1/6 pr. Week & to do what he can; Ben'n FORD's Child, a Cripple, to have 1/- pr. Week, Sarah HARRIS at Frome to be allowed the same as last Year, viz't 2/6 pr. Wk; Mary WHITING at Paulton to have a Blanket Bought her, Betty CHIVERS, Widow, to be allowed the same as last year, viz't 1/3 pr. Week, Martha EDWARDS to have the same as last Year, viz't 2/6 pr. Week, Sarah EMERY's Child to have some Linen bought it.

Payers Present: Doctor SCOBELL, George TUCKER, Wm. JAMES, James BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

M.V. June 9 1816.

No Vestry held this day.

June 16 1816.

At a Vestry purposely Called after Church this Day, it was **Resolved** that John TUCKER's Family, Arrived from London, should be paid as follows, viz't: The three Youngest children to have 1/3 pr. Week each, the Eldest Boy, Twelve Years of Age, to go to Work and not to receive any Relief whatever from the Parish, nor any to the Mother; it was further **Resolved** that, should the Eldest Boy refuse to go to a place having been provided for him by the Vestry, I was in that case ordered to stop the Pay of the other three children.

Sarah EMERY's Child to have 2/6 p. Week instead of 2/- as heretofore.

Jane SAGE to have 1/6 p. Week do. 1/- do.

It was likewise **Resolved** that Fanny CO(O)MER & her Mother was to quit(t) the house where they are at present, to make room for Abigail LOVE & Ann HOOK.

It was likewise **Resolved** that Josiah D(R)URY, Son in Law to Tho's PRIDDY, if they continued in the House they at present live in, belonging to the Parish, that he should pay 1/- pr. Week Rent for the same. If he refuse to do so, I had Orders to put a Family there. **Ordered** to pay George MATHEWS Eight Shillings for provision had by Charlotte SPARKS during the time of her Illness.

It was likewise **Resolved** for the Present that John CARTER should pay only 1/- pr. Week towards the support of a child belonging to him, till he can get better Wages, he having a Wife & two small children, and that he is to pay three pence pr. Week besides, to pay of a Sum in arrears of One Pound fourteen Shillings due the 15th of June Instant.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, John BLINMAN, Doctor SCOBELL, Joel KEEL, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS & Wm. JAMES.

M.V. July 7 1816.

No Vestry held this Day.

M.V. Aug't 11 1816.

Monthly Vestry held this Day, Where it was **agreed** that a Shift should be Bought for Dinah BATH, and Clothing for Martha BEES' (late SALMON's) Girl, had by John CARTER; it was likewise **Ordered** that Jacob SPARKS should be Apprehended for Idleness & laying about in Stable, Out Houses etc.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Joel KEEL, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. JAMES.

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M.V. Sep'r 8 1816.

Monthly Vestry held this Day.

Book Examined by Doctor SCOBLE [*SCOBELL*] & James BOULTER. No other business done.

M.V. Octo'r 6 1816.

Sacrament Sunday. No Vestry held.

Octo'r 13 1816.

A Vestry held this Day, When it was **Agreed** that Abigail LOVE was to have a Shift, Betty HARRIS a Shift, Ann HOOK an Underpetty Coat.

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS, James BOULTER & Will'm JAMES.

M.V. Nov'r 3 1816.

Monthly Vestry held this Day, When it was **agreed** that Mary AISHMAN was to have a Pettycoat, Mary PRIDDY a pair of Shoes, Martha BULL to have 3d. pr. Week more, Ann HOOK nothing Allowed further; Ruth JAMES, Widow, made Application for Rent - not Allowed.

Josiah D(R)URY is to pay 6d. pr. Week for his House from this day.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, John BLINMAN, Joel KEEL, Jonah [*Jonas*] WEEKS, James BOULTER.

M.V. Dec'r 1 1816.

Monthly Vestry - none held on Account of my Indisposition.

M.V. Dec'r 29 1816.

Monthly Vestry - Sacrament Su'y. No Vestry held.

M.V. Janu'y 26 1817.

Monthly Vestry called this Day. No Business done.

M.V. Febru'y 23 1817.

Monthly Vestry - no Business done.

M.V. March 23 1817.

Monthly Vestry - no Business done.

High Littleton Church, March 25th 1817.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, and from thence adjourned to the House of Mr Thomas FLOWER, the Deputy Overseer, at Hallatrow, the preceding accounts of the Overseers were examined and **approved**, and the Weekly Calendar in the succeeding Page was **resolved** on.

Resolved that Mr Thomas JAMES and Farmer George TUCKER be continued in their office of Churchwardens.

Resolved that John STICKLER, for Mr Jno. Richmond HILL's House and Estate and Jonathan PARSONS, for Mr John PARSONS's House and Estate called Ridens, be appointed Overseers for the Year ensuing, and that Mr Thomas FLOWER be appointed as the Deputy on the same terms as the preceding Year.

Resolved that the Overseer do prepare a List of the several Estates and persons liable to take Apprentices and of all such children who are of a sufficient age to put to such Estates and persons and that he calls a special Vestry for the purpose of allotting such apprentices to the different persons and Estates, to be holden at the Parish Church on Monday the 22nd of Apr. next at 12 o'Clock at Noon.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, P. Edward SCOBELL, T.C. DUDDEN, Tho's JAMES, James BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS, Joel KEEL.

Weekly Calendar as settled at the Annual Vestry, 25th March 1817.

		Weekly Pay		
		£.	s.	d.
AISHMAN Mary, Widow	H	2.	0	
BULL Martha, do.	HL	1.	6	
BRIMBLE Ann do.	HL	2.	0	
BRIMBLE Jane do.	HL	2.	0	
BOWDITCH Hester (a young Child)		1.	0	
BROWNING Ann's Child (Base-born)		2.	0	

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BROWNING Hannah, Widow	0. 6
CHIVERS Betty, Widow	1. 3
DIX William dec'ed (his 3 Children) at 1/3	3. 9
EDWARDS Martha, Widow (at Chelwood)	3. 0
EVANS Widow, 2 Child'n at 1/3	2. 6
EMERY Sarah's Child (Base-born)	2. 6
FLOWER Betty, Widow	1. 0 [Pd. 44 Wks. at 1/-, 8 at 1/3]
FRAPWELL Martha, Widow	2. 6
GREENLAND Rich'd's (dec'ed) Child	1. 0
HARRIS Mary	1. 8
HARRIS Betty	2. 6
HOOK Ann	1. 0
HOOK John & Woman to look after him	4. 0
HARRIS William	2. 0
HILBURD Mary's Child (Base-born)	2. 0
HOLBROOK Frances's Child (Base-born)	2. 0
HARRIS Sarah, Widow (at Frome)	2. 6
JAMES Betty's Child (Widow of Benj'n JAMES)	1. 3
LOVE Abigail, Widow	2. 6
LANSDOWN Thomas (dec'ed) Child, Infant	1. 3
LANSDOWN Rosetta [<i>Rosannah</i>]'s Child (Base-born)	2. 3 [Pd. 28 Wks. at 2/3, 24 at 2/-]
NEWBURY Eliz'th, infirm	1. 0
PRIDDY John's Child Rebecca, with Sarah CHIVERS	2. 0
do. do.	1. 0
PRIDDY Hannah, Widow	2. 0
PAIN James and Wife (Stanton Drew)	3. 0
SAGE Jane, Widow	1. 6
SAGE Betty's Child (Base-born)	1. 0
SNELLING Hannah, Widow 9d. & for Rent 6d.	1. 3
SMITH Sarah, Widow	1. 9
STICKLER Martha, Widow	2. 0
SMITH Martha	1. 0
SALMON Martha's Child (Base-born) Boy	2. 0
do. do. Girl	2. 0
SAGE Hannah's Child [<i>Boy</i>] (Base-born)	2. 0 [Pd. 8 Wks. only]
SAGE Hannah	1. 6 [Pd. 48 Wks. only]
SIMMONDS Widow's Child	1. 3
TUCKER Betty Dudden's Child (Base-born)	2. 3
TUCKER Joseph's Child	1. 3
VOWLES Sarah's two Children, 1/6 each	3. 0
WHITING Susanna, Widow, 2 Children at 1/3 each	2. 6
WHITING Mary, Widow (at Paulton)	1. 9
WYATT James (dec'ed) his 2 Children at 1/- each	2. 0
WILKINS James (belonging to Melksham Parish and repaid by that Parish)	2. 0 [Pd. 36 Wks. now Dead]
YOUNG Hannah, Widow, her Rent	0. 6
GORE Judith's Child (Base Born)	2. 0
One Week's pay to the Poor	£4.16.11
Amount of a Fortnight's pay to the Poor for the Year	2
beginning March 26 1817 to the 25th day of March 1818	£9.13.10

M.V. April 20 1817.

No Vestry held this day.

High Littleton Church, April 22nd 1817.

At a Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, and from thence adjourned to the house of Jacob MOGG Esq're, in consequence of the following Notice, Viz't:

"High Littleton, April 20th 1817. This is to give Notice that a Vestry will be holden in this Church on Tuesday next the 22nd of April instant at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of putting out

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such Children Apprentices to the several occupiers of Houses and Lands as are situated within the Parish of High Littleton in the County, as the Law directs, when all persons whom it may concern are requested to attend, by order of the general Vestry, Thomas FLOWER, Deputy Overseer."

It was **resolved** by a large majority of the persons attending such Vestry, that it was not expedient to put out apprentices.

[Sgd] Tho's FLOWER.

M.V. May 18 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this day,

Present: Mr Jacob MOGG, George TUCKER, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Wm. JAMES.

It was by the above **Agreed** that Three Pounds should be offered to Farmer [George] MILES about Joseph CANNING's [CANNARD]'s Illness, instead of the Bill as presented by him amounting to £3. 4/-, which was the next day Accepted by him rather than be at variance with his Parish. It was further **agreed** that, as soon as Chas. MARCHANT's two eldest Daughters should get them places, they should be properly Clothed, the same to be done with Widow [Sarah] VOWLES' Daughter Elizabeth, Charles MARCHANT's Son to have a Jacket bought him. [I/t] was likewise **agreed** that Martha SALMON's Son should have two Shirts, a Jackett and pair of Breech[e]s Bo't him. It was likewise **Ordered** that George RUSSEL[L], Butcher, should be summon'd in order to have his Examination taken concerning his Parish Settlement.

M.V. June 15 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this Day, When it was **agreed** that Sarah EMERY's Child should have 5/- for Clothes (for her Child), that Eliz'th VOWL[E]S should be Cloth'd, to enable her to go to Farmer Jonas WEEKS etc., that Mary PRIDDY should have Clothes, to fit her for Farmer [Joel] KEEL as a Servant, that Charles MARCHANT's family to be Relieved at the Discretion of the Overseer if no Work etc.

Present: Mr Jacob MOGG, James BOULTER, George TUCKER, Mr Tho's Col'r DUDDEN, Joel KEEL, Wm. JAMES.

M.V. July 13 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this day, When it was **agreed** that Rob't CHIVERS should have Two Shillings & sixpence pr. Week in lieu of Two Shillings as heretofore, Dinah BATH to have a pair of Shoes & that Charles MARCHANT's family to be Relieved at the Discretion of the Overseer when out of Work.

Only Doctor [Peter Edward] SCOBELL present.

M.V. August 10 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this Day,

Present: Mr [Richard] LANGFORD, Doctor SCOBELL & James BOULTER.

It was **agreed** that, in Consequence of Ben'n JONES's having left his Wife & Five Children to the Parish unprovided for, the Wife to have 2/- and the Five Chil'n 1/- each pr. Week.

It was **agre'd** that Edw'd BULL Junior's Daughter, gon[e] to Bath as a Servant, should have 10/- allow'd her to buy a Change of Linen etc.

It was **agreed** that Betty TUCKER, Widow, owing to her bad state of Health, should have during her Illness 2/6 in lieu of 2/- at present pd.

Aug't 24th 1817.

At a Vestry Convened this day at the Church, it was then **agreed** that, in Consequence of Wm. BRIMBLE, Coal Minor (*sic*), residing at Farnborough (*sic*), having left his Wife and three small Chil'n under Five Years of age on the Parish, it was **Ordered** that 4/- pr. Week should be allowed for them until he returns etc. but that no Rent was to be paid.

That Sarah SMITH was to continue where she at present is, or if she removes, the 1/- at present allowed for the payment of her Rent to be taken up. That Ann BRIMBLE is allowed a pair of Shoes.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr Jacob MOGG, Dr SCOBELL, Mr Tho's C. DUDDEN, Mr [Richard] COX, Joel KEEL, George TUCKER & James BOULTER.

Note: Wm. BRIMBLE have come home of course, no allowance have been paid his Wife & family.

M.V. Sept'r 7 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this day, when it was **agreed** that Ben'n JONES's Wife and Family shall be paid Five shillings pr. Week in lieu of Seven, having every reason to think they know where he is and that they receive money from him &, should he not return to his Wife & family very shortly, the Parish would Advertise him.

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At the same time it was **Ordered** that Charles MARCHANT's Wife & family was to receive at the Discretion of the Overseer and, if they refuse to go to Work, he is to give them no relief whatever, he having a constant place of Work at Four shillings pr. Week and his Dinner and Supper.

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr Jacob MOGG, Dr SCOBELL, James BOULTER.

October 6 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this day at Tho's FLOWER's School Room, where it was **agreed** that the Weekly Callender (*sic*) was to remain as it was before but that Rosette [*Rosannah*] LANSDOWN's Child's pay was to be reduced to Two Shillings pr. Week in lieu of Two shillings and threepence as before, on account of George GANGE's being gon[e] to America. Chas. MARCHANT's Boy to have a Jacket & Trousers B't him. Wm. BROOKS' Quarter's Rent to be paid for him up to the 29 day of Sep'r, he being in Prison & only came home the 28 day of Sep'r. No rent to be paid for Ben'n JONES, nothing allowed to Thos. TUCKER's Widow.

Present: Mr Rd. LANGFORD, Mr Rd. COX, George TUCKER, Dr SCOBELL, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. JAMES.

M.V. Nov'r 2 1817.

Monthly Vestry Called this Day, no Business done.

M.V. Nov'r 30 1817.

Monthly Vestry held this day, no Business done.

After leaving the Church it was **agreed** to give Joel BRIMBLE during his Illness 5/- pr. Week instead of 4/-, by Jonas WEEKS, Joel KEEL & G. TUCKER.

M.V. Dec'r 28 1817.

Monthly Vestry - it being Sacrament Sunday, no Vestry Called.

MV Janu'y 23 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this day,

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Mr Jacob MOGG, James BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER & Wm. JAMES,

When it was **agreed** that Mary AISHMAN is to have a Shift, Dinah BATH a Shift, Betty FLOWER to have 3d. pr. Week added to her Weekly pay, Hannah PRIDDY to have a Shift & a pair of Shoes, Uriah TUCKER's Wife to have 1/- pr. Week & his two Chil'n to have 1/6 each, making together 4/- pr. Week, and Tho's PRIDDY & his Wife to have 3/6 pr. Week, & Ben'n PRIDDY's Wife to go to Bristol to have the benefit of Mr GOLDWYER's skill on her Eyes, she to have 2/6 pr. Week for her support during the time of her stay there, unless she can be got into the Eye Infirmary. Sam'l EVANS to be employed (*sic*) by Mr Tho's C. DUD[D]JEN till he can get other Work; John HOOK, a shirt.

V. held this day Febru'y 8 1818.

Vestry held this Day,

Present: Mr LANGFORD, Mr Jacob MOGG, Mr Tho's C. DUDDEN, George TUCKER,

When it was **agreed** to give Josiah DURY's family proper support until he can get Employ, as well as to Relief (*sic*) other persons who may be out of Employment according to my own Discretion.

M.V. Febru'y 22 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this Day,

Mr Jacob MOGG present.

It was **ordered** by him to Buy a Shirt for Wm. HARDING.

High Littleton Church, March 25th 1818.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence adjourned to the House of Tho's FLOWER, the Deputy Overseer, at Hallatrow, the preceding accounts of the Overseers were examined and **approv'd**, and the Weekly Callender (*sic*) in the succeeding Page was **resolved on**.

Resolved that Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN and Farmer George TUCKER be appointed Churchwardens for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Farmer Jonas WEEKS, for the Estate of John PURNELL Esq're and George SPREAT, for his House etc. (late READ's) be appointed Overseers for the Year ensuing, and that Mr Thomas FLOWER be appointed Deputy Overseer on the same terms as the last year.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Richard COX, Tho's JAMES, Joel KEEL, George TUCKER, Jas. BOULTER.

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Weekly Callender as settled at the Annual Vestry, 25th March 1818 to the 25th day of March 1819.

			Weekly Pay		
			£.	s.	d.
1	A(I)SHMAN Mary	H	2	0	
2	BULL Martha	HL	1	6	
3	BRIMBLE Ann, Widow	HL	2	0	
4	BRIMBLE Jane, Widow	HL	2	0	
5	BOWDITCH Hester		1	0	
6	BROWNING Ann's Chill. (<i>sic</i>)	B	2	0	
7	BROWNING Han'h's Rent		0	6	
8	CHIVERS Betty, Widow		1	3	
10/1	DIX Jane's 3 Chil'n 1/6 each pr. Week		4	6	
12	EDWARDS Martha		3	0	
13	EVANS Widow [<i>Sarah</i>]'s 2 Chil'n 1/3 each pr. Week		2	6	
15	FLOWER Betty		1	3	
16	FRAPWELL Martha		2	6	
17	GREENLAND Rich'd Child		1	0	
18	GORE Judeth's Child	B	2	0	
19	HARRIS Mary		1	6	
20	HARRIS Betty		2	6	[<i>Pd. 40 Wks. now dead</i>]
21	HOOK Ann		1	0	
22	HOOK John		4	0	[<i>Pd. 8 Wks. now dead</i>]
23	HARRIS Wil'm		2	0	
24	HILBERT(S) Mary's Child	B	2	0	
25	HOLBROOK Frances's Child	B	2	0	
26	HARRIS Sarah		2	6	
27	JAMES Betty's Child		1	3	
28	LOVE Abigail		2	6	
29	LANSDOWN Tho's's Child		1	3	
30	LANSDOWN Rosa'h Child	B	2	0	
31	NEWBURY Elizabeth		1	0	
32/3	PRIDDY John' Child Rebecca, paid to Sarah CHIVERS		1	0	
35	PAIN James & his Wife 1/6 each		3	0	
36	PRIDDY Hannah		2	0	
37	SAGE Jane		1	6	
38	SAGE Betty's Child		1	0	
39	SNELLING Hannah		0	9	[<i>Pd. 16 Wks. at 9d, 36 at 1/-</i>]
40	SMITH Sarah		1	9	[<i>Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/9, 48 at 2/-</i>]
41	do. do. her Rent		0	6	
42	SALMON Martha's Boy		2	0	
43	do. do. Girl		2	0	
46	SIMMONS Wid(d)ow [<i>Eleanor</i>]'s Child		1	3	
47	TUCKER Betty Dudden's Child	B	2	3	
48	VOWLES's Sarah's two Chil'n, 1/6 each pr. Week		3	0	
49	WHITING Sus'h's two Chil. [<i>Tamer & Hepsiba</i>] 1/3 each do.		2	6	[<i>Pd. Hepsiba for 48 Wks. only</i>]
50	WHITING Mary (Paulton)		2	0	
51	WYATT's Mary's two Chil'n [<i>Boy & Girl</i>] 1/- each pr. Week		2	0	[<i>Pd. Girl for 48 Wks. only</i>]
52	YOUNG [<i>Widow</i>] Hannah's Rent pr. Week		0	6	[<i>Pd. 6 Wks. only</i>]
9	CHIVERS Rob't		2	0	[<i>Pd. 16 Wks. at 2/-, 36 at 2/6</i>]
34	FORD Ben'n's Daughter, a cripple		1	0	
			£4.	6	6
14	EMERY Sarah's Child		2	6	
44	STICKLAND Martha, Widow		2	0	
45	SMITH Martha		1	0	
Amount of Weekly Callender			£4.12.	0	
46	CHIVERS Sarah		2	0	
Whole Amount of One Week's pay			£4.14.	0	

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M.V. April 19 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this day,

Present: Mr Jacob MOGG, Mr Tho's C. DUDDEN, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS.

It was then **agreed** that Sarah SMITH is to have 3d. pr. Week added to her pay, that is to say 2/- in lieu of 1/9 p. Week as before;

Mary WHITING (at Paulton) to have a Shift Bought her and Josiah DURY to have a Part of the Garden allotted to him, belonging to the House where he & Tho's PRIDDY lives.

M.V. May 17 1818.

Monthly Vestry - Sacrament Sunday, no Vestry called.

M.V. June 14 1818.

Monthly Vestry held at Church this Day, when it was **agreed** that Sarah SMITH & Han'h PRIDDY are to have a Callico Shift Bought them, and that Martha BEES (late SALMON)'s Child should have some linen & Cloath bought for it, being nearly naked.

Josiah DURY applied for linen for his two Children; it was not granted, thinking he had quite enough, viz't Six shillings pr. Week.

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, Stephen HUTTON & Wm. JAMES.

M.V. July 12 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this Day,

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, Wm. JAMES.

When it was **agreed** that Robert CHIVERS's Weekly pay shall be raised from 2/- to 2/6 pr. Week, and David BRIMBLE, being in Prison, his Quarter's Rent, viz't 15/-, should be paid to Wm. JAMES, and 3/- was to be given to James THATCHER's Wife & five Children, they being in great Distress;

it was likewise **agreed** that Han'h SNELLING's Weekly pay should be 1/- in lieu of 9d. pr. Week, and that Martha SMITH and Ann WHITING is to go to the Poor House at St. Stephen's Hill.

Aug't 4 1818.

The following Orders were given by the Rev'd Mr BARTER & the Rev'd Mr DOVETON, Magistrates (*sic*):- that the Parish of High Littleton should in future pay to Charles MARCHANT's family Three Shillings pr. Week &, for every day he shall be out of Work, he is to be paid One Shilling pr. Week besides.

Dinah BATH's Son Abr'm to have a Jacket(t), a pair of Trousers & a Shirt, with a Shilling at the time, & that a place of Work should be found for him, & that, on his neglecting the Work, he is to be brought before a Magistrate & sent to Prison.

Josiah DURY was Ordered to go to the Works proposed by Farmer BOULTER, to keep Birds & Sheep at 6d. pr. Day & the Parish to make up the Deficiency, if any, of 6/- p. Week, his present pay from the Parish; he was to apply to the Monthly Vestry for two Shifts for his two Chil'n.

Francis JAMES was refer[r]ed to the Monthly Vestry for them to determine what is to be done for him.

M.V. Aug't 9 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this day, When it was **agreed** that Chas. MARCHANT's family was to be relieved with Caution till he is able to Work, and not to go to the full extent of the Order given by Magistrates at Temple Inn, thinking the Order then given was extravagant, and to have another hearing at Old Down;

Josiah DURY's two Children to have a Callico Shift each of them.

Rob't CHIVERS applied for a Blanket etc.; he was **ordered** to wait till the Winter season commenced.

Rob't HOLLOWAY demanded a Sum of Money, viz't 20/-, for the keep of his Son in law Isaac GREEN and Attendance on him while Ill for Six Weeks, when at the same time he was Ill only 14 Days; his Demand was not complied with, he then threatened to go away and leave his own Children to the Parish.

Catharine SCRAGGS, the Daugh'r of Jeremiah BUSH, with two children, applied for Relief, her Husband having left he[r] three Weeks since & she not having heard from him nor knew where he was gon[e], but believe he was in Oxford; no relief was granted her.

David BRIMBLE's Wife & four Chil. (he in Prison) applied for more Relief, when it was **agreed** she should have 4/- pr. Week in lieu of 3/- as have been paid her since her Husband went to Prison.

Jacob GREGORY's two Children is to have 1/6 pr. Week in lieu of 1/- pr. Week as paid them up to this time.

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Mr COX, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, James BOULTER, Stephen HUTTON & Wm. JAMES.

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M.V. Sep'r 6 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this day,

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, Mr Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jonas WEEKS, George TUCKER, Stephen HUTTON, John BLINMAN.

It was then **agreed** that Charles MARCHANT's two Youngest Children should have 1/6 each pr. Week during their Father's stay in Prison, and that his Wife & two Daughters should go to Work;

That Josiah DURY, his Wife & two Chil'n should have only 4/- pr. Week and he to do what he could;

That John WILKINS & his family should have 6/- given them for this Week only, unless his Foot should prove worse.

M.V. October 4 1818.

Monthly Vestry - no Business done, it being Sacrament Sunday.

M.V. Nov'r 1 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this Day,

Present: Doctor SCOBELL, George TUCKER, Mr Stephen HUTTON, Mr James BOULTER.

It was then **agreed** that Sarah SMITH should have a pair of Shoes;

Rob't CHIVERS's Daughter to have 6d. pr. Week for the Rent of Rob't CHIVERS's Lodging.

Chas. MARCHANT was Ordered to Work, he being thought to be recovered from his Illness and, if Out of Work, to be relieved according to the Discretion of the Overseer.

It was **agreed** that some step should be immediately taken to find out Wm. SCRAGGS, supposed to be in some part of Oxford, in the following Week, it was **determined** that James BOULTER and Jonas WEEKS should go to Oxford in se[a]rch of the said Wm. SCRAGGS.

M.V. Nov'r 29 1818.

Monthly Vestry held this Day at Church,

Present: Jonas WEEKS, Stephen HUTTON, George TUCKER, Wm. JAMES & George SPREAT.

An Application was made by John CARTER, nearly Blind, to enable him to go as an Out patient to the Eye Infirmary at Bristol under the care of Dr GOLDWYAR. It was **agreed** by the above that he should have 5/- given him for present support, and that his two children should have, during his stay at Bristol, 1/6 pr. Week each towards their Maintenance, their Mother being under Confinement for Burglary.

The Expences attending the journey to Oxford by Jonas WEEKS & James BOULTER to apprehend Wm. SCRAGGS & the bringing him down to have his Examination taken as touching his Settlement, he having left his Wife & two Children chargeable to our Parish, his Parish proves to be at St. Michael's Parish in Oxford, he was fully commit[t]ed to Shepton Prison till the Quarter Sess(ess)ions, the Expence of this journey amounted to £9.19.10½ as above stated and **agreed** to, likewise George SPREAT's Bill for taking Wm. SCRAGGS to prison with an Extra G[u]ard & travel[l]ing expence **agreed** to, amounting to £1. 3. 9.

M.V. Dec'r 27 1818.

Monthly Vestry - none held, it being Sacrament Sunday.

M.V. Jan. 24 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at Church,

Present: Tho's Collier DUDDEN, John BLINMAN & Jonas WEEKS,

when it was **agreed** That Josiah CHIVERS should have a Blanket, that Tho's STICKLER's family shall have 4/- pr. Week during his present Illness;

That Rob't HOLLOWAY['s] pay of 2/6 pr. Week should be taken up & that he is capable of some kind of Work;

That John CARTER's Wife & young Child shall have 1/6 pr. Week during her Husband's inability of Work, independend (*sic*) of the 1/6 pr. Week for his two other Ch(h)ildren;

That Abigail LOVE shall have a Cal(l)ico Shift and Martha EDWARDS to have a Bed Gown & a pair of Last Shoes; That Ben'n JONES shall have a Flanill Shirt Bought him.

Josiah DURY applied but no further Relief granted him.

Wm. CLEEVE[CLEAVES] applied for Relief but none granted.

M.V. Feb'y 21 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at Church,

Present: James BOULTER & Stephen HUTTON.

It was by them **agreed** that John WILKINS should be paid one other Week(s)'s Relief if required by him, he having been very Ill.

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High Littleton Church, March 25th 1819.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence adjourned to the House of Thomas FLOWER, the Deputy Overseer, at Hallatrow, the preceding accounts of the Overseers were examined and **approv'd** and the Weekly Callender (*sic*) in the succeeding Page was **resolved** on.

Resolved that Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN and Farmer George TUCKER be appointed Churchwardens for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr [*Richard*] LANGFORD, for the Estate in his Occupation and James BUSH Jun'r, for late Mrs [*Mary*] FLOWER's Estate, be appointed as Overseer for the Year insuing (*sic*), and that Thomas FLOWER be appointed Deputy Overseer on the same terms as the last Year.

[*Sgd*] Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Rich'd COX, Jas. CRANG, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jas. BOULTER, Edw'd DOWLING, John BLINMAN.

Several poor persons having applied this day at our Annual Vestry for Rent to be paid by the Payers of our Parish, it is **Resolved** by us, whose Names are Signed as above, that no Rent shall be paid, fearing it's becoming a very great Evil(l), and that, if Incouraged, it will put a stop to future Industry. It is **Resolved** further that Thomas FLOWER, Acting Overseer, do Sum[m]ons Rob't HOLLOWAY before the Magistrates, for him to shew cause why he have left his Wife and two Children.

Weekly Callender as settled at the Annual Vestry,
from the 25th day of March 1819 to the 25th day of March 1820.

		Weekly Pay			
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
1	AISHMAN Mary	H	2. 0		
2	BULL Martha	HL	1. 6	[Pd. 48 Wks. - Dead]	
3	BRIMBLE Ann	do.	2. 0		
4	BRIMBLE Jane	do.	2. 0		
5	BOWDITCH Hester	H	1. 0		
6	BROWNING Ann's Child	H (Bd.)	2. 0		
7	BROWNING Han'h	H	0. 6		
8	BATH Dinah	HL	2. 6		
9	CHIVERS Betty, Widow	HL	1. 3		
10	CHIVERS Rob't	HL	<u>2. 6</u>	17. 3	
11	CHIVERS Sarah	HL	2. 0		
12	DIX Jane's Three Chil. 1/6 each	HL	4. 6		
13	EDWARDS Martha (Chelwood)	HL (<i>sic</i>)	3. 0		
14	EVANS's Widow [<i>Sarah</i>]'s two Chil. 1/3 each	HL	2. 6		
15	EMERY's Sarah's Child	Far'n	2. 6		
16	FLOWER Betty, Widow	HL	1. 3		
17	FRAPWELL Martha	Bristol	2. 6	[Pd. 13 Wks - died 18 Jun]	
18	FORD Ben'n's Child	Far'n	1. 0	[Pd. 39 Wks. - Dead]	
19	GREENLAND Rich'd Child	Tim'by	<u>1. 0</u>	1. 0. 3	
20	GORE Judith's Child	H B	2. 0		
21	HARRIS Mary	H	1. 6		
22	HOOK Ann	H	1. 0		
23	HARDING Wm.	HL	2. 6		
24	HARRIS Wm.	Far'n	2. 0	[Pd. 38 Wks. - Dead]	
25	HILBERT Mary's Child	Litton B	2. 0	[Pd. 20 Wks. only]	
26	HOLBROOK Francess' Child	Marks'y B	2. 0	[Pd. 20 Wks. only]	
27	HARRIS Sarah, Widow	Bristol	2. 6		
28	JAMES Betty's Child	H	<u>1. 3</u>	16. 9	
29	LOVE Abigail	H	2. 6		
30	LANSDOWN Rosa'h's Child	Bristol B	2. 0		
31	LANSDOWN Tho's' Child	Paul.	1. 3		
32	NEWBURY Eliz'h	Far'n	1. 0		
33	PRIDDY John's Child Rebec[c/a]	HL	1. 0		
34	PAIN James & Wife	SD	4. 0		
35	PRIDDY Hannah	H	2. 0		
36	SAGE Jane	HL	1. 6		
37	SAGE Betty's Child	HL	1. 0		
38	SNELLING Han'h	HL	1. 0		

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39	SMITH Sarah	HL	2. 0	
40	do. do. her Rent	HL	<u>0. 6</u>	19. 9
41	SALMON (now BEES) Martha's Girl	C	2. 0	
42	STICKLAND Martha	HL	2. 0	[Pd. 6 Wks. d. 3 May age 88]
43	SMITH Martha	HL	1. 0	[Pd. 10 Wks. - Dead]
44	SIMMONS Widow's Child	Radstock	1. 3	
45	TUCKER B. Dudden's Child	HL B	2. 3	
46	VOWL/E/S Sarah's two Chil. 1/6 each	C. Hill	3. 0	
47	WHITING Sus'h's Child Tamer	HL	1. 3	
48	WHITING Mary, Widow	(Paulton)	2. 0	[Pd. 4 Wks. died 18 Apr]
49	BULL Edw'd	do.	2. 0	
50	TUCKER Jane	Clutton	1. 0	
51	COLLINS Parfitt's Widow & Son	Far'n	1. 6	
52	PRIDDY Tho's & Wife 2/- & 1/6 each	HL	<u>3. 6</u>	<u>1. 2. 9</u>
	One Week's pay			£4.16. 9
				<u>2</u>
	Two Weeks' pay			£9.13. 6

M.V. April 18 1819.

Monthly Vestry - none held, it being Sacrament Sunday.

May 16 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church, no Business done.

June 13 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

Present: Mr LANGFORD, George TUCKER, James BOULTER, Mr Jos'h LANSDOWN, Wm. JAMES, Stephen HUTTON & George SPREAT,

When it was **agreed** that James TUCKER's Wife should be paid 1/6 pr. Week for looking after Uriah TUCKER, down in the Feavor (*sic*) Eight Weeks past & that she is to be paid the same during the Continuance of his present Illness.

It was further **agreed** that the Parish should, from the 24th day of June ins't, take of James BOULTER the two Houses situate opposite where the 10 Mile Stone used to stand, at Five Pounds each pr. Year, with the Garden Ground thereunto belonging, to be appropriated to the use of Four Families, two to each House and the Garden Ground to be Divided into four equal parts, and that John CARTER should pay James BOULTER the rent due to the 24th day of June In't, viz. 1.17. 0 to Lady day, 1. 5. 0 to 24 June, out of the sale of a Clock and a Table; if any Deficiency should be, the Parish would make it up, on Account of John CARTER's being Blind.

M.V. July 11 1819.

Monthly Vestry called this day, no Business done.

M.V. August 8 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

Present: Dr SCOBELL, Stephen HUTTON & Jonas WEEKS,

When it was **Ordered** that Ann WHITING shall have 1/6 pr. Week, and that Wm. SPARKS's pay is to be reduced to 3/- and that it is time he began to think about Work etc. after this Week.

M.V. Sep'r 5 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church, no Business done.

M.V. October 3 1819.

Monthly Vestry - it being Sacrament Sunday, no Vestry was Called.

M.V. Octo'r 30th 1819.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

when the Two prece(e)ding Months' Account was Examined and Approved.

Present: Tho's C. DUDDEN, Stephen HUTTON, George TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS.

It was then **agreed** that James THATCHER's Family should have Twenty Shillings allowed them, on Account of his Wife's long Illness, with but little Work and Six small Chil'n & in great Distress.

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M.V. Novem'r 28 1819.

No Vestry held this day.

M.V. Decem'r 26 1819.

Monthly Vestry - it being Sacrament Sunday, no Vestry Called.

M.V. Janu'y 23 1820.

Monthly Vestry held at the Church this Day,

Present: Mr Joseph LANSDOWN, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Wm. JAMES, Mr Stephen HUTTON, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Joseph HARRIS,

When it was **agreed** that a Blanket & a Tin Sauspan (*sic*) should be Bo't for Wm. HUMPHREYS' Family during the Confinement of her Husband and till they go away, the things to be then returned to the Overseer. Martha SALMON's Child to have a Strong Frock Bo't her & two Shifts.

It was likewise **agreed** that John JAMES's Seven Weeks Rent at 1/6 pr. Week should be paid to Ann LANSDOWN & so to continue to pay his Rent until he is able to go to Work, he having had his Leg broken.

Betty FLOWER is **appointed** to look after Israel DODD's family of 5 Chil'n, for which she is to be paid 9d. pr. Week adva[n]ce to his present pay, viz't from 1/3 to 2/- pr. Week, as long as she continues in that Service.

M.V. Febru'y 20 1820.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

Present: Jonas WEEKS, Stephen HUTTON and Joseph HARRIS,

When it was **agreed** that Rich'd TUCKER's Wife and three Children should be paid 1/6 each for the present. It was further **agreed** that Mr [Richard] LANGFORD should have the Opinion of Councel (*sic*) on the Examination of Wm. SHORE (Taylor), Farnborough (*sic*), as touching the Settlement of Rich'd TUCKER, lately Deceased, and should it be proved that the Family do belong to High Littleton, in that Case the Overseers of Temple Cloud should be repaid what have been Advanced to the family of R'd TUCKER. It was further **determined** that Mr LANGFORD should sell out of the Funds, the Property Invested there by the Parish of High Littleton, with a View to imploy it to a better use in future. It was further **agreed** th[at] Chas. MARCHANT's second Daughter should have a Petty Coat, and two Cal(l)ico Shifts should be bought her, to fit her for a place.

High Littleton Church, March 27th 1820.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, and from thence adjourned to the House of Thomas FLOWER, the Deputy Overseer, at Hallatrow, the prece(e)ding accounts of the Overseer were examined and **approved**, and the Weekly Callender (*sic*) in the succe[e]ding Page was **resolved** on.

Resolved that Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN and George TUCKER be appointed Church Wardens for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Jacob MOGG Esq'r, for his House & Ground in High Littleton and Mr Thomas JAMES, for his Estate called Brick-house in Hallatrow, be appointed as Overseer for the Year ensuing, and that Thomas FLOWER be appointed Deputy Overseer on the same terms as the last Year.

[Sgd] Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph LANSDOWN, Step'n HUTTON, Jas. BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS.

28th March 1820.

Weekly Callender as agreed on at the Annual Vestry on the 27th day of March
for the Year begin[n]ing March 26th 1820 and ending the 25th day of March 1821.

		s. d.	£.	s. d.
1	A(I)SHMAN Mary	2.	0	[Pd. 4 Wks. only]
2	BRIMBLE Ann	2.	0	
3	BRIMBLE Jane	2.	0	
4	BOWDITCH Hester	1.	0	
5	BROWNING Ann's Child	2.	0	
6	BROWNING Hannah's Rent	0.	6	
7	BATH Dinah	2.	6	
8	BULL Edw'd Senior (Reduced to [blank])	1.	0	
9	CHIVERS Betty	1.	3	[Pd. 20 Wks. at 1/3, 8 at 1/6 - Dead]
10	CHIVERS Rob't	3.	0	
11	CHIVERS Sarah	2.	0	19. 3
12	COLLINS Mary	1.	6	
13	CARTER John's Wife & family, he Blind	5.	6	

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14	DIX Jane's three Chil. 1/6 each	4. 6	
15	EDWARDS Martha	3. 0	[Pd. 24 Wks. - Dead]
16	EVANS Widow's two Chil. 1/3 each	2. 6	
17	EMERY Sarah's Child	1. 6	[Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/6, 48 at 2/-]
18	FLOWER Betty	1. 3	
19	GREENLAND Rich's Child	0. 6	[Pd. 12 Wks. at 6d, 40 at 1/-]
20	GREGORY Jacob's two Chil. 1/3 each	2. 6	
21	HARRIS Mary	1. 6	
22	HOOK Ann	1. 0	
23	HARDING Wm.	3. 0	[Pd. 36 Weeks - Dead]
24	HARRIS Sarah	<u>2. 6</u>	1.10. 9
25	HOLLOWAY Rob't 's two Chil'n 9d. each	1. 6	[Pd. 4 Wks. at 1/6, 48 at 2/-]
26	JAMES Betty's Child	1. 3	
27	LOVE Abigail	2. 6	
28	LANSDOWN Tho's's Child	1. 3	
29	LANSDOWN Ros'h's Child	2. 0	
30	NEWBURY Eliz'th	1. 0	
31	PRIDDY Rebecca, Daughter of John PRIDDY	1. 0	
32	PAIN James & Wife, 2/- each	4. 0	
33	PRIDDY Han'h	2. 6	
34	PRIDDY Tho's 2/-, his Wife 1/6	3. 6	is
35	SAGE Jane	1. 6	
36	SNELLING Han'h	1. 0	
37	SMITH Sarah	2. 0	
38	SMITH do. her Rent	<u>0. 6</u>	1. 5. 6
39	SALMON Martha's Child	2. 0	
40	SIMMONS Widow's Daughter	1. 3	
41	SIMMONS Judith's Child	1. 6	
42	STICKLER Tho's	4. 0	[Pd. 20 Wks. at 4/- - Dead, Widow & family 32 at 5/-]
43	TUCKER B. D.'s Child	2. 3	[Pd. 14 Wks. at 2/3, 38 at 1/9]
44	TUCKER Jane	1. 0	
45	TUCKER Uriah's two Chil. 2/- [each], 4/-, to Hester HUTTON 1/- each for looking after them 2/-	6. 0	
46	TUCKER Rich'd, Widow & three Chil. 1/6 each	6. 0	
47	VOWL/E/S Sarah's two Chil'n, 1/6 is	3. 0	
48	WHITING Tamer, Daughter of Susanah	1. 3	
49	WHITING Ann	<u>1. 0</u>	1. 9. 3
		£5. 2. 9	[adds to 5. 4. 9]
50	PALMER John	<u>3. 0</u>	
	One Week's Perminant (sic) pay	£5. 4. 9	[adds to 5. 7. 9]

April 30 1820.

Monthly Vestry held at the Church this day after Divine Service,
When it [was] **agreed** that Sarah EMERY's Child should be paid 2/- pr. Week in lieu of 1/6, as was agreed on at Lady-day last. And that Rob't HOLLOWAY's two Children should have 1/- each pr. Week in lieu of 9d. each, as was agreed on at Lady-day Vestry; that Mary COLLINS's Claim of 6d. pr. Week advanced was refused. Edw'd BULL not attending the Monthly Vestry, his pay to Remain as reduced at Lady-day. It was further **determined** that Israel DODD should not have more than 1/- pr. Week Allow'd for the Washing the Linen of his Family, he being in constant Employ at 12 Shillings pr. Week, the Reduction to take place from the 29th day of April Instant.

Present: Mr Richard COX, James BOULTER, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS & Stephen HUTTON.

M.V. May 28 1820.

Monthly Vestry - no business done, it being Sacrament Sunday.

M.V. June 25 1820.

Monthly Vestry held at the Church this day,

Present: Mr Joseph LANSDOWN & Mr Stephen HUTTON,

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When it was **agreed** that Rich'd GREENLAND's Child should have her Weekly pay raised from 6d. pr. Week to One Shilling pr. Week. It was likewise **agreed** that Sam'l BULL's Child should be allowed 1/6 pr. Week, he being unable to Work by having his Back broken several Months since and his Weekly pay from his Club being shortened (or reduced) to 4/- pr. Week. It was further **agreed** that Josiah DURY's Weekly pay should be reduced from 4/-, as at present, to 2/- pr. Week, he being in a place of Work at 8/- pr. Week.

M.V. July 23 1820.

Monthly Vestry Called, no Business done.

M.V. Aug't 20 1820.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,
Stephen HUTTON present,

When it was **ordered** that Betty CHIVERS, Widow, should have 1/6 pr. Week in lieu of 1/3, her present pay; Martha EDWARDS, living at Chelwood, to have a Bed gown, a Cal(l)ico Shift and a Neck Han[d]kerchief Bought her; the Wife and three small Children of Tho's STICKLER, lately Dead, to have 5/- pr. Week in lieu of 4/-, their present pay.

M.V. Septem'r 17 1820.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,
Present: Stephen HUTTON.

[Nothing else minuted]

M.V. Octo'r 15 1820.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

When it was **agreed** that the 2/- pr. Week should no longer be paid to Josiah DURY's fam'y, he now being in Constant Work at Eight or Nine Shillings pr. Week.

It was further **agreed**, on Account of Wm. SMITH's Wife having been Delivered of Three Children at a Birth, that he should have 20/- given him to aleveate (*sic*) in part the Distress he is in on that Account.

It was further **agreed** that *[Thomas]* CHIVERS, living at Timsbury with a large Family & being brought to great Distress throug[h] Illness, should be allowed 10/-. It was likewise **agreed** that in Co[n]sideration of Wm. Jones BURDETT Esq'r having Allowed Wm. HARDEN *[HARDING]* to Continue in his House during his Life without paying any Rent, that the Parish do pay 2/6 pr. Year as the Lord's Rent and that One Year is now due.

Present: Mr Rich'd LANGFORD, Jonas WEEKS, James BOULTER, Mr Jacob MOGG, Mr Joseph LANSDOWN, Joseph HARRIS.

M.V. Novem'r 12 1820.

Monthly Vestry held this day at the Church,

When it was detirmined (*sic*) that the Poor House Wall (wher[e] Tho's PRIDDY lives) having given way, should be repaired and the House Thatched, otherways the whole House will be down; it was likewise **agreed** that Sarah HARRIS, Widow (now living at Bristol) should have Ten Shillings allowed her to Buy Linen & other necessities etc.

Present: James BOULTER, Stephen HUTTON & Jonas WEEKS.

M.V. Dec'r 10 1820.

Monthly Vestry Called this day, no Business done.

M.V. Janu'y 7 1821.

Monthly Vestry held this day at Church,

Present: Mr Joseph LANSDOWN, Mr Joseph HARRIS, George TUCKER, Edw'd DOWLING,

When it was **agreed** that Twenty Shillings should be given to Joseph RAPPS' Wife & Child, to Convey them to her Friends at Plymouth, He being Inlisted into the Portsmouth Division of Marines. It was further **agreed** that Martha SALMON's (now BEES) Child should have a frock, a pet[t]icoat & two Cal(l)ico Shifts bought her, she being nearly Naked.

M.V. Febru'y 4 1821.

Monthly Vestry called this day, no Business done.

M.V. March 4 1821.

Monthly Vestry called this day, none held.

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High Littleton, March 27 1821.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence adjourned to the House of Tho's FLOWER, assistant Overseer, at Hallatrow, **Resolved** that Tho's Collier DUDDEN and Joseph LANSDOWN be appointed Churchwardens for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Joseph HARRIS (for his Dwelling House & Lands) and Edward DOWLING for Mr LANGFORD's Estate (late KEELE's) be appointed Overseers for the Year ensuing and that Thomas FLOWER be appointed Assistant Overseer on the same terms as in the last Year.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Rich'd COX, Step'n HUTTON, Jas. BOULTER, Jonas WEEKS, John BLINMAN, Wm. JAMES, George TUCKER.

High Littleton Church, March 27th 1821.

At the Vestry holden this [day] in the Parish Church of High Littleton, and from thence adjourned to the House of Thomas FLOWER, the Deputy Overseer, at Hallatrow, the prece(e)ding accounts of the Overseers were examined and **approved**, and the Weekly Callender (*sic*) in the succe[e]ding Page was **resolved** on.

[Not signed].

Weekly Callender agreed on at the Annual Vestry on the 27th day of March,
for the Year begin[n]ing March 26th 1821 and ending the 25th day of March 1822.

		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1	BULL Sam'l's Child	(2/- in pencil)	1.	6			
2	BRIMBLE Ann (Widow)	(2/- in pencil)	1.	6			
3	BRIMBLE Jane		1.	6			
4	BROWNING Ann's Child	B	2.	0			
5	BROWNING Han'h's Rent		0.	6			
6	BATH Dinah		2.	6			
7	BULL Edw'd Sen(en)ior		1.	6			
8	CHIVERS Rob't & Wife 2/- each and 6d. for Rent		4.	6			
9	COLLINS Mary		1.	0			
10	CARTER John's family of 4 Chil., he Dark		5.	6			
11	DIX Jane's three Chil'n		3.	6	1.	5.	6
12	EVANS Widow, One Child		1.	3			
13	EMERY Sarah's Child		1.	6			
14	FLOWER Betty		1.	3			
15	GRE(E)GORY Jacob's two Chil'n 1/- each		2.	0			
16	HARRIS Mary		1.	6			
17	HOOK Ann 2/- & to her Daughter Martha CARTER 1/-		3.	0			
18	HARRIS Sarah, Widow		2.	6			
19	JAMES Betty's Child		1.	0			
20	LOVE Abigail		2.	6			
21	LANSDOWN Ros'h's Child		2.	0			
22	NEWBURY Eliz'h		1.	0			
23	PRIDDY Rebec[c]a		-				
24	PAIN James & Wife, 2/- each		4.	0			
25	PRIDDY Han'h, Widow		2.	6			
26	PRIDDY Tho's 1/-, his Wife 1/6		2.	6			
27	PALMER John		2.	6			
28	SAGE Jane		1.	6			
29	SNELLING Han'h		1.	0	1.	13.	6
30	SMITH Sarah		2.	0			
31	SALMON Martha's Child		1.	6			
32	SIMMONS Judith's Child		1.	6			
33	STICKLER Tho's's three Chil. 1/- each & Widow		4.	0			
34	TUCKER Dolly, Widow of Wm. TUCKER at Radstock		1.	6			
35	TUCKER B. D.'s Child		1.	9			
36	TUCKER Jane, Widow		1.	0			
37	TUCKER Uriah's two Chil. 2/-each an[d] 1/- for looking after them		5.	0			
38	TUCKER Rich'd's Wife & three Chil. 1/3 each		5.	0			
39	WALKER [WALTER] Joseph		3.	0			

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40 VOWLES Sarah's Child	1. 6	
41 WHITING Ann	<u>1. 0</u>	1. 8. 9
42-50 [blank]		
One Week's pay		<u>£4. 7. 9</u>
		<u>2</u>
Amount of Fortnightly Callender		£8.15. 6

High Littleton, Somerset, 27th March 1821.

At the Annual Vestry of the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, holden (by adjournment from the Parish Church) at Hallatrow (a Hamlet of such Parish) at the House of Mr Thomas FLOWER, the assistant Overseer, It was unanimously **resolved** by the several inhabitants of such Parish in Vestry now assembled, to establish, and we whose hands are hereunto subscribed do hereby establish, a select Vestry for the concerns of the Poor of such Parish; and we do hereby nominate and **elect** Richard COX, Stephen HUTTON, James BOULTER, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Thomas JAMES, William JAMES, George TUCKER, James CRANG and Jacob MOGG Esq'r, respectively substantial Householders within the said Parish, together with the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the same Parish for the time being, to be members of, and to constitute, such select vestry.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Joseph LANSDOWN, Rich'd COX, Step'n HUTTON, Jas. BOULTER, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING, John BLINMAN, Wm. JAMES, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

[Below]

March 30th 1821 - I, Wm. Coxeter JAMES Esq'r, One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in & for the County of Somerset, do approve of and appoint the above named Persons as a select Vestry.

[Sgd] Wm. Coxeter JAMES.

High Littleton, April 4 1821.

At a select Vestry held this day in the Parish Church, agreeable to Notice given on the first Inst., it was unanimously **agreed** to by the Inhabitants then present that, in consequence of various sums of money due (by the late assistant overseer, Mr Tho's FLOWER of the Hamlet of Hallatrow) to this parish, amounting to the sum of £89.12.10, they have unanimously **agreed** to receive annually (in liquidation of such debt), the sum of £22, the same being now about to be secured by the said Tho's FLOWER, unto Jacob MOGG Esq'r, of all his dividends received to him by the Will of his late Father and amounting to the sum of £44 p'r Annum, for the benefit of the parish & his other creditors in general, untill such time as the whole shall be paid off.

And it is also further **agreed** that 10 Guineas p'r Annum shall in future be paid to any person or persons serving the office of Overseer, which sum, it is understood, shall cover all expences, save and except attending the general Quarter Sessions & the removal of any pauper by Order of Magistrates.

And it is also further **agreed** that the sum of £[blank], now in the Bank of Messrs HOBHOUSE & Co. and belonging to this parish, be immediately apply'd to the payment of such sums of money as may be now due by Tho's FLOWER to the parish and that the dividends arising from his Stock in the 4 p. Cents be paid over to Jacob MOGG Esq'r, the Trustee for the repayment of the same.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Jacob MOGG, Jas. CRANG, Tho's JAMES, Rich'd COX, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Ed. DOWLING, Joseph HARRIS, James BOULTER, Step'n HUTTON, Jos'h LANSDOWN.

High Littleton Church, June 5 1821.

At a Select Vestry held this day it was **Resolved** by us the undersigned that, in consequence of Hester DURY of this parish having refused to marry Thomas CLEMENT of the parish of Farmborough, the Father of her bastard Child, that no weekly pay should in future be allowed her untill further ordered by the Magistrates, the said CLEMENT having refused to comply with the Orders made by the Magistrates upon him the Nineteenth of April 1821.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph LANSDOWN, George TUCKER, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Step'n HUTTON, William JAMES.

High Littleton Church, September 27th 1821.

At a General Vestry holden this day, agreeable to public notice given on Sunday last the twenty third Instant,

"for the purpose of raising a Sufficient sum of money to defray the Expences lately incurred by certain improvements made in this Church", to the amount or sum of £82. 2. 8,

It was **resolved** by us, the undersigned, that the Cottage and Garden belonging to this parish and now in the occupation of Mrs [Jane] SCOBELL, as tenant and situate at Hallatrow, be immediately disposed of by public

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or private Sale & the proceeds immediately applied to the discharge of such sums of money that are now due by the Churchwardens as above.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Tho's JAMES, Rich'd COX, Joseph HARRIS, Step'n HUTTON, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Jas. BOULTER, Edward DOWLING, Joseph LANSDOWN, The Mark X of Wm. JAMES, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George HIGGINS, Jacob MOGG.

High Littleton, March 26th 1822.

At the Annual Vestry held this day at the Parish Church at High Littleton,

It was **resolved** that Jacob MOGG and Tho's Collier DUDDEN be appointed Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Resolved that John BLINMAN, for Mr GORE LANGTON's Estate and George HIGGINS, for Broomhill Estate, be appointed Overseers for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, Jacob MOGG, Joseph LANSDOWN, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING, George HIGGINS, Wm. JAMES, Jas. CRANG, Stephen HUTTON.

High Littleton Church, March 26th 1822.

At the Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence adjourned to the House of Jos'h HARRIS, the Overseer for the last Year, the prece(e)ding accounts w(h)ere examined & **approved**, and the Weekly Callender (*sic*) in the succeeding Page was **resolved** on.

[Not signed].

Weekly Callender agreed on at the An[n]ual Vestry on the 26 Day of March 1822,
and ending the 25 Day of March 1823.

		Weekly	
		s. d.	£. s. d.
1	BULL Sam'l	2. 6	Is For[t]nightly 5. 0
2	BRIMBEL [BRIMBLE] Ann	2. 0	4. 0
3	BRIMBLE Jane	2. 0	4. 0
4	BROUNGING [BROWNING] Hannah	0. 6	1. 0
5	BATH Dinah	2. 0	4. 0
6	BULL E'wd Sen'r	1. 6	3. 0
7	BOWDITCH Hester	1. 0	2. 0
8	COLLINS Mary	1. 0	2. 0
9	CHIVERS Rob't and Wife	4. 6	9. 0
10	CARTER John and fam[i]ly	5. 6	11. 0
11	DIX Jane 2 Children	2. 4	4. 8
12	EMERY Sarah's Chi'd	1. 6	3. 0
13	FLOWER Betty	0. 6	1. 0
14	GREGORY Jacob	1. 0	2. 0
15	HARRIS Mary	1. 6	3. 0
16	JAMES Betty, Child	0. 9	1. 6
17	LOFFE Abeical [LOVE Abigail]	2. 6	5. 0
18	LANSDOWN Rossana [Rosannah]	1. 3	2. 6
19	LANSDOWN Joice	2. 0	4. 0
20	NEWBURY Eliz'th	1. 0	2. 0
21	PAIN James & Wife	4. 0	8. 0
22	PREEDY [PRIDDY] Tho's & Wife	3. 6	7. 0
23	PALMER John	3. 0	6. 0
24	SAGE Jane	1. 6	3. 0
25	SNELLING Hannah	1. 0`	2. 0
26	SALMON Marth's Child	2. 0	4. 0
27	SMITH Sarah	2. 0	4. 0
28	SYMMONS Judith Child	1. 6	3. 0
29	STICKLER Tho's Chil'n	3. 6	7. 0
30	TUCKER Dolly	1. 6	3. 0
31	TUCKER Jane, Wido'	1. 0	2. 0
32	TUCKER Uriah Family	4. 6	9. 0
33	TUCKER Rich'd Family	5. 0	10. 0

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34	VOWLES Sarah	1.	6		3.	0
35	WHITING Ann	1.	0		2.	0
36	[blank]					
	Weekly	£3.13.	4	Fortnightly	7.	6. 8
			2			
	Fortnightly		7.	6.	8	

High Littleton, March 26 1822.

At the Annual Vestry held this day in the Parish Church, agreeable to the Notice given (on Thursday the 24 Inst.) and adjourned from thence to the House of Mr Joseph HARRIS, one of the Overseers of the poor, we do hereby elect and **appoint** Richard COX, Stephen HUTTON, Joseph LANSDOWN, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING, George TUCKER, Wm. JAMES, Peter LUDWELL & Tho's JAMES, respectable Householdors within the said Parish, together with the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish for the time being, to be members of, and to constitute, a Select Vestry for the year ensuing.

Resolved also that if any member of this Select Vestry shall absent himself from any Select Vestry called, they [he] shall forfeit one Shilling unless he can produce a satisfactory cause to the majority of such members assembled and that the Select Vestry shall assemble once in every Month.

[Sgd] Jas. CRANG, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. JAMES, Pet'r LUDWELL, John BLINMAN, Rich'd COX, George HIGGINS, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Joseph HARRIS, Joseph LANSDOWN, Step'n HUTTON.

High Littleton, May 20th 1822.

At a Vestry held this day, according to Notice given in the Church of High Littleton, we the undersigned have nominated and **appointed** Mr Richard COX and Mr Stephen HUTTON Collectors of the Assessed and Land Tax for the said Parish for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Joseph LANSDOWN, Joseph HARRIS, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, George HIGGINS, Pet'r LUDWELL, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. JAMES.

High Littleton, March 26th 1823.

At the annual Vestry held this day at the Parish Church at High Littleton,

It was **resolved** that Mr Joseph HARRIS and Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN be appointed Churchwardens for the ensuing Year.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Jacob MOGG, Walter GABY, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Joseph HARRIS, Ed. DOWLING, George HIGGINS, Wm. JAMES, Peter LUDWELL.

High Littleton, March 26th 1823.

At the annual Vestry held this day at the Parish Church at High Littleton,

resolved that Mr Richard COX and Mr George TUCKER be appointed for the year ensuing, Overseers of the Poor, and that Mr Joseph HARRIS and Mr John BLINMAN be appointed for the Collectors of the assessed Taxes and Land Tax for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Jacob MOGG, Jonas WEEKS, Walter GABY, Ed. DOWLING, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. JAMES, Step'n HUTTON, George HIGGINS.

High Littleton Church, March 26 1823.

At the Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence Adjourned to the House of John BLINMAN at Hal[l]atrow, the Preceding Accounts of the Overseers were Examined and **Approved**, and the weekly Calender (*sic*) in the Succeeding Page was **resolved** on.

Resolved that Rich'd COX and George TUCKER be Ap[p]ointed Overseers.

[Not signed - appointment of Overseers minuted and signed in other Book.]

Fortnightly Calender Agreed on at the Annual Vestry on the 26th Day of March, for the Year begin[n]ing March 26 1823 and Ending the 25th Day of March 1824.

	£.	s.	d.
1 BULL Samuel	5.	0	
2 BRIMBLE Jane	4.	0	
3 BRIMBLE Ann	4.	0	
4 BROWNING Hannah	1.	0	
5 BATH Dinah	4.	0	
6 BULL Edward	2.	0	
7 CL(E)ARE James' Child	3.	0	

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8	COLLINS Mary		2. 0
9	CHIVERS Robert & Wife		9. 0
10	CARTER John & Family		9. 0
11	DIX Jane's Children		3. 0
12	DIX Mary's Child	B	3. 0
13	D(R)URY Hester's Child	B	3. 0
14	EMERY Sarah's Ch'd	B	3. 0
15	FLOWER Betty		3. 0
16	GREGORY Jacob		2. 0
17	HARRIS(S) Mary		2. 6
18	JAMES Betty's Child		1. 6
19	LOFF Abigel [<i>LOVE Abigail</i>]		5. 0
20	PAIN James & Wife		8. 0
21	PRIDDY Tho's Wife		5. 0
22	SAGE Jane		3. 0
23	SNELLING Hannah		2. 0
24	SALMON Martha's Child	B	4. 0
25	SMITH Sarah		4. 0
26	SYMMONS Judith Child		3. 0
27	STICKLER Tho's Family		5. 0
28	TUCKER Dolly, Widow		4. 0
29	TUCKER Jane, Widow		2. 0
30	TUCKER Uriah Family		8. 0
31	TUCKER Rich'd Family		9. 0
32	VOWLES Sarah		2. 0
33	WEEKS Adam's Child		3. 0
34	WHITING Ann		<u>1. 0</u>
	Fortnight Calender		6.12. 0

High Littleton, June 16 1823.

At a Vestry held at the Church at High Littleton this day,

it was **resolved** that a new Rate be made for the payment of the poor of this parish, and that Mr GANDELL of the parish of Radstock be employed to value the Parish, and that Mr John BLINMAN of Hallatrow and Mr George TUCKER of High Littleton be desired to attend Mr GANDELL in his valuation.

[*Sgd*] Jacob MOGG, Chairman, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, George HIGGINS, Edward DOWLING, John BLINMAN, Peter LUDWELL.

High Littleton, Sept'r 10th 1823.

At a general Vestry, legally called, holden in the Parish Church of High Littleton this day, the Churchwardens present, having reported that Mr GANDELL would not undertake the valuation of the Parish for a less sum than Thirty Guineas (it having been understood at the Vestry holden on the 16th of June last, that such valuation would be made at an expence from £16 to £20),

Resolved that Mr GANDELL be not employed in making such valuation.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Walter GABY, Tho's JAMES, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George SPREAT, Joseph HARRIS.

High Littleton Church, Dec'r 19th 1823.

At a general Vestry, legally called, holden this day, for the purpose of reconsidering the present Rate for relief of the Poor, and it appearing to this Vestry from the report of several Gent'n having competent knowledge of the value of the Farm now rented by Farm'r John BLINMAN, the property of William GORE LANGTON Esq'r, at Hallatrow in this Parish, that about 20 Acres of such Farm (being upwards of one sixth of the whole), is not above half the value of the remainder of such Farm,

Resolved that the Churchwardens and Overseers be directed, and they are hereby directed, to amend the present Rate, by charging for such 20 Acres the sum of one half penny only per acre instead of one penny as now charged, being a deduction of 8s./4d. from each collection of these Rates and that the remainder of such Farm be charged at one penny per acre.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Tho's JAMES, Walter GABY, Rich'd COX, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Step'n HUTTON, John BLINMAN.

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High Littleton, March 25th 1824.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton,

Resolved that Mr Richard [*Stephen intended*] HUTTON and Mr Jonas WEEKS be appointed Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN and Mr Joseph HARRIS be appointed Churchwardens of this Parish for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Farmer Peter LUDWELL of Hallatrow, and Mr Charles DUDDEN of High Littleton, be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that the Evening Lecture be continued, and that the Churchwardens do communicate this Resolution to the Rev'd Mr TURNER.

Resolved that the thanks of this Vestry, in the name and on behalf of the whole Parish, be given to Mr & Mrs CRANG, for the very gratifying manner in which they have kindly, and voluntarily, exerted their Talents and influence in the performance of the Musical department of the Church Service, and that the Churchwardens do personally present them with a Copy of this Resolution.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD, Walter GABY, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Joseph HARRIS, Rich'd COX, John BLINMAN, George HIGGINS, Ed. DOWLING, Pe. LUDWELL.

High Littleton Church, March 25th 1824.

At the Vestry holden this Day in the Parish Church of High Littleton and from thence Adjourned to the House of George HIGGINS at Broomhill Farm, the prece(e)ding Accounts of the Overseers Were examined and **A/p/proved** And the Fortnight[*ly*] Calender (*sic*) in the Succe[*e*]ding Page was **Resolved** on.

Resolved that Stephen HUTTON & Jonas WEEKS, be ap[*p*]ointed Overseers.

[*Not signed - appointment of Overseers minuted and signed in other Book.*]

Fortnightly Calender Agreed on at the Annual Vestry on the 25th Day of March, for the Year begin[*n*]ing March 26th 1824 and ending the 25th Day of March 1825.

		£.	s.	d.
BULL Samuel Wife & Child		5.	0	
BRIMBLE Ann		4.	0	
BRIMBLE Jane		4.	0	
BATH Dinah		4.	0	
BULL Edward Sen'r		3.	0	
CL(E)ARE's James Child	B	3.	0	
COLLINS Mary		2.	0	
CHIVERS Robert		5.	0	
CHIVERS Robert's Wife		4.	0	
CARTER John & Family		9.	0	
DIX Jane's Child		3.	0	
DIX Mary's Child	B	3.	0	
DURY Hester's Child	B	3.	0	
GREGORY's Jacob Child		2.	0	
HARRIS Mary		3.	0	
NEWBERY Elizabeth		2.	0	
PAIN James & Wife		8.	0	
PRIDDY Thomas's Wife		5.	0	
SAGE Jane		3.	6	
SNELLING Hannah		2.	0	
RAP/P/S James's two Child'n		6.	0	
SALMON Martha's Child	B	4.	0	
SMITH Sarah		4.	0	
SYMMONS Judith's Child	B	3.	0	
STICKLER Thomas's Family		5.	0	
TUCKER Dolly, Widow		4.	0	
TUCKER Jane, Widow		2.	6	
TUCKER Uriah's Family		8.	0	
TUCKER Richard's Family		9.	0	
VOWLES Sarah's Child		2.	0	
WEEKS Adam's Child		3.	0	

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High Littleton, 25th March 1824.

At the Annual Vestry for the Parish of High Littleton, in the County of Somerset, holden this day in the Parish Church, **Resolved** that Mr Walter GABY, Mr Richard COX, Mr Thomas JAMES, Farmer John BLINMAN, Farmer Edward DOWLING, Farmer Peter LUDWELL, Farmer William JAMES, Farmer George TUCKER, together with the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish for the time being, be, and they are hereby appointed, a select Vestry for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Walter GABY, Rich'd COX, George HIGGINS, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Joseph HARRIS, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Jas. CRANG.

High Littleton, April 30th 1824.

At a Vestry holden in the Parish Church of High Littleton this day, in consequence of Notice publicly read in such Church on Sunday last, and also affixed, during Divine Service, to the Door of the Church, of the following import, Viz't:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be held here on Friday next at Eleven o' Clock, to take into consideration the propriety of enlarging the Church, at which time the Inhabitants of this Parish are particularly requested to attend."

It was unanimously **resolved** by us, whose hands are hereunto subscribed, the several persons possessing the powers of Vestry in such Parish, that the enlargement of this Church is not only a circumstance of propriety but great necessity, and the Churchwardens are hereby directed to give the necessary Notices for such enlargement, as directed by the Acts of Parliament and Committee of the Society for promoting the enlargement and building of Churches and Chapels, and that in the mean time they be requested to solicit from the Inhabitants of this Parish and such others as are interested in the same or who approve of the benevolent wishes and intentions of this Vestry, subscriptions for carrying the same into effect.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Churchwar'n, Joseph HARRIS, Churchwarden, Richard LANGFORD, Walter GABY, Jas. CRANG, John BLINMAN, Ric'd HUTTON, George SPREAT, James ROSSITER.

High Littleton, 11th May 1824.

At a Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton, in pursuance of the following Notice, published in the usual manner in such Church, two successive Sundays preceding this day, Viz't:

"It having been unanimously resolved at a Vestry legally convened, and holden on Friday the 30th day of April last, that it was not only proper, but necessary, to enlarge and increase the accommodation in this Church; Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be holden here on Tuesday the 11th day of May next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of considering and determining, and also ordering and directing, the best mode of raising the Money necessary for effecting such enlargement and increased accommodation, at which Vestry the inhabitants of this Parish, and all others interested in promoting this desirable object, are requested to attend."

The Churchwardens having produced a List of Voluntary contributions for the purpose of carrying the above intention into effect, amounting to a considerable sum,

Resolved that James CRANG and Walter GABY Esq's, with the Churchwardens and Overseers, be appointed, and they are hereby appointed, a Committee for receiving further subscriptions and also obtaining proposals for making such enlargement and increased accommodation, conformably with the Plans now agreed on, and that with the Rev'd H.H. MOGG and the other necessary official characters, they make such application to the Committee of the Society for promoting the enlargement and building of Churches and Chapels for their assistance, as they may think expedient, and that they be empowered to call a general Vestry as soon, and as often as they shall consider it expedient for furthering the object in view.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Richard LANGFORD, Walter GABY, Joseph HARRIS, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Jas. CRANG.

High Littleton, August 4th 1824.

At a Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, in pursuance of the following notice published in such Church, during the time of Divine Service, on Sunday last, the same having been on that day fixed on the principal Door of the said Church and being now thereon, Viz't:

"High Littleton, 1st August 1824.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be holden in this Church on Wednesday next, the fourth of this Instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon, to take into consideration and to determine on a proposition to

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be then made for erecting a Vestry Room, for the use and accommodation of the Minister of this Parish, and also for the safe custody and preservation of the Registers, and other Books, Documents and Papers belonging to the Church, and for the purpose of holding Vestries and other Meetings of the Churchwardens, Overseers and Parishioners, and for transacting the general business of the Parish, and also on other matters relating to the Church & Churchyard.

Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph HARRIS, Churchwardens of the Parish of High Littleton. Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Overseers of the poor of the Parish of High Littleton."

Present: Mr Walter GABY in the Chair, Mr Rich'd LANGFORD, Mr James CRANG, Mr Step'n HUTTON, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr Tho's DUDDEN, Mr Jos'h HARRIS, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Peter LUDWELL.

Mr LANGFORD, having reported to this meeting that he had received the following letter from the Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG, the Vicar & officiating Minister of this Parish,

"Chewton Vicarage, Aug't 3d 1824.

Dear Sir,

I am very sorry I am prevented by an afflictive and unexpected circumstance from attending the Vestry appointed to be held to morrow at Littleton, but I beg to say I approve of the plan propos'd respecting the intended Vestry Room, which I will thank you to communicate to the Gentlemen assembled at such Vestry."

Resolv'd that the thanks of this meeting be given to the Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG for his great attention to the interests and accomodation (*sic*) of his Parishioners by the above communication; at the same time they beg leave to express their sincere sorrow at the melancholly (*sic*) cause which has depriv'd them of his personal assistance on this occasion.

The Vicar and officiating Minister of the Parish not being present, Mr Walter GABY, one of the principal Inhabitants of this Parish, was appointed Chairman of, and to preside at, this Vestry.

Mr Joseph MULLETT, Builder of this Parish, having produc'd a Model of a Vestry Room to be attach'd to the Western end of the enlarg'd Church, and also an estimate of the whole expences attending its erection and completion, according to a specification now delivered, amounting to the sum of £52, and Mr LANGFORD, having offer'd to advance such sum, free of interest, on condition that the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish be authoriz'd and directed to repay the said Richard LANGFORD, his Heirs & assigns, the said sum out of the Poor's Rates of the Parish by equal half yearly payments, and it appearing unto this meeting that such Vestry Room might now be built at a much less expence than at any future period, and such Vestry Room being consider'd as essential and necessary for the several purposes mention'd in the said notice, **Resolved**, that the Committee appointed for directing the enlargement of the Church be empower'd, and they are hereby fully authoriz'd, to enter into a contract with the said Joseph MULLETT for the erection and completion of such Vestry Room on the Plan and for the sum of £52.

And it is further **resolv'd** that the Overseers of this Parish for the time being shall, and they are hereby fully and irrevocably authoriz'd, empower'd and directed to pay unto the said Richard LANGFORD, his heirs & assigns, the said sum of £52 by equal half yearly payments of the sum of £8.13. 4, the first payment to be made on the 25th day of March next, untill the whole of the said sum of £52 be fully discharg'd. And it is hereby agreed that such half yearly payments, when made as aforesaid, shall be enter'd in the accounts of the Overseers for the time being, and shall be allow'd and consider'd, untill the whole of the said Sum of £52 be paid to the said Richard LANGFORD, his Heirs or assigns, as part of the current expences of the year.

This Vestry, having examined the Beams which support the old Gallery and finding them much decay'd, **Resolv'd** that the Churchwardens do have the same strengthen'd in such way as they shall consider sufficient to make them perfectly secure for the congregation, and also to make such alteration in the Pulpit & Reading Desk as shall be thought necessary by the Vicar.

[Sgd] Walter GABY, Chairman, Richard LANGFORD, James CRANG, Step'n HUTTON, John BLINMAN, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING, The Mark x of Peter LUDWELL

[Below]

Resolv'd that the thanks of this Meeting be given to Rich'd LANGFORD Esq're for his very liberal offer of advancing the Money for Building the Vestry Room.

High Littleton Church, 2nd December 1824.

At a special Vestry holden this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton in consequence of the following Notice, which (by reason of Divine Service being discontinued during the enlargement, improvement and repairs of the Church) was affixed to the Door of the Church, and of which personal intimation was given to all the Inhabitants paying Church Rates, Viz't:

"High Littleton, 27th Nov'r 1824.

Notice is hereby given that a special Vestry will be holden in the Parish Church of High Littleton, in the County of Somerset, on Thursday the Second day of December next at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of identifying the private and appropriated Seats, and arranging the Free Sittings within such Church, and other business relating to the Church, Church-Yard and Vestry Room, for the greater comfort and accommodation of the Minister, the Parochial Officers, and the Congregation attending such Church, preparatory to opening the same for Divine worship on Sunday the 5th day of Dec'r next.

(Signed) Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Church Wardens, High Littleton.

Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, Overseers of the Poor of High Littleton."

Present: Mr Richard LANGFORD, Mr Thomas MILES, on behalf of Wm. Jones BURDETT Esq're, Mr Walter GABY, Mr James CRANG, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Overseer, Mr Stephen HUTTON, Overseer, Mr Richard COX, Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN, Churchwarden, Mr Joseph HARRIS, Churchwarden, Mr George HIGGINS Jun'r, Mr George SPREAT.

The Vicar, and officiating Minister not being present, Mr Richard LANGFORD was nominated as Chairman.

It was **resolved** that the following Pews should be appropriated, and they are hereby appropriated, and declared to belong to, and shall be enjoyed by, and for the use and accommodation of, such several persons who shall, or may, for the time being, be respectively Inhabitants of the said Parish, and occupiers of the several Dwelling Houses, and Farm Houses, hereinafter particularly mentioned, that is to say,

Pews No. 1 & 2 - For two persons out of every family who shall respectively be inhabitants of the said Parish and occupiers of the Farmhouse belonging to the late George MOGG Esq're called Holwell [*Rosewell*], now occupied by George TUCKER,

The Farm-House, also belonging to the said late George MOGG called Broomhill, now occupied by George HIGGINS Jun'r,

The Farm House belonging to the late Jacob MOGG Esq're called The Church Farm, now occupied by William JAMES,

The Farm House belonging to Mrs Sarah THOMAS and Mrs Martha THOMAS called Kingwell, now occupied by John CHAVE,

The Farm House called Ridens, now in the occup'n of Jonathan PARSONS,

The Farm House called BAYNTON's, now in the occupation of James BUSH, which said several Farm Houses are situate at High Littleton.

The Farm House belonging to John PURNELL Esq're, now occupied by Jonas WEEKS,

The Farm House belonging to Richard LANGFORD Esq're, now occupied by Edward DOWLING,

The Farm House (late HILL's) also belonging to said Richard LANGFORD, now occupied by Peter LUDWELL,

The Farm House belonging to Mr Joseph LANGFORD and William WEEKS, now occupied by Mr Tho's FLOWER,

which said last mentioned Farm Houses are situated in Hallatrow in the said Parish of High Littleton.

Pew No. 3 - The Inhabitants of the Farm House at High Littleton belonging to William Jones BURDETT Esq're called Rugburn, now occupied by Stephen HUTTON.

Pew No. 4 - The Inhabitants of the Farm House at High Littleton also belonging to the said William Jones BURDETT called DRURY's, now occupied by Joseph HARRIS.

Pew No. 5 -The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow belonging to said Richard LANGFORD, now in the occupation of Mr [*James*] CRANG. [*pencil note* - Mr [*William*] WILLIAMS]

Pew No. 6 - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling Houses at Hallatrow belonging to Mr Thomas JAMES called the Brickhouse, and [*blank*]. [*pencil note* - See Memo. No. 1 (2 *intended*)]

Pew No. 7 - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow called the Batch (late the residence of Thomas BRODRIBB Esq're), now in the occupation of Mr Richard COX.

Pew No. 8 - The Inhabitants of the Farm House at Hallatrow belonging to William GORE LANGTON J'r Esq're, now in the occupation of John BLINMAN, and the Inhabitants of the Farm House belonging to Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN, now in his own occupation. [*pencil note* - Now No. 9]

Pew No. 9 - William Jones BURDETT Esq're for the Servants of the Families, inhabitants for the time being, of his Farm Houses called Rugburn and DRURY's, on his payment of the Sum of 4 Guineas.

Pew No. 10 - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow belonging to Mrs [*Jane*] SCOBELL, now in her own occupation.

Pew No. 11 - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at High Littleton belonging to the said Richard LANGFORD, now in the occupation of Mr James ROSSITER, and the inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow (late JORDAN's) belonging to the said Richard LANGFORD.

Pew No. 12 - Four Sittings, to the Inhabitants of the Dwelling House, late READ's, the property, and now in the occupation, of George SPREAT, on payment of 4 Guineas,

Two Sittings to Joseph MULLETT for the Inhabitants of his House at Hallatrow, on payment of 2 Guineas,
and Two Sittings for the Inhabitants of the Farm House at Hallatrow belonging to John PURNELL Esq're, now in the occupation of the said Jonas WEEKS, on payment of 2 Guineas.- [*pencil note* - See Memorandum No. 2]

Pew No. 13 - The Servants of Mrs [*Jane*] SCOBELL, or of the Inhabitants for the time being of the House in which she now resides.

Pew No. 14 - The Servants of Mr [*James*] CRANG, or the Inhabitants for the time being of the House in which he now resides.

The New Gallery.

for the erection and following appropriation of which, the Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG subscribed the Sum of £50, John PURNELL Esq're the Sum of £15, the said Richard LANGFORD the Sum of £50, and Mr Walter GABY the Sum of £15, with a considerable portion of the Halling.

The first Pew on entering this Gallery, on the left Hand - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow belong'g to the said John PURNELL, now in the occupation of Miss [*Betty*] PURNELL and Miss Sarah PURNELL.

The second Pew on the left Hand, and the first on the Right Hand, of such Gallery - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at High Littleton belonging to the said Walter GABY, and now in his own occupation.

The Third Pew on the left hand, and the second on the right hand of such Gallery - The said Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG, as Vicar of the Parish of High Littleton.

The Fourth Pew, with the one immediately the same in such Gallery - The Inhabitants of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow called Montvale House, belonging to the said Richard LANGFORD, and now in his occupation.

All the remaining part of the Church (the Organ Loft only excepted) is hereby declared to be free and open for the accommodation of all persons whomsoever who may be disposed to attend Divine Worship in this Church. It was **resolved** that these proceedings be now Signed and Copied in the Vestry Book.

Signed by Richard LANGFORD, Chairman, Walter GABY, James CRANG, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS. Rich'd COX, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George SPREAT, George HIGGINS, Tho's MILES - on behalf of Wm. Jones BURDETT Esq're.

No.1 Memorandum - That at this meeting, there having been some misconception as to the final appropriation of the Pew No. 6 (which had been always considered as belonging to the said John PURNELL and Thomas JAMES), the entry of such appropriation was not completed.

[*Sgd*] Richard LANGFORD.

No. 2. Memorandum - John PURNELL Esq're, having relinquished his two Sittings in Pew No. 12 in favour of Mr Thomas FLOWER, Grocer etc., Bath, and he having paid the Sum of Two Guineas, such sittings were appropriated for the Inhabitants of the House of the said Thomas FLOWER in High Littleton, now in the occupation of James STICKLER, Baker etc.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 29th Mar 1825.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day, pursuant to Notice in the Church,

Resolved that Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN and Mr Joseph HARRIS be appointed Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr Richard HUTTON and Mr Jonas WEEKS be appointed Overseers for the year ensuing, they having handsomely offered to serve the office although it was not their regular turn.

Resolved that Farmer Edward DOWLING and Farmer George HIGGINS be appointed Collectors of the assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

Resolved that the necessary repairs to the Organ be immediately effected, Mr [*Walter*] GABY & Mr [*Richard*] LANGFORD agreeing to pay £1 each towards the expense & that Mr [*James*] CRANG be requested to give such directions for completing the same as he shall think necessary.

Resolved that Mr [*Richard*] LANGFORD to pay the amount of Joseph MULLETT's Bill for erecting the Vestry Room £54. 6. 3.

Resolved that Joseph MULLETT's Bill for repairing the old part of the Church, amounting to £10.12.11, be paid by the Churchwardens.

[*Signed*] Richard LANGFORD, Jas. CRANG, Walter GABY, Ric'd HUTTON, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jonas WEEKS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 29th March 1825.

At the Annual Vestry for the Parish of High Littleton holden this day,

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Resolved that Mr Walter GABY, Mr Richard COX, Mr Thomas JAMES, Farmer John BLINMAN, Farmer Edward DOWLING, Farmer William JAMES, Farmer Charles TUCKER, together with the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish for the time being, be, and they are hereby appointed, a select Vestry for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Jas. CRANG, Walter GABY, Joseph HARRIS, Rich'd COX, Step'n HUTTON, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George HIGGINS, Peter LUDWELL, John BLINMAN.

High Littleton Church, March 30th 1825.

At the Annual Vestry holden this day in the Vestry Room of High Littleton Church, the preceding accounts of Farmer Stephen HUTTON and Jonas WEEKS, the Overseers for the past Year, were examined and **approved** and, they, having handsomely and voluntarily offered their services in that capacity for the following year, they were unanimously **appointed** to the office.

[Not signed]

Calender of **Weekly payments** to the Poor of the Parish of High Littleton, as settled at a Vestry of such Parish holden the 30th day of March 1825, to be paid every alternate Monday in the Vestry Room.

		£.	s.	d.
BULL Samuel Wife and Child		2.	6	
BRIMBLE Ann		2.	0	
BRIMBLE Jane		2.	0	
BATH Dinah		2.	0	
BULL Edward		2.	0	
CL(E)ARE James's Child	B	1.	6	
COLLINS Mary		1.	0	
CHIVERS Robert		2.	6	
CHIVERS Robert's Wife		2.	0	
CARTER John and family		4.	6	
DIX Mary's Child	B	1.	6	
D(R)URY Hester's Child	B	1.	6	
D(R)URY Josiah		1.	6	
HARRIS Mary		1.	6	
JAMES Franci(e)s		2.	0	
NEWBERY Elizabeth		1.	0	
PAIN James and Wife		4.	0	
PRIDDY Thomas's Wife		2.	6	
RAPPS James's 2 Chi[l]dren		3.	0	
SAGE Jane		1.	9	
SNELLING Hannah		1.	0	
SALMON Martha's Child	B	1.	6	
SALMON James and Wife		2.	6	
SMITH Sarah		2.	0	
SYMMONS Judith's Child	B	1.	6	
STICKLER Thomas's family		1.	6	
TUCKER Dolly, Widow		2.	0	
TUCKER Jane, Widow		1.	3	
TUCKER Uriah's family		4.	0	
TUCKER Joseph and Wife		3.	0	
TUCKER Richard's family		4.	6	
VOWLES Elizabeth's Child	B	1.	6	
WEEKS Adam's Child		1.	6	
WYATT Elijah's Child		1.	6	
Total Amount of Weekly Expenditure		3.11.	6	

High Littleton Vestry Room, 12th May 1825.

At a Vestry holden this day, after the legal notice given in the Church, the following Bills for repairing and ornamenting the Church having been produced, Viz't:

Michael OSBORNE's Bill amounting to	£19.18. 7
Joseph MULLETT's do.	£10.12. 7
George CHIVERS's do.	£9.17. 6

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and the same being considered as containing very heavy charges,

Resolved that the Churchwardens do take such measures as they shall think necessary to ascertain the true and just amount of such Bills and, when the same is effected, that they pay the same out of the Rates.

[Sgd] Richard LANGFORD, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph HARRIS, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, James ROSSITER, Ed. DOWLING, Chas. TUCKER, George HIGGINS.

Although no Minutes survive, correspondence and documents relating to the Rates Appeal and proposed Survey shows that a Notice was read out in Church on Sunday 19th June 1825 that a Vestry Meeting would be held on 23rd June to consider an appeal by John BLINMAN against the Poor Rates.

A Vestry was holden on Thursday 23rd June 1825.

Present: Joseph HARRIS (Churchwarden), Stephen HUTTON, John BLINMAN, Edward DOWLING, James WEEKS (son of Jonas WEEKS, Overseer and acting for his father), Capt. [Geo. Treweeke] SCOBELL and Mr T.C. DUDDEN (Churchwarden).

*It was **agreed** by the Parishioners attending that Mr T.O. BENNETT should be sent for to survey the Parish. Mr BLINMAN proposed that Mr HARRIS should go immediately for BENNETT.*

High Littleton Vestry Room, 28 Oct 1825.

At a Vestry assembled this day (after the legal notice thereof having been given in the Church during Divine Service),

Present - Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Chairman, Rich'd LANGFORD Esq'r, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr HUTTON, Mr Tho's JAMES, Mr J. ROSSITER, Mr HARRIS, Mr DUDDEN, Mr WEEKS, Mr BLINMAN, for the special purpose of receiving & considering a new Parish Poor's Rate (prepared by Mr BENNETT, Land Surveyor, by the directions of the Parish Officers).

Survey & Maps of the different kinds of property within the Parish having been submitted to the Vestry, defining the sums to be charged to each Rate on each separate species of property, the same having been examined & considered, we the undersigned do **confirm & adopt** the same for all future parochial assessments, with the exception of such species of property as is by law exempted.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Richard LANGFORD, Geo. Treweeke SCOBELL, Tho's JAMES, James ROSSITER, Joseph HARRIS, Step'n HUTTON, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jonas WEEKS.

31st Dec'r 1825.

At a General Vestry, assembled this day after due notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Rich'd LANGFORD Esq'r, Capt. SCOBELL R.N., Mr DUDDEN, Mr HARRIS, Mr HUTTON, Mr [George] TUCKER Sen'r,

respecting the collection of the new Poor's Rate, the Overseers are instructed to collect the same in conformity with the directions of the General Vestry held on that subject on the 28th of October last.

The Churchwardens are desired to call on Mr [Joseph] MULLETT to complete all deficiencies in his contract respecting the building of the Vestry Room, & also they are desired to furnish all other necessities for the same not included in such contract.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Richard LANGFORD, Geo. Treweeke SCOBELL, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Step'n HUTTON.

Jan'y 27th 1826.

At a Gen'l Vestry held this day after due notice, respecting the expediency of collecting the Poor's Rate from the poorer occupiers of Cottages in the Parish,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr HARRIS, Mr HUTTON, Mr DUDDEN, Mr WEEKS, Jno. DANDO Jun'r,

Ordered that no occupier of a Cottage (the same not being the property of such occupier), being a Day Labourer or in indigent circumstances, be required to pay any Parish Assessments until further direction, but that it shall be decided at a future Vestry whether it is not expedient & proper for the several Proprietors of such Cottages to pay the Assessments for the same.

[Sgd] Geo. Treweeke SCOBELL, Joseph HARRIS, Churchwarden, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Step'n HUTTON, John DANDO.

At the Annual Vestry held the 31st day of March 1826 in the Vestry Room, after legal Notice being given thereof,

Resolved that Mr [Joseph] HARRIS, Churchwarden, shall pay the Bills that are now due on the Church Repairs from the Church Rates, deducting from Mr MULLETT's bill £1.12.11 for old copper, & calling on Mr MULLETT to complete the Door & Linterns of the Vestry Room to the satisfaction of the Church Wardens.

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Mr BENNETT's Charge for the expenses attending his late Survey of the Parish, amounting to £65.11. 5, being submitted, **Resolved**, That as it appears Mr BENNETT has signified in writing his readiness to submit his Bill to Mr LANGFORD & to abide by his decision, that no money be paid on the same until Mr LANGFORD has given his opinion on the above charge.

Resolved that Mr ROSSITER & Farmer LUDWELL be appointed Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Charles TUCKER & Mr T.C. DUDDEN be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the ensuing year.

Resolved the following persons do constitute the Select Vestry for the coming year & that the Meetings be holden every other Friday at 10 o'Clock - Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Mr LANGFORD, Mr CRANG, Mr GABY, Mr HARRIS, Mr COX, Mr ROSSITER, Mr HUTTON, Mr DUDDEN, Mr HIGGINS, Mr LUDWELL, Mr BLINMAN, Mr C. TUCKER, Mr DOWLING, Capt. SCOBELL.

Resolved, That Mr HARRIS & Mr T.C. DUDDEN be appointed Churchwardens for the next year.

Resolved, That Capt. SCOBELL be requested to keep the Church Yard in good order, the Parish undertaking to pay the expense.

In consideration of the severe family afflictions of Mr Thomas FLOWER, the late Assistant Overseer of this Parish (& particularly of his Wife, who is now bed-ridden) & of the decay of his School, upon which he chiefly depended for his support, it is the unanimous opinion of this Vestry that it is expedient & would be an act of charity that the provisions made by him by a Deed dated the 3d day of May 1821 & an indorsement thereon dated the 25 day of November 1823, for the liquidation of a Balance due from him to the Parish of £89.12.10, arising from a defalcation in his Parish Accounts (of which nearly the half has since been paid), should no longer be exacted by the Parish, but that the same should be hereafter paid to Mr FLOWER for his more comfortable subsistence. It was, upon the motion of Capt. SCOBELL & seconded by Mr GABY, unanimously **resolved** that the residue of the said balance now due from Mr FLOWER to this Parish be & the same is hereby remitted him, & that Mr Richard LANGFORD, the surviving Trustee under the before mentioned Deed, be & he is hereby authorized to pay all such Dividends & properties of Dividends & Monies, which under the provisions of the said Deed & Indorsement would otherwise be & become due & payable to this Parish, unto him the said Thomas FLOWER, his Executors, Administrators & Assigns, to & for his & their own use & benefit, & for which his & their Receipt & Receipts shall be good & sufficient discharges.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, George Treweeke SCOBELL, Walter GABY, Jas. CRANG, Joseph HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, James ROSSITER, Wm. WILLIAMS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, James WEEKS, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Charles TUCKER, P. LUDWELL, George HIGGINS.

1826 May 26th.

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr J's ROSSITER, Mr HARRIS, Mr HUTTON, Mr LUDWELL.

As it appears John GREGORY is in a state of insanity & no immediate prospect of recovery, **ordered** that he be sent as a Parish Pauper, as soon as convenient, to Dr FOX's at Brislington.

[Sgd] Geo. T. SCOBELL, Joseph HARRIS, Richard HUTTON, James ROSSITER, Peter LUDWELL.

23 June 1826.

The Inhabitants of this Parish, wishing to record their high opinion of the late Richard LANGFORD Esq'r, who has long been a signal benefit to this Parish and neighbourhood, have taken this method of expressing their estimation of his many virtues - his firm & disinterested regard for his friends - the lively interest he took in everything which promoted the welfare of this Parish, and the wisdom & fidelity with which he formed & executed his various plans for the comfort & advantage of those among whom he lived.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, George Treweeke SCOBELL, Jas. CRANG, Joseph HARRIS, Walter GABY, Wm. WILLIAMS, Tho's JAMES, Rich'd COX, Ed. DOWLING, John BLINMAN, James ROSSITER, Jonas WEEKS, Petter (*sic*) LUDWELL, Charles TUCKER, Step'n HUTTON, John HARRISON, H.V. LANSDOWN, Ric'd HUTTON, Hester SCOBELL, Jane SCOBELL, Betty PURNELL, Sarah PURNELL, John HILL, William MAGGS, John REES MOGG, Mary Ann WILLIAMS, Tho's FLOWER, Martha JAMES, Mercy LANSDOWN, Sarah COX, S.L. CRANG, Jos'h LANSDOWN, Henry TUCKER, J.G.T. HARRIS, W. BATCHELLOR.

August 3rd [1826].

As a vacancy has occurred in the Trustees to Lady JONES' Charity to this Parish, the Vestry now assembled recommend that the Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Wm. JAMES Esq'r & Capt. SCOBELL be **requested** to become the Trustees, in execution of the above Charity according to Lady JONES' Will.

[Sgd] Geo. Treweeke SCOBELL, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Churchwardens, Walter GABY, Rich'd COX, Jas. ROSSITER, Step'n HUTTON, John BLINMAN, Petter LUDWELL.

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Vestry Room, High Littleton, 31st Aug't 1826.

At a General Vestry legally convened:

Present - Mr Churchwarden DUDDEN, in the Chair, Mr Joseph HARRIS, Churchwarden, Mr S. HUTTON, Mr James ROSSITER, Overseer, Mr MILES, on behalf of Mr BURDETT, Mr Rd. COX, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Charles TUCKER, Mr George SPREAT, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Overseer, Wm. WILLIAMS.

It was Unanimously **Resolved** that the Overseers immediately write to Mr T.O. BENNETT, Land Surveyor, offering him the Sum of £50 in full discharge of his Bill delivered, amounting to £65.11. 5.

It was also Unanimously **Resolved** that Mr [Thomas] MILES's Bill delivered respecting Mr BENNETT's Survey, amounting to £3. 5. 2, be immediately paid by the Overseers.

[Sgd] Tho's C. DUDDEN, Chairman, Joseph HARRIS, Charles TUCKER, James ROSSITER, Step'n HUTTON, Rich'd COX, Jonas WEEKS, George SPREAT, Peter LUDWELL, Wm. WILLIAMS.

Nov'r 16th 1826.

At a Vestry holden this day, due notice thereof having been given during Divine Service on Sunday the 12th Inst., the charge of Mr BENNETT, Land Surveyor, for his late survey of the Parish, was taken into consideration. Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr MILES, Mr ROSSITER, Mr DUDDEN, Mr HARRIS, Mr R. HUTTON, Mr WEEKS, Mr LUDWELL.

Under all the circumstances of the case, & under an impression that Mr BENNETT will throw back part of the amount, the Vestry now determine that the proper Parish Officers shall, as soon as they can possibly collect the Money, liquidate his Bill, but the Vestry are unanimously of opinion that the charge of £65.11. 5 made by Mr BENNETT for his Survey of this Parish, consisting of about 1,200 acres, & which charge does not include either measuring or mapping the Parish, is considerably greater than in their opinion is reasonable.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Ric'd HUTTON, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Peter LUDWELL, James ROSSITER, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's MILES for Mr BURDETT.

At the Annual Vestry, 27th March 1827.

Ordered, That the best thanks of this Vestry and Parish be presented to Mr [James], Mrs [Susannah] & Miss CRANG for their very obliging & efficient assistance and exertions in conducting the Church Music & Singing of this Parish and promoting the improvement & perfection of it, and that the same be recorded in the Vestry Book, and that Rev'd Henry H. MOGG be requested to signify the above resolution to Mr, Mrs & Miss CRANG.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, Geo. Treweeke SCOBELL, Joseph HARRIS, James ROSSITER, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Rich'd COX, Ed. DOWLING, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Ric'd HUTTON, Step'n HUTTON, Charles TUCKER, George HIGGINS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 27th 1827.

At the Annual Vestry held this day, pursuant to notice in the Church,

Resolved that Tho's Collier DUDDEN and Jos'h HARRIS be Appointed Churchwardens.

Resolved that Mr Walter GABY and Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN be Appointed Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr Jonas WEEKS and William MAGGS be appointed Collectors of Taxes for the ensuing Year.

[Sgd] James ROSSITER, Joseph HARRIS, Rich'd COX, Step'n HUTTON, Jonas WEEKS, John BLINMAN, Charles TUCKER, Peter LUDWELL, Ed. DOWLING, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 29 1827.

At a Vestry held this day, Mr [James] CRANG undertakes the Care of the Paupers of this Parish for the Sum of ten Guineas per Annum, Midwifery and Fractures not included, a farther Charge of one Guinea in either case to be made. [Sgd] Jas. CRANG.

[Sgd] Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Churchwardens. James ROSSITER, Peter LUDWELL, Overseers.

Dec'r 3rd 1827.

At a Vestry held this day,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr ROSSITER, Mr HARRIS, Mr TUCKER.

Capt. SCOBELL, the Surveyor of the Highways, reported that Gooseherd Lane is in a bad state of repair, but that as Mr Tho's JAMES, in the name of the Cowlease Coal Proprietors, did, in July 1826 at a Vestry, undertake the repairs thereof at £5 pr. year, with an undertaking that they continued the repair thereof at that rate as long as that Works might last, he now applies to the Vestry as to proceedings he shall take. The Vestry request Capt. SCOBELL to apply to Mr Tho's JAMES to know his intentions on the subject, & to act in the case as he may think best.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Joseph HARRIS, James ROSSITER, Charles TUCKER.

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At the Annual Vestry held 28 March 1828 in the Vestry room after legal Notice,

It was **Resolved**, That the best thanks of this Vestry and Parish be presented to Mrs [Hester] SCOBELL for her very obliging and efficient assistance and exertions in conducting the Church Music and singing of this Parish and promoteing (*sic*) the improvement and perfection of it, and that the same be recorded in the Vestry Book and that the Rev'd Mr [Henry Hodges] MOGG be requested to signify the above resolution to Mrs SCOBELL.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Jno. D. GREENHILL, Joseph HARRIS, Wm. WILLIAMS, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George HIGGINS, Charles TUCKER, Wm. MAGGS, Ed. DOWLING, George SPREAT, John BLINMAN.

Resolved that Mr Tho's JAMES and Mr Geo. SPREAT be appointed Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr James WEEKS & Mr James STICKLAND be appoin'd Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr John BLINMAN be appointed Perpetual Assistant Overseer, to collect the Rates, pay the Poor (with the assistance of the Select Vestry) and to perform all the other duties relating to the Office of Overseer. And that the Yearly Sum of Ten Pounds now allowed to the regular Overseers be from henceforth discontinued, and paid by way of Salary to Mr John BLINMAN for performing the before mentioned Office, it being understood that all expences paid by the Assistant Overseer (except his own personal expences at the Petty Sessions) be allowed to him in addition to his said Salary.

Resolved that Mr Joseph HARRIS and Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN be appointed Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Capt'n SCOBELL, Jno. Dory GREENHILL Esquire, Mr COX, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN, Mr Joseph HARRIS, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr Charles TUCKER, Mr George SPREAT, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr George HIGGINS, Mr William MAGGS, Mr James ROSSITER, Mr Joseph ROSSITER and Wm. WILLIAMS be appointed a Select Vestry for the year ensuing. And that a fine of one shilling be imposed on each Member of such Vestry who shall not attend each Meeting thereof, unless prevented by illness or some good reason to be allowed by the Major part of such Select Vestry, such fine to be paid to the Overseers, and to be Appropriated for such purposes as the Annual Vestry shall direct,

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Wm. WILLIAMS, Rich'd COX, Joseph HARRIS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George HIGGINS, Charles TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. MAGGS, Ed. DOWLING, George SPREAT, John BLINMAN.

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[**Resolved**] That the Overseers of this Parish do apply by Letter to Mr [Wm. GORE] LANGTON's Steward that the Cottages in Hart Lane Rented by the Parish are so much out of repair they are not habitable and if he will put them in good and substantial (*sic*) repair.

At a Select Vestry of the Parish of High Littleton, Somerset held in the Vestry Room, Friday 12th September 1828.

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Capt'n SCOBELL, J.D. GREENHILL Esq'r, Mr [Richard] COX, Mr [William] WILLIAMS, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Mr Charles TUCKER, Mr Joseph HARRIS, Mr James ROSSITER, Mr Joseph ROSSITER, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Jno. BLINMAN.

It was **resolved** that the Widow [Hannah] FORD of Farrington be allowed 4s./6d. p. Week for her three infant Children in future and that a Hat and Trousers be immediately provided by the Overseers for one of her Sons, for whom no Pay is now allowed.

It was also **resolved** that the Churchwardens and Overseers do immediately write to the Steward of Wm. GORE LANGTON Jr. Esq'r stating that the Houses in Hart's Lane at Hallatrow, rented by the Parish for the Poor, are almost uninhabitable for want of repair, and requesting that the same may be immediately repaired.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, J.D. GREENHILL, Wm. WILLIAMS, Charles TUCKER, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph HARRIS, John BLINMAN.

At the Annual Vestry held March 27th 1829,

Resolved, That the best thanks of this vestry and Parish be presented to Mrs [Hester] SCOBELL for her very obliging assistance (*sic*) and exertion in conducting the Church Music and singing of this Parish.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, J.D. GREENHILL, Joseph HARRIS, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph ROSSITER, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, James ROSSITER, Ed. DOWLING, Charles TUCKER, George HIGGINS, Peter LUDWELL, George SPREAT.

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Resolved that Jno. Dory GREENHILL Esq'r & James ROSSITER be appointed Collectors for the assessed taxed (*sic*) for the year e[n]suing 1829.

[Sgd] Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Ed. DOWLING, Joseph HARRIS, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, George SPREAT.

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The appointment of Joseph ROSSITER and Edward DOWLING as Overseers for 1829/30 was not minuted nor was the appointment of other parish officers.

October 27th 1829.

At a special Vestry held this day, to make arrangements for the better employment of the industrious Paupers who may be from time to time out of work,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr COX, Mr ROSSITER, Mr BLINMAN, Mr TUCKER, Mr WEEKS, Mr DOWLING, Mr G. SPREAT,

It is **resolved**, That Mr BLINMAN, the Acting Overseer, be empowered to employ such Men or Boys, being Parishioners of High Littleton, as may be necessitous & unable to procure work, in quarrying & breaking Stone in Grindstone Quarry, or in the Quarry at the Cross Ways. That in Grindstone Quarry the price to be paid for Quarrying shall be 4d. pr. yard & 8d. p. yard for breaking. That in the Cross Way Quarry the price for quarrying pr. yard shall be 3d. p. yard & for breaking not exceeding 5d. p. yard That, when any stones are quarried & broken, the Overseer shall take measures for disposing of the same.

26 Feb'y 1830.

At a Vestry held this day, of which due notice has been given, it was reported by the Assistant Overseer that Mr Jonas WEEKS holds in his possession about thirteen Pounds belonging to the Daughter of the late Adam WEEKS, & who is a Pauper & dependent on the Parish for sustenance. It is **ordered** that Mr BLINMAN, the Assistant Overseer, do demand the same of Mr Jonas WEEKS, & if it shall appear that he holds the said money, he shall take legal measures to obtain the payment of the same, unless it is paid within ten days from this Date. He is instructed also to demand lawful Interest for the above sum, for such period as it has been held by Mr Jonas WEEKS.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Rich'd COX, James ROSSITER, Charles TUCKER.

At the Annual vestry held this day March 26th 1830 in the Vestry Room, after legal Notice,

It was **resolved** that the Parish Clerk's salary for the future should be Three Pounds per annum.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Rich'd COX, Tho's JAMES, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Joseph HARRIS, James ROSSITER, John BLINMAN, Charles TUCKER, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS.

Also **Resolved**, That Mr Stephen HUTTON and Mr John BLINMAN be the Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that Mr Joseph HARRIS and Mr Richard COX be recommended (at the Head of the List for the Magistrates) as Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that the Sum of Ten Guineas be allowed to the Overseers for performing the Office for the year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that Mr Thomas JAMES and Farmer James HALL Jr. be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, Rich'd COX, Jos'h HARRIS, Jonas WEEKS, Charles TUCKER, Wm. WILLIAMS, Tho's JAMES.

Also **Resolved** that the best thanks of this Vestry and Parish be presented to Mrs SCOBELL for her very obliging and effectual assistance and exertions in conducting the Church Music and Singing of this Parish and promoting the improvement and perfection of it, and that the same be recorded in the Vestry Book, and that the Rev'd Mr MOGG be requested to signify the above resolution to Mrs SCOBELL.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. WILLIAMS, James ROSSITER, Joseph HARRIS, Charles TUCKER, Jonas WEEKS.

Also **Resolved** that John WILKINS be paid £2.12. 0 for the rent of the House in which Judith FORD now lives due 25th Inst't, And that the Parish Officers do rent such House for one year to Lady Day 1831 at the rent of £4, to which resolution John WILKINS (who is now present) agrees.

Also **Resolved** that Captain SCOBELL, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr George SPREAT, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr William MAGGS, Mr James ROSSITER Mr James HALL Jr., Mr Wm. WILLIAMS together with the Minister, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the year ensuing. And that a Fine of one shilling be imposed on each Member of such Vestry who shall not attend each Meeting thereof, unless prevented by illness or some good reason to be allowed by the Major part of such Select Vestry, such Fine to be paid to the Overseers, and to be appropriated for such purposes as the Annual Vestry shall direct.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Tho's JAMES, James ROSSITER, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. WILLIAMS, Charles TUCKER, Joseph HARRIS.

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High Littleton Vestry room, Dec'r 3rd 1830.

At a select Vestry held this day it was **resolved** that the Poor rates on the Houses Licensed to sell Beer should be increased in proportion to their value by such Licence.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Joseph HARRIS, Rich'd COX, Overseers, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jno. BEAK, Ed. DOWLING, Geo. SPREAT.

March 25th 1831.

At the Annual Vestry held this day in the Vestry Room, after legal Notice,

It was **Resolved** that Mr Stephen HUTTON and Mr John BLINMAN be the Churchwardens for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN and Mr Wm. MAGGS, standing at the head of the List for the Magistrates' selection, be recommended as Overseers of the Poor of the Parish for the following year.

Resolved that the Sum of Ten Guineas be allowed to the Overseers for performing the Office for the year ensuing, as an equivalent for the Expences.

Also **Resolved** that Mr Richard COX and Mr John BEAK be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the next year.

It having been suggested by Capt'n SCOBELL, who is prevented by illness from attending this Vestry, It was proposed by Mr James ROSSITER and seconded by Mr Tho's JAMES, and unanimously **resolved** That, as a mark of encouragement and approval of the Plan about to be commenced for the occupation of Field Gardens by the industrious Laborers of this Parish, the Occupiers of Field Gardens shall not be called on to pay any Parish Rates for the same for the ensuing year, and that the Parish Officers be allowed such Rates as a Disbursement in their Accounts.

Upon the Motion of Mr WILLIAMS, seconded by Mr ROSSITER, it was also **resolved** that the thanks of this Vestry be presented to Mrs SCOBELL for her kindness and exertions in conducting the Church Music of this Parish and that Rev'd H.H. MOGG be requested to convey this resolution to Mrs SCOBELL.

Also **Resolved** that Capt'n SCOBELL, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr John BEAK, Mr James ROSSITER, Mr George SPREAT, Mr James HALL Jr. and Mr Richard COX, together with the Minister, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the year ensuing, with a similar fine of One Shilling for non-attendance, as resolved per last annual Vestry.

[Sgd] Joseph HARRIS, Wm. WILLIAMS, James ROSSITER, John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS.

High Littleton Vestry room, Nov'r 4 1831.

At a Select Vestry held this Day it was **resolved** that George JAMES should Live in the Poor House Now Occupied by Josiah DURY, and have part of the Garden belonging thereto. Also that the said House shall be repaired.

Also **agreed** that Jane SAGE shall have a Garment.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Rich'd COX, Ed. DOWLING, James WEEKS, Jno. BEAK, George SPREAT.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Dec'r 2 1831.

At a Select Vestry held this Day, according to Notice,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Geo. T. SCOBELL Esq'r, Mr Wm. WILLIAMS, Mr John BEAK, George SPREAT, Edw'd DOWLING, Mr COX,

It was **Resolved** that there should be given to John GREGORY & family 1 Blanket, 1 Shirt & 1 Garment & filling for his Bed. To John JAMES 2 Blankets & 1 Garment. To Chas. MARCHANT 1 Blanket & 1 Garment. To B. JONES & family 1 Blanket, 1 Garment. John RAPPS 1 Blanket. To Jas. SALMON 1 Blanket. Dinah BATH 1 Blanket & 1 Garment. Jane SAGE 1 Blanket & 1 Garment. Jos'h TUCKER 1 Blanket. Jas. BRIMBLE 2 Blankets. Sam'l BRIMBLE 1 Shirt & Tho's CARTER 1 pr. of Trowsers & Widow FORD's Son at Farrington 1 pr. of Shoes, 1 Pinefore & Hat. Likewise that Jane TUCKER was to be paid 2/0 pr. Week instead of 1/6d.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 24 1832.

At a Select Vestry held this Day, It was **Agreed** that, as there was Two & half Rates at 5d. in the pound Due from HEIGHGROVE Coal Company To This parish, and in Consequence of the said Coal works not being in Work for the Last 2 Months, It is agreed that they should be allowed One Rate by paying the Other One and half Rate.

Present: [Sgd] John BLINMAN, William MAGGS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Rich'd COX, Geo. SPREAT, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Jno. BEAK, James WEEKS.

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March 26, 1832.

At an Annual Vestry held this Day in the Vestry Room after Legal Notice, It was **Resolved** that Mr Tho's HARRISON and Mr Jas. STRICKLAND (*sic*), standing at the head of the List for the Magistrates' Selection, be recommended as Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing Year.

Resolved that the Sum of Ten Guineas be Allowed to the Overseers for performing the Office for the Year ensuing, as an equavelant (*sic*) for Expences.

Also **resolved** that Mr Peter LUDWELL and Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH be Appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the next Year.

Also **Resolved** that Capt'n SCOBELL, Mr Tho's JAMES, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr John BEAK, Mr George SPREAT, Mr James HALL Jun'r, Mr Rich'd COX, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH, Mr Hugh JAMES Together with the Minister, Churchwardens and Overseers of the poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the ensuing Year, with a similar fine for Non attendance as resolved upon Last annual Vestry.

[Sgd] Rich'd COX, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Ed. DOWLING, Wm. MAGGS, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Hugh JAMES, Geo. SPREAT.

June 1st 1832.

At a Select Vestry held this day in the Parish Church of High Littleton after legal Notice being given, It was **resolved** that the undersigned do consent and agree that the sum of £12 be given on part of the Parish of High Littleton, toward apprenticing William BROOKS, son of Geo. BROOKS of this Parish, & that the said Geo. BROOK[S] do agree to pay the sum of £8, to James MOOR of this Parish residing at Hallatrow, which making the Sum of £20, and that the said James MOOR do agree to maintain, lodge & Cloth him until the said Will'm BROOKS is 21 Years of age.

[Sgd] The mark of James MOOR x, The mark of Geo. BROOKS x.

Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, George SPREAT, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Hugh JAMES, Ed. DOWLING, Tho's HARRISON, James STICKLAND, Overseers, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens.

High Littleton Select Vestry Room, Sep'r 21st 1832.

At a Vestry held this day after legal Notice being given, it was **resolved** that Elijah SMITH do pay for his House pay 2s. 6d. Pr. Rate instead of 10d., owing to his now keeping a Beer House, and that Elijah CHIVERS do pay 10d. Pr. Rate for his House as he lives in at present, being his own Property, & also **resolved** that Thomas VOAKS of Hallatrow & Thomas WEEKS of High Littleton do pay a Rate according to the Valuation.

Present: [Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Churchw'dn, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. MAGGS, Hugh JAMES, Geo. SPREAT, James STICKLAND, Tho's HARRISON, Overseers.

October 3rd 1832.

At a meeting held this day in the vestry room to arrange precautions against the cholera, which is unhappily now in the adjoining Parish of Paulton,

It is **resolved** that the following measures be adopted without delay, by the Overseers:

1. 4 Pair of Blankets to be purchased, 6 Bedcases & Bolsters & more if required, to be filled with straw or chaff, if required. That all the indigent Poor, who have not within twelve months been supplied with a change of Body linen, & are now without the same, be forthwith furnished therewith.
2. That such as are unable to purchase soap for washing their Linen, be supplied with sufficient quantity for that purpose.
3. That every room in the poor Houses shall have at least one Casement, that Lime be supplied to all applicants, for the purpose of washing their Houses.
4. That chloride of lime, Vitriol or vinegar be used in filthy & infected Houses.
5. That as the House of James SAGE, from the size of his family, be an object of immediate consideration, Mr MAGGS is authorised to take such measures for cleansing the same, as he thinks necessary.

That in the event of the Cholera appearing in this Parish:

6. That Lime be placed near the Houses in which it may exist & that Fires, with Pitch or Tar, or other matter to create smoke & purify the air, be made.
7. That Medicine be left at Tho's HARRISON's for the Poor of Hallatrow, & at Mr MAGGS' for the Poor of High Littleton.
8. That if any death shall occur from cholera in this Parish, the entire Bed, Bedding and all clothes, which the deceased may have worn subsequent to the attack, be immediately burnt, & other bed & bedding supplied in lieu, If required.
9. The Interment to be as speedy as practicable & the Body to be borne to the Grave either in a Cart or a Bier made for the purpose, & the Graves to be at least Eight feet deep.

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10. That a small space be procured in some central situation between High Littleton & Hallatrow for interring the dead. Messrs BEAK, COX, BLINMAN, HARRISON & DUDDEN are requested to look out a spot, & to apply to the Owner for permission on behalf of this meeting in the name of this Parish, trusting that from the peculiar circumstances & from a feeling of Humanity, such Owner will consent thereto, The Parish undertaking to fence such spot & to pay any reasonable charge.

11. That the overseers are desired to give notice on Sunday next for a vestry on the following Thursday at ten o'clock, to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Tho's HARRISON, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Hugh JAMES, Wm. MAGGS.

Vestry Room, High Littleton, October 11th 1832.

At a Special Vestry convened this day in pursuance of Notice given in the Church last Sunday.

It was Moved by Capt'n SCOBELL and Seconded by Capt'n [*Benjamin Morton*] FESTING that the several Resolutions passed at the Meeting of the 3rd instant be now confirmed, which was **carried** unanimously.

It was unanimously **resolved** that application be immediately made to Mr [*John George*] MOGG of Farrington for permission to appropriate one corner of a Field called Langford's Way in Langford's Lane as a Place of Burial, agreeably to the 10th Resolution of the Meeting of the 3rd Inst't, that spot being considered by those deputed to look out for the purpose, as a very suitable one.

It was also unanimously **Resolved** that Public Notice be immediately given for calling a General Meeting of the Inhabitants of this Parish, for Monday next, 10 o'Clock, in the Vestry Room, for the purpose of determining upon the establishment of a Board of Health for this Parish.

It was also unanimously **Resolved** that, as some of the measures agreed upon at the last Meeting have not been carried into effect, the Overseers are directed to effect such measures immediately.

It was also unanimously **Resolved** that a Hundred of Rice and half a Hundred of Soap, or more if required, be immediately purchased, one half of which be placed with Mr MAGGS, and the other half with Mr HARRISON, and to be given by them to the Poor of this Parish (whether Paupers or not), in a dry state, on two days in each Week, in such quantities as the state of the Families may require, and that Captain SCOBELL, Captain FESTING, and Farmer WEYMOUTH and Mr [*Hugh*] JAMES for High Littleton, and Mr Richard COX, Farmer Jonas WEEKS, and Farmer [*Edward*] DOWLING and William WILLIAMS for Hallatrow, with the Churchwardens and Overseers, be authorized to issue Tickets for such Rice and Soap in the different Hamlets.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Wm. WILLIAMS, Rich'd COX, Wm. MAGGS, Tho's HARRISON, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Jonas WEEKS, Hugh JAMES.

October 15th 1832.

At a meeting of the Ratepayers & Inhabitants assembled by due Notice,

It was **resolved**, That Immediate application be made to the proper quarter, for the establishment of a Board of Health, in consequence of the prevailing Cholera in the adjoining village of Paulton,

That the following persons be recommended to form the same board: The Rev'd Henry MOGG [*Vicar added in pencil*], Captain SCOBELL, Magistrates, Captain FESTING, Mr BEAK, Mr COX, Mr DUDDEN, Mr MAGGS, Mr WILLIAMS, Mr CRANG, Surgeon, Mr J. JAMES, Mr WEYMOUTH and the Parish Officers, and that Mr [*William*] WILLIAMS be requested to make the necessary application forthwith.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Wm. MAGGS, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN.

October 25 1832.

At a Select Vestry this day assembled by due notice, for the special purpose of considering of deputing Power to the Board of Health, appointed by His Majesty's Privy Council, for this Parish, & arrangements connected therewith,

Present - Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Capt. SCOBELL, Capt. FESTING, Mr BEAK, Mr DUDDEN, Mr BLINMAN, Mr DOWLING, Mr MAGGS, Mr STICKLAND, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr SPREAT, Mr J. JAMES,

The Documents forwarded from the Central Board of Health having been placed before the said Vestry,

This Meeting is of opinion that, unless the Landed Proprietors of this Parish, so far as depends on them, will enable the Vestry, the Tenantry & the Board of Health, to make arrangements for the prevention & mitigation of Cholera, that the responsibility of any evil consequences that may ensue, will not rest with the Vestry, the Tenantry or the Board of Health.

That as the Meeting is not in a position to determine what Powers shall be deputed to the Board of Health, **Resolved** - That this Vestry be adjourned to Saturday the 27th inst. at 11 o'Clock, & that in the meantime, the Churchwardens are requested to apply to the Misses [*Mary Ann & Frances Skey*] LANGFORD (as the principal resident Landholders in Hallatrow), on behalf of this Meeting, for a small spot in that Tything, in any convenient

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situation, for the purpose of a burial place, if it should unhappily be required for persons dying of Cholera in that part of the Parish, and also to apply to Mr *[Thomas]* MILES, as the representative of Mr *[William Jones]* BURDETT, for a spot for the same purpose at High Littleton.

Resolved that immediate application be made to the Privy Council, to add Messrs FLOWER & LEACH to the Board of Health of this Parish.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Ch'n, B.M. FESTING, G.T. SCOBELL, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Jas. STICKLAND, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Wm. MAGGS, Hugh JAMES, George SPREAT, John Hill JAMES, Peter LUDWELL.

November 2nd 1832.

At a Meeting of the Select Vestry of this Parish convened by Public Notice in the Parish Church,

It was **Resolved** that, as the Vestry at present refuse to grant any Power to the Board of Health, this Meeting be adjourned to next Friday at 11 o'Clock, with Power to any two Members of this Vestry to convene a Meeting of it earlier in case of emergency.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Ch'n.

November 9th 1832.

At an adjourned Select Vestry this day, an estimate of a Sum of Money, amounting to £20, was submitted, to be placed at the disposal of the Board of Health, (if the same should be required).

Present - Rev'd H. MOGG, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr BEAK(E), Mr BLINMAN, Mr MAGGS, Mr SPREAT, Mr WEEKS, Mr Hugh JAMES for his Mother *[Mary]*, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr Edw'd DOWLING.

On being put to the Vote the above item was refused by the majority, & also the said majority refused to consent to give the Board of Health any power whatever.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Ch'n.

16th Nov'r 1832.

At a Vestry held this day, after legal Notice being given, it was **resolved** that Ann HASSALL *[HASELL or HAZELL]* do from this time pay a Rate according to the Valuation, towards the Poor of High Littleton, for a House now Occupied by her, unless she can show cause thereof.

Signed - T.C. DUDDEN, George SPREAT, Jonas WEEKS, H. JAMES, Jno. BEAK, Church Warden, Thomas HARRISON, Overseer.

March 27th 1833.

At an Annual Vestry held this day in the Vestry Room, after Legal Notice being given,

It was **resolved** that Jonas WEEKS and Mr Geo. KEELING, Standing at the head of the List for the Magistrates' Selection, be recommended as Overseers of the Poor for the Ensuing Year.

Resolved that the sum of Ten Guineas be allowed to the Overseers for performing the Office for the Year ensuing, as an equavelant (*sic*) for Expences.

Also **Resolved** that Thomas HARRISON and James STICKLAND be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the Year Ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that Capt'n SCOBELL, Mr Rich'd COX, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH, Mr James STICKLAND, Mr Geo. KEELING, Mr James HALL, Mr Thomas Collier DUDDEN, Mr Edward DOWLING & Mr Wm. MAGGS, Thomas HARRISON, Mr Geo. SPREAT, together with the Minister, Church-wardens and Overseers of the Poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the Year ensuing, with a fine of One Shilling for Non attendance, as resolved upon last annual Vestry.

Also **resolved** that at the Monthly Select Vestry all Accounts of the Overseers shall be investigated for approval.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Rich'd COX, Jas. STICKLAND, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Jonas WEEKS, Geo. SPREAT, Jno. BEAK, Geo. KEELING, Tho's HARRISON, James HALL, Tho's C. DUDDEN, John BLINMAN, Hugh JAMES.

June 28th 1833.

At a Vestry held this day, after legal Notice being given, it was **resolved** that James VATOR's Wife of Tunley, belonging to this Parish, be allowed 1/- pr. Week from the date hereof.

Also **Resolved** that George MULLETT do from this date pay 3/- P'r Rate in place of 1/6¼, on account of keeping a Beer House.

Also **Resolved** that 1/- pr. Week be allowed for looking after Geo. EVANS's Children, having being allowed 2/6 pr. Week previous to the date hereof.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church-wardens, Geo. KEELING, Jonas WEEKS, Overseers, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Tho's HARRISON, James STICKLAND, Tho's C. DUDDEN,

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Sep'r 20th 1833.

At a Vestry held this day, after legal Notice being given, it was **resolved** that Geo. BLINMAN and Abraham COLLIER do from this time pay poor Rates for the Houses in which they reside, being their property.

Also **Resolved** that the undersigned do agree to contribute yearly the sum of £2. 2. 0 to the Bath Hospital, to be paid yearly and every year by the then Overseers.

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church-wardens, Geo. KEELING, Jonas WEEKS, Overseers, Rich'd COX, Thomas HARRISON, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Geo. SPREAT, Hugh JAMES.

Jan'y 10th 1834.

At a Select Vestry held this day, after legal Notice being given, it was **resolved** not to pay Messrs HILL and WILLIAMS's Bill as it respects the Law suit between High Littleton and Paulton Parishes as it relates to Joseph DANDO's Family. But it was agreed by us, the undersigned, to have it sent to the Tax Master in London, to have his opinion before paying the Bill.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Churchwardens, Geo. KEELING, Jonas WEEKS, Overseers, James HALL, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Ed. DOWLING, J. STICKLAND, Geo. SPREAT, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

March 26th 1834.

At an Annual Vestry held this day in the Vestry Room at High Littleton, after Legal Notice being given, It was **resolved** that Peter LUDWELL for the Down Estate and James HALL for Broomhill Estate, standing at the Head of the List for the Magistrates' selection, be recomm'ed as Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that the sum of Ten Guineas be allowed to the Overseers for performing the Office for the year ensuing, as an equavelant (*sic*) for Expences.

Also **Resolved** that Jonas WEEKS and Geo. KEELING be appointed Collectors of the assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that Captain SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, John JAMES, Edward DOWLING, Richard COX, William WEYMOUTH, Thomas Collier DUDDEN, Wm. MAGGS, James STICKLAND, Thomas HARRISON, Jonas WEEKS, Geo. KEELING and Hugh JAMES, together with the Minister, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the Year ensuing, with a Fine of One Shilling for Non-attendance, as resolved upon last Annual Vestry.

Also **Resolved** that at the Monthly Select Vestry all accounts of the Overseers shall be investigated for approval.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, John JAMES, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Tho's HARRISON, Wm. WEYMOUTH, James STICKLAND, Hugh JAMES.

March 26 1834.

At an annual Vestry held this Day at the Vestry Room at High Littleton Church, after Legal Notice being Given, and afterwards ajourned (*sic*) to the House of William MAGGS, it was **resolved** that there should be An Assistant Overseer appointed At the Yearly Salary of £21 pr. Annum, and We, the undersigned, do Consider William MAGGS as A fit and proper person to Serve the Office.

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Tho's JAMES, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Geo. KEELING, Ed DOWLING, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Hugh JAMES, James STICKLAND, Peter LUDWELL.

3 Oct'r 1834.

A Select Vestry this day, **Ordered**, in consequence of the new Poor Law Bill, that the Select Vestries be holden hereafter every Fortnight & that notice thereof be given in the Church during Divine Service.

Ordered that Benj'n PRIDDY be allowed £1 to take himself, his Wife & Daughter to Wales, where he states he can get work.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Rich'd COX, John BEAK, Geo. KEELING, J. HALL, John BLINMAN.

At a General Vestry held this Day Oct'r 31st 1834 at the Vestry Room at High Littleton,

It was unanimously **Resolved** that the Grateful thanks of the Inhabitants of this Parish Assembled in Vestry be presented To Mrs SCOBELL for her very Obliging and Efficient Service In Gratuitously playing the Organ In High Littleton Church.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Rich'd COX, John JAMES, Ed. DOWLING, Jas. HALL, James STICKLAND, Thomas HARRISON, William MAGGS, Wm. WEYMOUTH.

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Also **Resolved** that the Churchwardens shall Collect a Church rate at 2½d. in the pound for the Year ending Easter 1835 and the Churchwardens shall be Authorised to pay the sum of £12 for the Alteration of the Organ out of the said Rate, and the remainder of the Expence for the Organ to be raised by A Supsirtion (*sic*).

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, B.M. FESTING, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Rich'd COX, John JAMES, Jno. BEAK, Ed. DOWLING, J. HALL, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Thomas HARRISON, John BLINMAN, William MAGGS.

March 27 1835.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day at the Vestry Room at High Littleton, it was **Agreed** that Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH and Mr Edward DOWLING, Standing at the Head of the List for the Magistrates' Selection, be recommended as Overseers for the Year ensuing.

Also **resolved** that James HALL and Peter LUDWELL be Appointed Collectors (*sic*) of the Assessed Taxes for the Year ensuing.

Also **Resolved** that Capt'n SCOBELL, Richard COX, Edward DOWLING, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Tho's Collier DUDDEN, James ST(R)ICKLAND, Thomas HARRISON, James HALL, Charles HALL, Jonas WEEKS, together with the Minister, Churchwardens & Overseers of the Poor, be appointed a Select Vestry for the Year ensuing, with a fine of 6d. for Non attendance (*sic*); The Vestry to be held every fortnight, the first to be on Thursday next April 2d 1835.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, John JAMES, Rich'd COX, Jno. BEAK, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Thomas HARRISON, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, John BLINMAN, Jas. HALL.

March 27 1835.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day at the Vestry Room at High Littleton Church, after Legal Notice being Given and afterwards Ajourned (*sic*) to the House of Wm. MAGGS, Assistant Overseer, It was **Agreed** to Appoint the said Wm. MAGGS as Assistant Overseer for the Ensuing Year at the Same Salery (*sic*) as Last Year.

[Sgd] Rich'd COX, John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, Ed. DOWLING.

March 24th 1836.

At the Annual Vestry this day assembled,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr DUDDEN, Mr C. HALL, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr MAGGS, Mr COX, Mr BEAK, Mr J. HALL, Mr BLINMAN, Mr DOWLING, Mr WEEKS, Mr STICKLAND, for the nomination of Overseers & other business & passing the Accounts.

In compliance with the Highway Act 5 & 6 Wm. 4th C.50, the Vestry proceeded to the election of Surveyors for High Littleton. Mr BEAK named Mr William WEYMOUTH & Mr John POW, residing at Farmborough - Seconded by Mr Jas. HALL. On a show of hands the above persons were unanimously **elected** as Surveyors.

As Surveyors for Hallatrow, Mr BLINMAN & Mr DOWLING were proposed by Mr COX, seconded by Mr DUDDEN & unanimously **elected**.

The Surveyors are authorized to procure the Highway Act, one for High Littleton & another for Hallatrow.

Resolved that Mr John JAMES & Mr Charles HALL be nominated for the office of Overseers for the ensuing year, and that Mr Edward DOWLING and Mr William WEYMOUTH be appointed collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the same period.

Resolved that Mr MAGGS, the Assistant Overseer, be desired to attend the Board of Guardians tomorrow, to request their opinion respecting Mathew PURNELL, removed to this Parish from St. Martin's in the Fields under an order from Magistrates but, who appears from his examination, to belong to the Parish of Paulton.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Wm. WEYMOUTH, John BEAK, Charles HALL, James STICKLAND, Rich'd COX, Jonas WEEKS, Ed. DOWLING, James HALL, Wm. MAGGS, John BLINMAN.

April 4th 1836.

Resolved at a vestry holden the 4th of April 1836, that the cottages now standing on the Book, and those since erected, be henceforth assessed and rates collected.

[Sgd] B. Morton FESTING, H.H. MOGG, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Churchwardens, Charles HALL, J.H. JAMES, Overseers, Rich'd COX, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. MAGGS, Edward DOWLING, Wm. WEYMOUTH.

April 20th 1836.

At a general vestry held this day it was **resolved**, that Mr Henry BLINMAN be appointed as a deputy collector of poor Rates, for this Parish, under the superintendence of Mr John JAMES & Charle[s] HALL, the overseers, who will remunerate him for his trouble.

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[Sgd] B. Morton FESTING, Chairman, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Rich'd COX, Tho's C. DUDDEN, Edward DOWLING, William MAGGS, J.H. JAMES, Charles HALL, Overseers.

15th Oct. 1836.

Resolved at a General Meeting held this day that, in consequence of the Poor Law Amendment Bill, that from and after this date, any member of the Vestry not attending Fortnightly, shall, for every neglect, be fined the sum of Sixpence and the said fines shall defray the expence of the Yearly Meeting holden on or near Lady day yearly. [not signed].

At a vestry held in the Parish Church March 27th 1837:

Messrs Charles HATHWAY & Charles DOLEMAN were duly **elected** to serve the office of Overseers of the Poor for the year ending March 1838, for the Parish of High Littleton.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, B. Morton FESTING.

At a vestry held this day March 27th, Messrs Tho's Collier DUDDEN & Jonas WEEKS were duly **elected** to serve the office of Surveyors of the Highway for the Tything of Hallatrow and Messrs George WYATT & Charles HALL for High Littleton.

[Sgd] B. Morton FESTING.

and that Messrs Charles HALL & Jonas WEEKS to serve the office of Collectors for the Parish of High Littleton for the year ending March 1838.

[Sgd] B. Morton FESTING, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Wm. MAGGS, Jonas WEEKS, Chas. HALL, Jas. HALL, Jno. BEAK.

At a General Vestry held in the Vestry room of the Parish Church on 8th day of January 1838, after due Notice, "for the purpose of considering and adopting the necessary measures for making a new Poor Rate for this Parish, agreeably to the Act for regulating Parochial Assessments and the Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners thereon, and on other matters."

Present: Capt'n SCOBELL in the Chair, Farmer John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Churchwardens, Thomas HARRISON, Overseer, Edward DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Tho's Collier DUDDEN, Chas. HALL, Mr WILLIAMS. Afterwards - The Rev'd H.H. MOGG.

It was Moved by Mr John BLINMAN, and Seconded by Mr Charles HALL, That a new Valuation and Rate be made for this Parish for the purposes of the Parochial Assessment Act. Upon putting the Question, the following Votes were given:

		<u>Votes</u>
For	Mr John BLINMAN	6
	Charles HALL	6
	John BEAK	6
	Jonas WEEKS	5
	Thomas HARRISON	<u>1</u>
		<u>24</u>
Against	Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN	<u>1</u>

Capt'n SCOBELL, The Rev'd H.H. MOGG and Mr WILLIAMS declined to vote.

The Motion was accordingly **carried**.

It was **resolved** that the Map of the Parish now produced, copied and revised in 1825 by Mr T.O. BENNETT, Surveyor of Bruton, be adopted as correct, and therefore no new Admeasurement will be required, and that the Surveyor or others to be appointed, be required to View and Value each Piece of Land separately at p. Acre, according to the Quantity in the Reference Book of the Map of 1825, which Quantities the Surveyor and others are to be supplied with, and that the said Surveyors and others Value the Lands, Houses and other rateable Property in the Parish agreeably to the requirements and Instructions of the Poor Law Commissioners.

It was **resolved** that Mr Henry BLINMAN be employed to make a Copy of the above Reference Book, omitting the Value and amount of Poor Rate, but classifying the Occupations as they stand at present, and that the fair Charge he may make for the same be added to the expence of the new Valuation and be paid as part of the Expences thereof.

It was **resolved** that the Parish Officers do write Letters to Mr Chas. WAINWRIGHT, Surveyor of Shepton, Mr John Millard TUCKER, Surveyor of Bristol, and Mr G.C. ASHMEAD of Bristol and Mr Saunders PEPPER of Birmingham, requesting to be informed at what Sum they will make the new Valuation and Poor's rate, upon the principles before mentioned, including every expence - the whole Parish containing 1257a. 0r. 29p.

It was **resolved** that this Vestry do adjourn to this day fortnight, in this place, at Eleven o'Clock, to consider of the replies to be received from the different Surveyors.

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[Sgd] George Treweeke SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Thomas HARRISON, Charles HALL, Edward DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WILLIAMS, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

High Littleton Vestry room, 22nd Jan'y 1838.

At a General Vestry held this day, by adjournment from the 8th day of January instant.

Present: Capt'n SCOBELL in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr John BEAK, Churchwardens, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Overseer, Mr William MAGGS, Mr George WYATT, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH.

It was Moved by Mr Jonas WEEKS, Seconded by Mr John BLINMAN, that Mr Charles WAINWRIGHT of Shepton Mallet be recommended to the Board of Guardians as the Surveyor to be appointed by them to Survey and Value this Parish and make a new Poor Rate, agreeably to the Parochial Assessments Act, upon the terms he has offered, Viz't £25, including every expence, which was **Carried** Unanimously (the Chairman and Mr WILLIAMS not Voting), provided he will undertake to complete the rate by Lady Day next.

It was Moved by Mr BEAK, and Seconded by Mr Jonas WEEKS, that the Parish Officers take measures for procuring a Sale of the House and Land at High Littleton belonging to this Parish at the earliest possible period, and that this Vestry recommend that the Produce of such Sale be applied towards the Instalments payable from this Parish for the Building of the Union Workhouse. - **Carried** Unanimously.

It was moved by Mr WILLIAMS, Seconded by Mr WEYMOUTH, That, as Mr John BEAK has offered to accept possession of the Tenement rented by the Parish of him at Midsummer next, provided the other Landlords, under which the Parish hold Houses will do the same, the Parish Officers do immediately apply to such other Landlords for their decision, and if they agree to accept it, Possession of all such Parish Houses be given up at Midsummer next accordingly. - **Carried** Unanimously.

It was Moved by Mr Charles HALL, Seconded by Mr Wm. MAGGS, and **Carried** Unanimously, that, in order to enable the Parish Officers to meet the Call made on them by the Union of £150.13. 1, this Vestry concur in a temporary fivepenny rate being made by them and collected between this and Lady day, and in order to meet the requisitions of the Poor Law Commissioners and the Parochial Assessment Act, the "Gross Estimated Rental" be found by adding 20 pr. cent to the present "Amount at which the Property is assessed" in the Poor Rate made 23rd September last, and that the "Rateable Value" be found by adding to such last mentioned Amount 15 pr. cent.

It was Unanimously **resolved** that Thomas WEEKS, for High Littleton and Samuel WYATT, for Hallatrow, be employed to shew the Surveyor the different Lands and Premises, when making his Valuation.

The Map of 1825 and Reference Book were handed to Mr Henry BLINMAN for his making the necessary Copy for the Surveyor agreed on at the last Vestry.

The Guardian, Mr WILLIAMS, was **authorized** to apply to the Board of Guardians for the necessary Orders to effect the intended Survey and Valuation, and for authority to defray the Expences thereof not exceeding Thirty Guineas, Mr Henry BLINMAN engaging to make the Copy for Four Pounds.

[**Resolved**] That this Vestry be adjourned to this day fortnight in this Place at Eleven o'Clock.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Wm. WILLIAMS, Wm. MAGGS, Char's HALL, Jonas WEEKS, Geo. WYATT, Edward DOWLING, Tho's HARRIS.

Vestry Room, High Littleton, 5th Feb'y 1838.

At a General Vestry Meeting held by adjournment as above from the 22nd day of January last,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BEAK in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr Tho's HARRISON, Overseer, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Chas. DOLMAN, Mr Wm. MAGGS, Mr George WYATT, Mr Henry BLINMAN.

Mr WILLIAMS reported that he had received a Letter from Mr WAINWRIGHT stating that he, if approved of by the Board of Guardians, would endeavor to complete the intended Survey by Lady Day next.

The necessary request from the Parish Officers and Inhabitants to the Board of Guardians, to apply to the Poor Law Commissioners to consent to a Sale of the Parish House and Garden, was signed by all now present, and the Guardian was **authorized** to present it to the Board on Friday next.

[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26th March 1838.

At the Annual Vestry held as above,

Present - Jno. Ustick SCOBELL Esq're, in the Chair, Mr WILLIAMS, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr Tho's Collier DUDDEN, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr William MAGGS, Mr James HALL, Mr Tho's HARRISON, Overseer, Mr Chas. HALL, Chas. DOLMAN, George WYATT, James STICKLAND, Overseer, Wm. WEYMOUTH.

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A List of ten Persons qualified to serve the Office of Overseers was made out, headed by John Usticke SCOBELL Esq're and Mr William MAGGS, and the Vestry **agreed** to recommend those two named for the appointment of the Magistrates.

Messrs James STICKLAND and Thomas HARRISON were **appointed** Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

It was Moved by Mr WILLIAMS, and Seconded by Mr Jonas WEEKS, that a General Vestry be called by the Parish Officers once every Quarter for the purpose of examining the Quarterly Lists of Paupers, and offering suggestions thereon for the consideration of the Board of Guardians, through the Guardian for this Parish. **Carried** Unanimously.

It was Moved by Mr BEAK, and Seconded by Mr Edward DOWLING that the Vestry agree to impose upon themselves individually a Fine of two shillings and six pence for nonattendance at such Quarterly Vestry Meetings - and upon a show of Hands it was **carried** by a Majority of 8.

It was Moved by Mr WILLIAMS and Seconded by Mr Jno. BLINMAN that Messrs John BEAK and James HALL be appointed to the Office of Surveyor for the Tithing of High Littleton for the year ensuing, and **carried** by a Majority of 9.

It was Moved by Mr WILLIAMS, and Seconded by Mr Jno. BEAK, and **carried** Unanimously that Messrs Thomas Collier DUDDEN and Jonas WEEKS be appointed to the Office of Surveyor for the Tithing of Hallatrow for the year ensuing, they having consented to serve.

The different Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways were examined and allowed.

[Sgd] J. Usticke SCOBELL (Chairman), Wm. WILLIAMS, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Edward DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WEYMOUTH, James HALL, Charles HALL, George WYATT, Tho's C. DUDDEN.

Parish of High Littleton, Clutton Union, County of Somerset.

At a Meeting of the Rate Payers of the said Parish, and Owners of Property therein entitled to vote, pursuant to the Provisions of an Act passed in the 4th and 5th years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William 4th, intituled "An Act for the amendment and better administration of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales", held at the Vestry Room of the Church in the said Parish, on Monday the thirtieth day of April 1838, pursuant to Notice of such Meeting duly given, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Chairman,

It was **Resolved**, by a Majority of such Rate payers and Owners present in person or (as respects Owners) by Proxy, at such Meeting, That this Meeting do consent to the Guardians of the Poor of the said Union selling the Premises described in the Margin hereof, under the Provisions of an Act passed in the 5th and 6th years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the fourth, intituled (*sic*) "An Act to facilitate the conveyance of Workhouses and other property of Parishes and of Incorporations or Unions of Parishes in England and Wales", in such manner, and subject to such rules, orders, and regulations touching such Sale, the conveyance of such property, and the application of the produce arising therefrom, for the permanent advantage of this Parish, as the Poor Law Commissioners for England and Wales shall in that behalf direct.

[In margin] A Freehold Tenement or Dwelling House situate at High Littleton with a piece of Garden Ground adjoining thereto, containing about twenty six perches. [Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Minister, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, [blank], William MAGGS, Overseers.

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<u>For the Resolution</u>			<u>Against the Resolution</u>		
<u>Name</u>	<u>No. of Votes as Owner</u>	<u>No. of Votes as Rate Payer</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>No. of Votes as Owner</u>	<u>No. of Votes as Rate Payer</u>
William WILLIAMS		1			
Edward DOWLING		1			
John BLINMAN		2			
James HALL Jr.		1			
William MAGGS		1			
George WYATT		1			
William WEYMOUTH		<u>1</u>			
Total		<u>8</u>			

At a General Vestry held in the Vestry Room on Thursday the 10th May 1838, after legal Notice,

"to consider of the propriety of revoking a Resolution of a former Vestry for recommending to the Board of Guardians the employment of Mr Chas. WAINWRIGHT to make a new Survey and Valuation of this Parish and a Poor Rate founded thereon."

Present: Capt'n SCOBELL in the Chair, J. Usticke SCOBELL Esq're, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Edward DOWLING.

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It was Moved by Mr Edward DOWLING, Seconded by Mr Jonas WEEKS, and **Carried** Unanimously, "That there is no satisfactory reason for believing that Mr WAINWRIGHT, as was supposed, had seen the Reference Book made by Mr T.O. BENNETT in 1825 contrary to the intentions of the Parishioners when they agreed to recommend him to the Board of Guardians to make the intended new Survey, Valuation and Poor Rate, and that Mr WILLIAMS, the Guardian, be requested to move the Board that (the Poor Law Commissioners having confirmed his appointment) Mr WAINWRIGHT be desired to attend at the Board to execute the necessary Contract, and at the same time to attend a Parish Vestry here to receive and give any necessary explanations as to the Survey etc. and that he (Mr WAINWRIGHT) write to the Parish Officers of High Littleton with as long a Notice as he can of the day he can attend such Vestry."

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Chairman, Wm. WILLIAMS, John BLINMAN, Jonas WEEKS, Ed. DOWLING.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Wednesday Afternoon 13th June 1838.

At a Vestry Meeting held as above,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BEAK, in the Chair, Churchwarden BLINMAN, Wm. MAGGS, Overseer, James HALL, Charles HALL, Edward DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, Charles DOMAN, Wm. WILLIAMS.

The Quarterly List of Paupers was gone through, and suggestions offered thereon agreeably to the Resolution of the Vestry Meeting held 26 March last.

The following Persons incurred the Fine of 2s/6d for non-attendance - Jno. Usticke SCOBELL Esq're, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Mr Tho's HARRISON, Mr Geo. WYATT, Mr James STICKLAND, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Saturday Morning 11th August 1838.

At a General Vestry convened after legal Notice by Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden and Mr Wm. MAGGS, Overseer, and Posted on the Church Door on Sunday the 5th of August instant,

"respecting the suspended Orders made by the Magistrates on Benjamin TUCKER, Son of John TUCKER, now in a Lunatic Asylum in London, and on other Parish Business."

Present: Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WILLIAMS.

Resolved Unanimously, That Mr WILLIAMS go to Timsbury and take the Examination of John TUCKER, the Father of Benjamin TUCKER, and report same to an adjourned Vestry to be held here on Wednesday Morning next at 11 o'Clock for consideration.

Resolved Unanimously, That Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS of Hallatrow be instructed to prepare a Case for the Opinion of Counsel as to the Settlement of Harriett STONE and her two Children.

Resolved Unanimously, That the Overseers do procure 250 Circulars of the following Notice of Vestries, and send one to each Rate Payer assessed to the Value of Ten Pounds and upwards, whenever a Vestry is legally convened, in order to ensure Attendance at Vestries; and that the Expences attending the Printing and delivering such Circulars be allowed the Overseers in their Accounts. Viz't:

"You are requested to attend a [blank] Vestry to be held in the Vestry Room at High Littleton on [blank] next at [blank] o'Clock in the [blank] on Parochial business, particularly [stating the particular business].

Dated this [blank] day of [blank] 183[]. (Signed) [blank], Overseer."

Resolved Unanimously, That this Vestry stand adjourned to Wednesday Morning next at 11 o'Clock at this place.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman, Jno. BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WILLIAMS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Wednesday Morning, 15th Aug't 1838.

At an adjourned Vestry,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN in the Chair, Mr Wm. MAGGS, Overseer, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian.

Mr WILLIAMS produced the Examination of John TUCKER, (who also attended this Vestry and gave further Information, which was then embodied in such Examination, and Sworn to) as to the Settlement of Benjamin TUCKER, when there appeared grounds for considering that he was not legally settled in this Parish, and Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS were **instructed** to take the Examination of his Mother on her return from London, and the Parish Officers were thereupon to call a fresh Vestry for its consideration.

Mr WILLIAMS also produced the Draft of the Case for the Opinion of Counsel as to the Settlement of Harriett STONE, which was **approved** of.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman, William MAGGS, Wm. WILLIAMS.

High Littleton, Vestry Room, Friday Evening 16th Nov'r 1838.

At a General Vestry, convened after legal Notice posted on the Church Door on the previous Sunday, "for the purpose of examining the Rate, and other Business."

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Present: Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian.

The new Survey, Valuation and Poor Rate made by Mr WAINWRIGHT were produced and considered, when it was **Resolved** Unanimously that Mr WILLIAMS return same to Mr WAINWRIGHT, requesting him to make the Poor Rate correct by filling in the two Columns for the No. of Votes of Occupiers and Owners, agreeably to Section 40 of the Poor Law Amendment Act of 4 & 5 Wm. 4 C.76 and by inserting in the 6th Column of the Poor Rate the description of the Buildings (namely whether Dwelling House, Outhouse etc.) from the 1st Column of the Survey or Valuation Book, and also requesting him to return the Terrier prepared by Henry BLINMAN.

It was also **Resolved** unanimously that, subject to the above formal alterations, the new Poor Rate be adopted.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, Wm. WILLIAMS.

High Littleton, Vestry Room, Wednesday 6th February 1839.

At a General Vestry,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BEAK in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr T.C. DUDDEN, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr George WYATT, Mr James HALL J'r, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr James WEEKS, Assistant Overseer. Also part of the time: Capt'n SCOBELL, Mr Tho's HARRISON, Mr WILLIAMS.

It was Unanimously **Resolved** that the Occupiers of Field Gardens shall not be called on to pay any Poor or Highway Rates, and that the Parish Officers be allowed such Rates as not recoverable in their Accounts.

The new Poor Rate made the 29th January last on the basis of Mr WAINWRIGHT's late Survey was gone thro' with a view of ascertaining what Occupiers of Cottages could be struck off the same on account of Poverty, when a List of 64 in Number was agreed on, and the Overseer authorized to give his consent to the Magistrates exempting them, and a further list of 21 of queried Names was agreed on, all or any of which the Overseer was authorized to add to the List of 64 if, on enquiry into the circumstances and Families of the Persons, he considered them entitled to be added.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Jonas WEEKS, T.C. DUDDEN, Charles HALL, James HALL, George WYATT, James WEEKS, Wm. WILLIAMS, Hugh JAMES.

High Littleton, 14 March 1839.

At a Vestry holden for the Highways of High Littleton, assembled by legal notice,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr BEAK, Mr HALL, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr Jas. HALL, Mr WHYATT, Mr H. JAMES, Mr BUSH.

It being taken into consideration that the Parish Road from the Cross Ways towards Timsbury is very narrow & insufficient for the public traveller, & that it is desirable to widen the same, as far or a little further as BROOKS' Cottages.

Capt. SCOBELL stated that if the Road was made of a legal width & a three foot Church Path made by the side, that he would subscribe towards the expense.

Mr BUSH, the owner of the Ground on the east side, agreed to take seven shillings pr. Lug for what quantity of Ground may be required to widen the road.

Moved by Mr Jas. HALL & seconded by Mr WHYATT and unanimously **agreed** to that the said piece of Parish Road be widened to 20 feet & a three foot Church Path [*made*] by the side thereof; that the same be commenced as soon as possible, & finished without delay.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Jno. BEAK, James HALL, Hugh JAMES, George WYATT, Wm. BUSH, Wm. WEYMOUTH.

High Littleton Vestry Room April 1st 1839.

At the Annual Vestry of Parishioners held as above,

Present: Capt. G.T. SCOBELL, R.N. in the Chair, Mr WILLIAMS, Guardian, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr James HALL J'r, Mr Charles HALL, Mr George WYATT, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Mark MARCHANT. Also The Rev'd H.H. MOGG J'r part of the time, afterwards The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar.

The Churchwardens' Accounts for the past year were gone thro', and allowed, by which it appeared there was a Sum of 10s/ 7½d due to the late Churchwardens.

Mr John BEAK was **elected** Vicar's Churchwarden and Mr John BLINMAN Parish Churchwarden for the year ensuing.

A List of ten Persons qualified to serve the Office of Overseers was made up and headed Mr George WYATT and Mrs Sarah COX, and the Vestry agreed to **recommend** those two named for the appointment of the Magistrates.

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It was Resolved that Messrs Charles HALL and Hugh JAMES be appointed Surveyors of the Highways for High Littleton.

It was **Resolved** that Mr Edward DOWLING and Mr John BLINMAN be appointed Surveyors of the Highways for Hallatrow.

It was **Resolved** that Mr James HALL J'r and John Usticke SCOBELL Esq're be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

The Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways were examined, that of Hallatrow was allowed, and that of High Littleton was adjourned to obtain Order of Magistrates for striking off Poor Persons from the Rate.

The Overseers' Accounts were not finished, and therefore not passed.

This Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday next 10 o'Clock at this Place to determine upon some arrangement whereby Owners of Cottage Property are to pay the Parochial Rates instead of the Occupiers, and also for examining the Overseers' Accounts, and other business.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Wm. WILLIAMS, John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, James WEEKS, T. Collier DUDDEN, Ed. DOWLING, Geo. WYATT.

At a Vestry held by adjournment this third day of April 1839,

it was **resolv'd** that consent be given to the surveyors of High Littleton to act under the 46th Clause of the Highway Act for purchasing, getting and carrying Materials for the Highways for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, Jno. BEAK, George WYATT, Charles HALL, Jas. HALL.

April 11th 1839.

At a Vestry held by due notice for the considering the propriety of nominating an Assistant Overseer or Collector of Rates for the Parish,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL in the Chair, J.U. SCOBELL Esq., Mr BLINMAN, Mr DUDDEN, Mr DOWLING, Mr J. HALL, Mr Chas. DOLEMAN, Mr BEAK, Mr WEEKS, Mr JAMES, Mr C. HALL, Mark MERCHANT, Mr J. TUCKER, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr BUSH, Mr WEYMOUTH.

Moved by Mr J.U. SCOBELL & seconded by Mr DOWLING that an Assistant Overseer at a Salary of [blank] be now nominated & measures be taken to have such appointment confirmed.

For the Motion - J.U. SCOBELL, Mr DUDDEN, Mr DOWLING, Mr Jas. HALL, Mr DOLEMAN, Mr WEEKS, Mr C. HALL, Mr M. MERCHANT, Mr P. LUDWELL.

Against the Motion - Mr BEAK, Mr BLINMAN, Mr H. JAMES, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr BUSH.

Declines voting - Mr J. TUCKER.

Mr BEAK proposed & Mr U. SCOBELL seconded Mr Henry BLINMAN for the Office at Seven Pounds pr. year.

Mr U. SCOBELL proposed & Mr DOWLING seconded Mr James WEEKS at a Salary of Eight Pounds pr. Year.

Seven voted for Mr H. BLINMAN at Seven Pounds pr. yr. & five for Mr James WEEKS at Eight Pounds pr. year.

Mr Henry BLINMAN's nomination being **carried**, the salary was fixed at Seven Pounds pr. year, if the same be confirmed.

Moved by Mr U. SCOBELL & seconded by Mr DOWLING that in the event of the foregoing appointment not being confirmed by the legal parties, that Mr Henry BLINMAN is nominated as "Collector of the Rates" at the same Salary, & that the Guardian of the Parish be requested to get the said nomination confirmed. The motion was unanimously **carried**.

[Sgd] George T. SCOBELL, J. Usticke SCOBELL, Jno. BEAK, William BUSH, Wm. WEYMOUTH, P. LUDWELL, Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING, Charles DOMANx, Mark MERCHANT, Joseph TUCKER, Thomas C. DUDDEN.

[Below]

The Poor Law Commissioners having refused a Collector of the Poor Rates, the resolution above referred to was in consequence Void.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26th March 1840.

At the Annual Vestry of the Parishioners held as above,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BEAK, in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr WILLIAMS, Mr George WYATT, Mr James HALL, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Richard EVANS, Mr William BUSH, Mr William WEYMOUTH, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr John JAMES, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Charles HATHWAY, Mr James WEEKS.

The Churchwardens' Accounts for the past year were gone thro' and **allowed**, by which it appeared that the Churchwardens had in hand £16.19. 3¼.

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A List of ten Persons qualified to serve the Office of Overseers was made up and headed John BLINMAN and Hugh JAMES, and the Vestry **agreed** to recommend those two named for the appointment of the Magistrates. It was **Resolved** that Messrs John DUDDEN and Charles HATHWAY be appointed Surveyors of the Highways for the Tithing of High Littleton.

Resolved that Messrs Edward DOWLING and Jonas WEEKS be appointed Surveyors of the Highways for the Tithing of Hallatrow.

Resolved that Messrs George WYATT and Edward DOWLING be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes for the year ensuing.

The Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor were presented, perused, and **approved**.

The Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways for High Littleton were presented, perused, and **approved**.

The Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways for Hallatrow were presented, perused, and **approved**.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, James WEEKS, John BLINMAN, Charles HALL, George WYATT, Edward DOWLING, Hugh JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 13th May 1840.

At a Vestry holden for the Highways of High Littleton, assembled by legal Notice,

Present: Mr Jno. BEAK in the Chair, Mr C. HALL, Mr J. HALL, Mr Wil'm WEYMOUTH, Mr Jno. BLINMAN, Mr Hugh JAMES.

It was considered that Clay Lane is Very Steep and **resolved** to be alter'd.

It was **resolved** that Hugh JAMES should serve the office of Surveyor for the Year ending March 25th 1841, with a Salary of 8 Pounds.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Charles HALL, James HALL, Hugh JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 11th June 1840.

At a Vestry assembled after Legal Notice being given,

Present: Mr James BEAK in the Chair, Mr Wil'm WEYMOUTH, Mr Chas. HATHWAY, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr Elijah CHIVERS,

It was **Resolved** that Mr Elijah CHIVERS should have Liberty to build a Wall in Ratcombe Lane in the front of his Property, Leaving the Road Twenty Five Feet Wide, and that he, his Heirs and assigns, should keep the wall and Water course in Repair at their Expence.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Churchwarden, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Hugh JAMES, Charles HATHWAYx, Elijah CHIVERSx.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26 March 1841.

At the Annual Vestry of the Parishioners held as above,

Present: Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr James WEEKS, Mr John JAMES, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr James HALL,

A list of Persons, ten in number, qualified to serve the Office of Overseers, was made up and headed James HALL, Peter LUDWELL, and the Vestry agreed to recommend the same two named for the appointment of the Magistrates.

It was **Resolved** that Hugh JAMES be appointed Surveyor of the Highways for the Tithing of High Littleton at a Salary of Seven Pounds p. year for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Messrs John BLINMAN and Thomas HARRISON be appointed Surveyors for the Highways for the Hamlett of Hallatrow for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Messrs James WEEKS and Hugh JAMES be appointed Collectors of the Asses[s]ed Taxes for the year ensuing.

The Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor were presented, perused and **Approved**.

The Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways for High Littleton were presented, perused and **Approved**.

The Accounts of the Surveyors of the Highways for the Hamlett of Hallatrow were presented, perused and **Approved**.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, Thomas HARRISON, Charles HALL, John BLINMAN, Peter LUDWELL, Mark MARCHANT, James WEEKS, John JAMES.

*Jno. BEAK & Jno. BLINMAN were **appointed** as Churchwardens from March 25th 1841 to March 25th 1842.*

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1841 June 19. High Littleton Church.

At a Vestry Meeting, duly holden by notice, for the purpose of considering the best means for enlarging the Church, for the better accommodation of the Parishioners,

Present: The Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG, in the Chair, Capt. SCOBELL, Rev'd H.H. MOGG J'r, John George MOGG Esq., John REES MOGG Esq., Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH, Mr Hugh JAMES, J. Usticke SCOBELL Esq.,

It appears that the population of the Parish is about 1,112, by the Census just taken, that the total Church accommodation is sufficient for 307 persons, of which 181 are free sittings.

A plan and estimate for enlarging the Church was laid before the meeting. The estimate amounted to £198.

Resolved unanimously that any enlargement of the Church which may be now agreed on, shall be effected by way of subscription, and not by Church rates.

Resolved unanimously that the present Church accommodation is insufficient for the Parishioners.

The proposed plan not affording sufficient accommodation, **Resolved** that it be referred back to Mr GANE, by whom it was prepared, to furnish a plan and estimate for a gallery over the proposed new aisle, a separate plan and estimate for pews and a gallery over them, with a p. in the space marked (A), such plans setting forth the size of the seats, and the number of persons each seat will contain. Also an elevation of the North side of the Church, if the whole alteration from B. to C. be carried into effect.

The Vestry Meeting was adjourned to Saturday the 3d July at eleven o'Clock, and it was **resolved** that Mr GANE should be requested to attend the Vestry on that day with his plans and estimates complete.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

3 July 1841. High Littleton Church.

At a Vestry called by legal notice, held this day,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Church Wardens, Capt'n SCOBELL R.N., John George MOGG Esq're, John REES MOGG Esq're, J. Usticke SCOBELL Esq're, Mr Edward DOWLING,

It is **resolved** unanimously (Mr GANE having submitted plans & estimates for enlarging the Church as ordered by the last Vestry, held the 19th June last) that the Church be enlarged according to the plans produced, and the Estimate being £265, that a Subscription to meet the Expenses be opened, and that the Societies for building & enlarging Churches be applied to for Aid, whatever deficiency there may be to effect the same, being charged in equal proportions on the Persons to whom the new Sittings are appropriated, deducting therefrom in each case the number of Sittings, which Such Persons having a right to, agree now to resign.

Resolved that a Committee of the following Gentlemen be appointed to carry the same into effect:

The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Church Wardens, Capt'n SCOBELL R.N., John George MOGG Esq're, John REES MOGG Esq're, Wm. S. WAIT Esq're, for J.P. WAIT Esq're, Rev'd H.H. MOGG Jun'r, J. Usticke SCOBELL Esq're.

The above Resolutions are agreed to by us the undersigned, H.H. MOGG, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, John George MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, H.H. MOGG Jun'r, J. Usticke SCOBELL, Edward DOWLING.

1842 17 March. High Littleton Church.

At a Vestry duly holden by notice,

Present: J. Usticke SCOBELL Esq. in the Chair, Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr WEYMOUTH, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr James HALL, Mr Chas. HATHWAY, Mr Chas. HALL, Mr Joseph TUCKER, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr Edward DOWLING,

The following resolutions were unanimously **carried**:

Moved by Mr John BLINMAN and Seconded by Mr Peter LUDWELL that, considering the present difficulties attending the execution of the office of Overseer, owing to the increased amount of Poor rates to be collected & the frequent resistance shown to the payment of those in Cottage Property (which now remain uncollected to a considerable extent, thereby throwing an additional burden on the rest of the Parish), and taking also into consideration the hardship experienced by those individuals, on whom the weight of the office at present unfairly presses, it is highly expedient that an assistant Overseer be appointed with a salary, under the 59 Geo. 3 C.12, who shall execute all the duties of an ordinary Overseer & be required to give Security with sureties for the faithful execution of his office in the usual penalty.

Moved by Mr Jas. HALL & Seconded by Mr Hugh JAMES that a Salary at the rate of 4d. in the pound be offered for an assistant Overseer.

Moved by Mr Chas. HALL & Seconded by Mr DOLMAN, That Mr Henry BLINMAN be nominated as the Assistant Overseer for this Parish on the conditions contained in the first resolution & to be embodied in his warrant of appointment, with a Salary of 4d. in the pound and that the Guardian of the Parish be requested to obtain the Sanction of the Poor law Commissioners to this arrangement & to report to the vestry thereon.

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Signed J. Usticke SCOBELL, Edward DOWLING, John BLINMAN, Peter LUDWELL, Joseph TUCKER, Charles HALL, James HALL, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Hugh JAMES, Charles HATHWAYx, Charles DOLEMANx.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 28th March 1842.

At the Annual Vestry of the Parishioners held as above,

Present: Mr BEAK, Church Warden, Mr BLINMAN, Church Warden, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Charles HALL, Mr James HALL, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr Hugh JAMES,

A list of Persons, ten in number, qualified to serve the Office of Overseers, was made up and headed with Henry FERBRACH, James HALL (Mearnes), and the Vestry **agreed** to recom[m]end the same two named for the appointment of the Magistrates.

Resolved that Messrs James WEEKS and Peter LUDWELL be appointed Collectors of the Asses[s]ed Taxes for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Messrs Edward DOWLING and Thomas HARRISON be appointed Surveyors for the Hamlett of Hallatrow for the Year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr John BEAK be appointed the Surveyor of the Highways for the Tithing of High Littleton at a Salary of Five Pounds Fifteen shillings for the Year ensuing.

[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman.

March 28th [1842]

The paper an[n]exed with the Defaulters of Church Rates agreed upon in Vestry to be Summoned if the Rates is not paid by the parties Am't to 19s. 4d. [Wm. CARTER 7d, Jno. CHURCHILL 1/1, John DUDDEN, Hallatrow 9/8, Richard ELMS 1/5, Henry FERBRACHE 2/6, Tho's AMESBURY 3/6½, Jonathan PARSONS 6½.]

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church Wardens.

*Jno. BEAK & Jno. BLINMAN were **appointed** as Churchwardens from March 25th 1842 to March 25 1843.*

High Littleton Vestry Room, 7th April 1842.

At a Vestry of the Parishioners legally called,

Present: John Usticke SCOBELL Esq're, in the Chair, Mr Churchwarden BEAK, Mr Churchwarden BLINMAN, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Joseph TUCKER, Mr Wm. BUSH, Mr Wm. WILLIAMS.

The Chairman reported in compliance with the 3d Resolution of the Vestry held on the 17th March last that he had, thro' the Clutton Board of Guardians, communicated with the Poor Law Commissioners in reference to the appointment of an Assistant Overseer, and that their reply was that they had nothing to do with the appointment of an Assistant Overseer.

It was moved by Mr WILLIAMS and Seconded by Mr Hugh JAMES that the Security to be given by the Assistant Overseer be, and his Sureties' be, a joint and several Bond to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish in the Penalty of Two Hundred Pounds. **Carried** unanimously.

Mr Henry BLINMAN being present and having named Messrs Tho's HARRISON and Henry FERBRACHE of Hallatrow as his Sureties, It was moved by Mr Churchwarden BEAK and Seconded by Mr Peter LUDWELL that such Sureties be accepted. **Carried**.

It was moved by Mr Churchwarden BEAK and Seconded by Mr Chas. HALL that the Overseers of the Poor (Messrs Joseph TUCKER and Edward DOWLING) do apply to the Magistrates at the next Petty Session for their appointment of Mr Henry BLINMAN as Assistant Overseer, agreeably to the Third Resolution of the Vestry Meeting of 17th March last, and prepare the necessary Bond at the expence of the Parish, such Bond to be executed by Mr Henry BLINMAN and his Sureties immediately upon the appointment made by the Magistrates. **Carried**.

[Sgd] J. Usticke SCOBELL, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Wm. WILLIAMS, Chas. HALL, Hugh JAMES, Wm. BUSH, Peter LUDWELL, Thomas HARRISON, Edward DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 16 September 1842.

At a Vestry of the Parishioners legally called,

Present: Mr John BEAK (in the Chair), Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr Joseph TUCKER, Overseer, Mr Charles HALL, Mr William BEAK, Mr Charles HATHWAY, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Edw'd DOWLING, Overseer, James WEEKS, Wm. ROBBINS.

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The purpose of the vestry is to nominate Ten fit and proper persons, & to return their names to the Petty Sessions, for the Magistrates to appoint one of whom, as Constable of this said Parish.

Moved by Mr John BLINMAN, seconded by Mr John BEAK, that Mr (Mr) Hugh JAMES be recommended to the Magistrates as a fit person to serve the Office of Constable & **carried** unanimously.

The following is the List of Persons recommended to the Magistrates as fit for said Office: Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Charles HALL, Mr John DUDDEN, Mr James HALL, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr James WALTER, Mr William ROBBINS, Mr William JAMES, Mr William NORMAN.

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Ed. DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER, Thomas HARRISON, Henry FERBRACHE, Charles HALL, James WEEKS, Charles HATHWAY, Wm. BEAK, Wm. ROBBINS, Hy. BLINMAN, Hugh JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 8th October 1842.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day in pursuance of notice duly given, whereof the following is a copy:

"High Littleton, October 2d 1842.

Notice is hereby given a vestry will be held at High Littleton Church on Saturday next the 8th instant at ½ past 10 o'Clock, to arrange finally the Pews, and other church business.

John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens."

Present: The Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG, Chairman, The Rev'd Henry Hodges MOGG Jun'r, Capt. SCOBELL, Messrs REES-MOGG, BLINMAN & BEAK, (Churchwardens), Henry BLINMAN, James WEEKS, James HALL.

It was **resolved** that the following Pews in "The New North Gallery" shall be appropriated and they are hereby appropriated and declared to belong to, and shall be enjoyed by, and for the use and accommodation of such several persons as may for the time being be respectively inhabitants of the said Parish, and occupiers of the several Dwelling Houses, and Farm houses hereinafter particularly mentioned, that is to say,

Nos. 1.1. 2. & 3. - For the Inhabitants and Occupiers of the Dwelling House at Kingwell, now belonging to Capt. SCOBELL, Capt. SCOBELL hereby relinquishing his right to sittings for two persons in the Pews in the Church, numbered 1. & 2. appropriated by a Resolution in this Book recorded dated 2d December 1824, in respect of the Farm House at Kingwell aforesaid, then belonging to Mrs Sarah THOMAS and Mrs Martha THOMAS. [*pencil note - G.T.S. paid £60*].

No. 4. - To the Inhabitants and Occupiers of the Dwelling House at Hallatrow occupied by Mrs [*Mary*] JAMES, called the Brick House, she hereby relinquishing her right to sittings in the Pew in the Church, No. 6, as appears by the before mentioned Resolution.

No. 5. - To the Inhabitants and Occupiers of the Dwelling Houses at Hallatrow now held by Edward DOWLING, Farmer, and Thomas HARRISON, Butcher, and belonging to John Usticke SCOBELL Esq., he hereby relinquishing his right to sittings for two Persons in the Pews in the Church numbered 1. and 2. appropriated by the before mentioned Resolution in respect of The Farm House therein described as belonging to Richard LANGFORD Esq'r, then occupied by Edw'd DOWLING.

No. 6. - To the Inhabitants and Occupiers of the Houses at Hallatrow now held by Peter LUDWELL, and John DUDDEN, and belonging to Miss [*Mary Anne*] LANGFORD, she hereby relinquishing her right, and Mr J. Usticke SCOBELL relinquishing his right (if any) to sittings for two Persons in the Pews in the Church Nos. 1 and 2, appropriated by the before mentioned Resolution to the Farm House (then, late HILL's) belonging to the said Richard LANGFORD and then occupied by Peter LUDWELL.

No. 7. - To the Inhabitants of the Farm house at High Littleton belonging to John George MOGG Esq. called Rosewell, but in the before mentioned Resolution called Holwell [*ROSEWELL*], now occupied by Mr John BEAKE, Mr MOGG hereby relinquishing his right to sittings for two persons in the Pews in the Church, Nos. 1. and 2, appropriated by the before mentioned Resolution to the same Farm.

No. 8. - To the Inhabitants of the Farm house at High Littleton belonging to John George MOGG Esq. called Broomhill now occupied by Mr James HALL, Mr MOGG hereby relinquishing his right to sittings for two persons in the Pews in the Church, Nos. 1. & 2, appropriated by the before mentioned Resolution to the same Farm. [*pencil note - The JAMES' Pews*].

No. 9. - To the Inhabitants of the Farm House at High Littleton belonging to John REES MOGG Esq. called The Church Farm, now occupied by Mr Hugh JAMES and others, Mr REES MOGG hereby relinquishing his right to sittings for two persons in the Pews in the Church, Nos. 1. and 2, appropriated by the before mentioned Resolution to the same Farm.

All the remaining part of the New North Aisle above and below (except the small pews No. 10 in the Gallery, which is still unappropriated) together with the sittings in the Pews in the Church Nos. 1 and 2, hereinbefore mentioned to have been relinquished by the several Persons claiming rights therein, are hereby declared to be, and are, free and open for the accommodation of all persons whomsoever, who may be disposed to attend Divine Worship in this Church.

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Resolved that the word "Free" in legible characters be placed and preserved on the Door of every unappropriated Pew in the Church.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, H.H. MOGG Jun'r, G.T. SCOBELL, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church Wardens, John REES-MOGG, Henry BLINMAN, James WEEKS, James HALL.

1842 October 8th.

We, the undersigned Churchwardens of High Littleton, do hereby appropriate the share of the seat No. 6 in the Church, formerly Mrs JAMES', to Daniel WAIT Esq're in respect of the Farm house occupied by Mr Jonas WEEKS.

[We] are also of opinion that the Pew in the Church No. 8, stated in the before mentioned Resolution as belonging to the houses occupied by John BLINMAN and the Representatives of the late Tho's Collier DUDDEN, belongs solely to John BLINMAN['s] House as the Property of Wm. GORE LANGTON Esq're.

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, James WEEKS, James HALL, Henry BLINMAN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 20th Oct'r 1842.

At a Vestry held this day in pursuance of Notice duly given, whereof the following is a Copy:

"High Littleton 16th Oct'r 1842.

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Parishioners of High Littleton will be holden in the Vestry Room of the Parish Church, on Thursday the 20th day of October instant, at 6 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of considering the oppressive Poor Rate now about to be levied, and the large amount weekly paid to the Pauper Poor.

John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Edw'd DOWLING, [blank], Overseers."

Present: Mr John BEAK (Chairman), John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Edward DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER, Overseers, Charles HALL, Charles DOLEMAN, Charles HATHWAY, James WEEKS, Richard EVANS & Henry BLINMAN.

It was **resolved** that a list of names of the paupers be left in the hands of the Overseers, to be by them presented to the Guardian of this parish, trusting that he will use his best endeavours at the Board of Guardians of the Clutton Union to greatly reduce the payment of the paupers named in the said list, and to make such alterations as are particularly recommended by us in Vestry assembled, and set forth in the said list.

It was **resolved** that at any future Vestry the Relieving Officer, Mr John DUDDEN, be requested to attend, to inform the inhabitants, assembled in Vestry, the payments stated in the quarterly list, it now being impossible to find the payments satisfactory to those assembled.

[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Edward DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER, Overseers, Henry BLINMAN, Rd. EVANS, James WEEKS, Charles HATHWAY's x Mark, Charles DOLMAN's x Mark, Charles HALL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Nov'r 10th 1842.

At a Vestry held this day in pursuance of Notice being given, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given, that a Vestry will be held in the Vestry Room of this Church, on Thursday next the 10th of November instant, at 6 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of considering upon the proceedings taken against the Pate payers, for refusing to pay excessive calls made by the Board of Guardians of the Clutton Union with respect to this Parish, and also for indemnifying the Assistant Overseer against any proceedings that may be taken against him, on account of this present Poor Rate, and other Business.

John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Churchwardens, Joseph TUCKER, Overseer."

Present: Messrs John BEAK, John BLINMAN (Chairman), Jonas WEEKS, Edward DOWLING (Overseer), Charles HATHWAY, John DUDDEN, Peter LUDWELL, Charles DOLEMAN, Charles HALL, James WEEKS & Henry BLINMAN.

Moved by Mr James WEEKS, seconded by Mr John DUDDEN, that the parties lately summoned do pay their respective Rates, without further trouble or expence to the Assistant Overseer, and unless the Guardians of the said Union shall reduce the excessive payments now made to the Pauper Poor for the Present quarter, they unanimously agree to resist, to the utmost of their power, the next Call made on this Parish, towards the said Union.

Moved by Henry BLINMAN, seconded by Mr Charles HALL, that the Overseers be requested to wait on J.U. SCOBELL Esq'r, the present Guardian, trusting he will call a Vestry of the Rate Payers, before the Paupers of this Parish shall attend at the Clutton Union Work House, on the day of investigation of this Parish of the said Paupers.

Moved by Mr Jonas WEEKS, seconded by Mr John BEAK, that the Overseers is (*sic*) requested to wait on Mr William WILLIAMS, trusting that he will undertake the office of Guardian of this Parish.

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Moved by Mr Charles HALL, seconded by Mr John BEAK, that a Quarterly Meeting shall be regularly held, in the Vestry Room of this Parish, to be called by the Guardian, for examining the pauper List of this Parish and stating all objections to the said Guardian, against any of the Paupers receiving pay from this said Parish, believing that at the present time a great imposition is practised in and to a great expense on the said Parish but still greater on the ratepayers.

Resolved that the following Rate Payers is (*sic*) nominated to attend the quarterly Vestry for the purpose named in this last resolution; if they shall not attend at the said Vestry, after due notice being given, they shall be fined in the sum of 2/6 each, to be paid at the Yearly Meeting into the hands of the Overseers. John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Edward DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER, Charles HALL, Jonas WEEKS, Thomas HARRISON, William BEAK, Henry BLINMAN, James HALL, Peter LUDWELL, Charles DOLEMAN, Hugh JAMES, Charles HATHWAY.

[*Sgd*] John BLINMAN, Chairman, John BEAK, Jonas WEEKS, James WEEKS, Ed. DOWLING, Charles HALL, Charles DOLMAN's x Mark, Peter LUDWELL, Henry BLINMAN, Charles HATHWAYx, John DUDDEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 14th December 1842.

At a Vestry held this day after Notice being given, it was proposed by Mr John BEAK, seconded by Mr Hugh JAMES, that this Vestry be postponed to Wednesday next the 21st instant, that the Guardian may procure a List of Paupers of the Poor (*sic*) in the present quarter, not having such list at the present time.

[*Sgd*] Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, William BEAK, William WEYMOUTH, Henry BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Hugh JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 21st Dec'r 1842.

At a Vestry held this day, pursuant to Notice being given,

Present: Messrs John BEAK (Chairman), John BLINMAN (Churchwardens), Henry BLINMAN, Edward DOWLING (Overseers), William BEAK (Guardian), Charles HATHWAY, Hugh JAMES, Jos'h TUCKER, James WEEKS, Charles HALL, James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, William WEYMOUTH.

Resolved that we think that the pay of the following paupers should be reduced, and the undernamed relatives be summoned to help maintain the respective paupers undernamed.

<u>Rec'd p. week last qr.</u>			
BROOKS Wm. S'r	5/-		be reduced to 4/-.
BROOKS Enos, Wife & Family	8/-		has 2 cottages worth 3/- p. Week; living in one and let the other & 9d. from the Club - son earns 4/- - should be reduced to 5/-.
BULL Samuel	5/-		red'd to 4/-.
BRIMBLE Hannah	4/-		can earn her own maintenance - has only 2 children unable to work - should be reduced to 2/6.
BALNE Giles	5/-		wife can work - should reduce to 3/- per Week & summons his son William to help support them, who earns 8/- p. Week.
CHIVERS Sarah	2/6		should go to Work house or reduced to 1/6 being able bodied.
CHIVERS Rachel	3/-		has no Rent to pay - should be reduced to 2/3.
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Name	<u>last qr</u>	<u>to pr. Week</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
CHIVERS Mary Ann	2/-		her father earns 10/- has only a wife to maintain - should be summoned to maintain his daughter - Mary Ann should receive nothing from parish.
CLARE Thomas	2[-/-]	1/-	has plenty employ.
DIX James & Wife	5/-	3/-	can get employ breaking stones etc. - has 9d. week from Club.
EVANS Elizabeth	6[-/-]	4/-	able-bodied - 2 daughters out to service - son earns 4/- to 6/-.
ESCOTT Hannah	2/6	1/6	or put in Workhouse.
FOSTER Elizabeth	6[-/-]	3/-	earns at washing 4/- week and food - the eldest son at service.
HOARE Elizabeth	1/-	0/-	keeps a school at Mrs DUDDEN's, Hallatrow - has board & lodging for Mrs DUDDEN's Children with 2/9 pr. Week from other scholars.
HARRIS James' Wife & Daughter	4/-	2/-	has pension of 2/11 week - can earn 1/- week at Knitting - her daughter is a bad character.
HIGGINS Martha	2/6	1/6	her son George should be summoned to help support her.
JONES Sarah	2/6	1/6	can earn at Knitting 2/6 pr. wk. - her son David should help support her.
JAMES Martha	2/6	1/6	or go in Workhouse.

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MARCHANT Chas.	5/-	3/6	wife can earn 1/- week.
OSBORNE John, Wife & family	5/-		should come to Workhouse or be stopped.
PRIDDY James	2/6	2/-	---
PRIDDY Benjamin and Wife	5/-		come to Work house or stop pay't.
SMITH John, Wife & fam.	3/6		an impostor - should come home or stop payments.
SEYMOUR Dinah	1/6	1/-	her son living with her earns 10/- week - should help support her.
SALMON John	2/-		should come to workhouse or stop payment.
TUCKER Martha & Fam.	4/-		should be stopped until she proves if or not she is married to Thos. WHATLEY.
TUCKER Amy	1/6		should go to Work house or stop paym't - is able bodied - has two sons Thomas & Samuel earns 10/- living with her.
TUCKER Mary	2/6	1/-	son Samuel should help support her.
SALMON George & Wife	4/-		an impostor - should come to house.
VOWLES Fanny	2/6	1/6	is able bodied - go washing - her son can work, son James living in Bristol, a chandler, can help to support her.
VATOR Jesse, Wife & Daughter	4/-	2/-	earn from 2/6 to 3/- week, his Wife 1/6 & son 4/- to 5/-.
GREGORY John	1/-		has constant work on road at H. Littleton at 7/- week - should be taken off[/f] - his daughter can work.
VOAKES Hester	5/-	2/6	has employ at washing from 3/- to 4/- week - lives in own house at 1/6 week, let 2 other houses at 2/2 week.
WALTER Sarah	2/6		her son can support her, has a wife, no family, earns 10/- to 15/- wk, has 4 houses worth £20 pr. Year - should be taken off[/f].
ROBERTS Martha	2/6	1/6	pay no rent - don't belong to this Parish - married a husband named ROBERTS, and won't give her examination.
RAPPS William	6/-	3/-	has 9d. week from Club & should be reduced.
SMITH George	6[/-]	4/-	a gross imposition - his wife can work, & his daughter - should be reduced.
CHIVERS Ann & fam.	3/-	1/6	has employ at 2/- to 3/- week.
DIX Thomas	5/-	3/-	during his illness or has partial employ.
FORD Judith	2/-		is house keeper to Mr Jonathan PARSONS, has 1/- pr. Week wages & should be taken off[/f].
YOUNG Martha	2/-		her Father should be summoned as he can well support her.
YOUNG Francis	1/6		believe he don't belong to this Parish.

Resolved, that a letter has been addressed to us requesting any "Information as the Vestry may think useful to the Committee", we beg to suggest the removal of one of the Relieving Officers and that three only execute the Duties, their situations at present being, we consider, perfect sinecures. That we think those Officers of the Union, whose salaries have been risen but whose duties are not now, tho' they might heretofore have been increased, if called upon by the Guardians, generally will voluntarily come forward and relinquish such increased salaries, they knowing well that the middle classes at present, particularly in this neighbourhood, are the only ones that suffer privation and not the upper or lower classes. That the other Officers of the Union, who know well our situation, we have no doubt will come forward equally with the others and offer an abatement of their respective Salaries.

Resolved that the thanks of the Inhabitants in Vestry assembled for the Parish of High Littleton be given to those Gentlemen, who were instrumental in causing a Committee to be formed, for the purpose of investigating into the causes of the alarming increase of expenditure, on account of Pauperism in this and other Parishes forming the Clutton Union.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, William BEAK, Joseph TUCKER, Overseers, Edward DOWLING, James WEEKS, Charles HALL, James HALL, Hugh JAMES, Charles HATHWAYx, William WEYMOUTHx, Thomas HARRISON, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer.

High Littleton Vestry Room, January 27 1843.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day after notice duly given "to inspect the Church Accounts for the present year", Present: Mr REES MOGG, Mr BLINMAN, Mr BEAK, Mr HALL, Mr H. JAMES, Mr H. BLINMAN.

Resolved that a Church Rate of two pence half penny in the pound be made and collected forthwith.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Hugh JAMES, Charles HALL.

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High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 22nd 1843.

At a vestry held this day after Notice being given "to name a List of 10 able bodied men, resident within the said Parish, between the age of 25 and 50 years, who are qualified to serve the office of Constable for the ensuing year."

James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, [*In margin* - appointed for 1843. 1843.] William ROBBINS, William HARDING, Charles HALL, Richard TUCKER, Zepheniah HIGGINS, John DUDDEN, Joseph TUCKER, Edw. DOWLING.

Resolved that Mr Wm. WILLIAMS be requested to take the examination of Robert HAWKINS, now in the Work House of St. Phillip & Jacob, Bristol, who, with his wife and one child, is about to be removed to this Parish.

[*Sgd*] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Hugh JAMES, Joseph TUCKER, Henry BLINMAN, Charles DOLEMAN x Mark.

27 March 1843, High Littleton Vestry Room.

A List of Persons or occupiers, of the said undermentioned Estates, who shall serve following, the Office of Overseer, and other offices of this Parish for the Years ensuing:

<u>Name or Description of Property</u>	<u>Name of Occupier</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Rugborne Farm	HALL Charles	High Littleton
Mr [<i>Daniel</i>] WAIT's do.	WEEKS Jonas	Hallatrow
Mr John DUDDEN's	ROBBINS William	High Littleton
Mr J.U. SCOBELL's	HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow
Rosewell Farm	BEAK John	High Littleton
Hallatrow do.	BLINMAN John	Hallatrow
Broomhill do.	HALL James	High Littleton
Hallatrow Down do.	LUDWELL Peter	Hallatrow Down
Mr J.U. SCOBELL's	DOWLING Edward	Hallatrow
<i>Mr TUCKER's [deleted]</i>	<i>TUCKER Joseph [deleted]</i> , BLINMAN George	High Littleton
Church Farm	JAMES's [<i>Hugh, William & John</i>]	do.
Redhouse do.	DOLEMAN Chas.	Hallatrow
JAMES Mrs [<i>Mary</i>]	FERBRACHE Henry	do.
Ridens Farm	HATHWAY Chas.	High Littleton
Tennis Court	DUDDEN John	Hallatrow
Miss [<i>Mary A.</i>] LANGFORD's	CURTIS George	High Littleton
Hallatrow Batch	HARRIS William	Hallatrow
do. <i>House [deleted]</i>	<i>CRANG Findlater [deleted]</i>	do.

1843 March 27, High Littleton Church.

At a Vestry duly holden this day, pursuant to notice,

Present: J. REES-MOGG Esq. in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr John BEAKE, Churchwardens, Mr Edw. DOWLING, Mr Jos'h TUCKER, Overseers, Mr James HALL, Mr Charles HALL, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr John JAMES, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Mr William WEYMOUTH, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr William BUSH, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr James WEEKS.

A List of Persons, ten in number, qualified to serve the office of Overseer was made up, and it was **resolved** that the two first named, Mr Charles HALL & Mr Jonas WEEKS, should be recommended for appointment by the Magistrates.

Resolved that Mr Edward DOWLING and Joseph TUCKER be appointed Collectors of the Assessed Taxes.

Resolved that Mr Edward DOWLING and Mr Thomas HARRISON be appointed Surveyors of the Highways for the Hamlet of Hallatrow and that Mr James HALL be appointed the Surveyor of the Highways for the Tithing of High Littleton, the latter with a Salary of Five Pounds.

Resolved that Mr Henry BLINMAN be appointed Assistant Overseer for the ensuing year at a salary of fourpence in the pound on the rates collected.

[*Sgd*] John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Jno. BEAK, Churchwardens, Edward DOWLING, Joseph TUCKER, Overseers, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN, Peter LUDWELL, James HALL, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, John JAMES, Wm. WEYMOUTH, Chas. HALL, Wm. BUSH, Hugh JAMES, Thomas HARRISON.

1843 April 17.

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The foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined & **approved** at a Vestry Meeting duly held for the purpose.

[*Sgd*] H.H. MOGG Jun'r, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, Jno. BEAK, John BLINMAN.

[*John BEAK & Jno. BLINMAN were appointed as Churchwardens from March the 25th 1843 to March 25th 1844.*]

High Littleton, 1st Aug't 1843.

At a Meeting in pursuance of Notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Chairman, J.U. SCOBELL Esq'r, G.T. SCOBELL Esq'r, J.G. MOGG Esq'r, J.R. MOGG Esq'r, Messrs John BEAK, Churchwarden, John BLINMAN, do., Wm. BEAK, Henry BLINMAN, James HALL.

Resolved that Whereas a considerable part of the Property of this Parish pays nothing at present towards the Poor Rate, thereby burdening very unfairly the remaining portion thereof.

And seeing the great difficulty that at present exists in collecting the aforesaid rate from the Poorer class of persons, who occupy the Premises that ought to contribute thereto.

And we the undersigned owners of cottage property do hereby agree to pay the Poor Rate in respect of any cottage belonging to either of us, the rateable value of which, together with the Garden occupied therewith, shall not exceed the sum of £4.

The Assistant Overseer is requested by this Meeting to show to the Owners (not now present) of Cottage Property the foregoing resolution and to request the addition of their signatures thereto.

And it is the opinion of this meeting that it is the duty of the Parish Officers to collect the payment of the Poor Rate from the occupiers of such Cottage Property whose owners do refuse to unite in the object of this Meeting.

[*Sgd*] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, J. Usticke SCOBELL (On behalf of Miss LANGFORD), G.T. SCOBELL, John George MOGG, John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, John BEAK, Wm. BEAK, Henry BLINMAN.

High Littleton 3rd Oct. 1843.

At a Vestry in pursuance of Notice for the purpose of making a Church Rate for the necessary repairs and Amendment of the Church and also for the purpose of considering a Notice of appeal given by the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Kilmersdon in this County, to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of this Parish against an order of Removal of Thomas ROBBINS, Margaret his Wife and Harriet [*should be Emma*], Thomas, Martha, Mary, Jane, Rosanna and Fanny their children and determining if such Appeal shall be defended and what steps shall be taken thereon. [*Dated the 23rd day of September 1843 - deleted*].

Present: Capt'n SCOBELL in the Chair, Mr J. R-MOGG, Mr Jno. BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr Chas. HALL, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Overseers, Mr James HALL, Mr Chas. HATHWAY, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr Chas. DOLEMAN, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr Wm. WEYMOUTH, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer.

Resolved that the Churchwardens be and they are hereby Empowered, to make and collect a Church Rate of 2½d. in the Pound, forthwith.

Resolved, with one dissentient, that the order of Removal of Thomas ROBBINS and his family from this parish to Kilmersdon be supported and that Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS do conduct the same.

[*Sgd*] George Treweek SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, [*blank*], Churchwardens, Jonas WEEKS, Charles HALL, Overseers, John REES-MOGG, James HALL, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, Charles HATHWAY, Charles DOLEMAN, William WEYMOUTH, [*the last 3 signed*] by H.B, Hugh JAMES, Ed. DOWLING.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 15 Feb'y 1844.

At a vestry duly holden pursuant to notice, the following is a List of Able Bodied Men resident within the Parish of High Littleton, Somerset qualified and liable to serve as Constables.

<u>When served</u>	<u>Names</u>	<u>Abode</u>	<u>Title, quality, calling or business</u>
1842	TUCKER Joseph	High Littleton	Shoemaker
	JAMES Hugh	do.	Farmer
	JAMES William	do.	do.
	HIGGINS George	do.	Laborer
	NORMAN William	do.	Carpenter
1843	ROBBINS William	do.	Baker
	WALTER James	do.	Coleminer
	HALL James	do.	Farmer
	HALL James	do.	Engineer
	BRIMBLE Henry	do.	Coleminer

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1842	HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher
	DOWLING Edward	do.	Farmer
	DOLEMAN Charles	do.	do.
	DUDDEN John	do.	Halier (<i>sic</i>)
	TUCKER Richard	do.	Shoemaker
	FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attornies' Clerk
	LUDWELL Peter	do.	Farmer
	BUSH Edward	Hallatrow	Carpenter - not qualified but willing

[Sgd] John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Edward DOWLING, John REES-MOGG, Henry BLINMAN, Henry FERBRACHE.

1844 March 25th, High Littleton Vestry Room.

At a Vestry duly holden this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: Mr John BEAK in the chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr Charles HALL, Overseer, Mr William BEAK, Guardian, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr James HALL, Mr Hugh JAMES, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Charles DOLEMAN, Peter LUDWELL.

A List of Persons, Ten in number, qualified to serve the Office of Overseers was made up and it was **resolved** that the two first named, Mr William ROBBINS & Thomas HARRISON, should be recommended for appointment by the Magistrates.

Resolved that Mr Charles HALL and James WEEKS be appointed collectors of the Assessed Taxes.

Resolved that Edward DOWLING and Thomas HARRISON be appointed surveyors of the Highways for the Hamlet of Hallatrow.

Resolved that the accounts of this Parish were examined and approved.

Resolved that Mr James HALL be appointed the surveyor of the Highways for the Tithing of High Littleton, the latter with a salary of Six pounds Ten shillings for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr Henry BLINMAN be continued assistant Overseer for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Overseers shall not pay off the Bill of Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS at one time, as to make the Poor rates press so heavily on the Rate payers at one collection, and that the same may be paid quarterly.

Moved by Mr Henry BLINMAN, seconded by Mr James WEEKS, that the thanks of the Vestry be voted to Mr William BEAK for his services as Guardian of this Parish for the past year, hoping he will continue the same for the Year ensuing,

[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Charles HALL, Henry BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Peter LUDWELL, Thomas HARRISON, James HALL, W. BEAK, Hugh JAMES, Charles DOLEMAN by H.B., Edward DOWLING.

April 8th '44.

The foregoing [Churchwardens'] Accounts were Examin'd & **approv'd** at A Vestry Meeting duly Held for the purpose.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG Jun'r, Hugh JAMES, John BEAK, John BLINMAN.

[John BEAK & John BLINMAN were **appointed** as Churchwardens from March 25 1844 to March 25th 1845.]

High Littleton Vestry Room, 4th Oct'r 1844.

At a Vestry holden this day pursuant to Notice, to take into consideration a Notice received from the Sureties of the Assistant Overseer, stating their intention of ceasing to be his Sureties and determining what steps should be taken thereon.

Present: J. REES-MOGG Esq. in the Chair, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, William ROBBINS, Thomas HARRISON, Overseers, William WEYMOUTH, Jonas WEEKS, Charles HALL, William BEAK, Guardian, Hugh JAMES, James WEEKS, Henry BLINMAN, Assistant Overseer, Henry FERBRACHE, George FLOWER.

Mr Henry FERBRACHE attended and stated his wish to discontinue his suretyship as soon as he legally could do so.

Mr Thomas HARRISON stated his desire to withdraw his notice and continue as Surety till Lady day next.

The Matter was discussed but no Resolution passed.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting, John REES-MOGG.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 28th Feb'y 1845.

At a Vestry duly holden this day pursuant to Notice, the following is a List of Persons liable to serve the Office of Constable for this Parish for the ensuing Year.

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<u>When last served</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
	JAMES William	High Littleton	Yeoman
	BLINMAN George	do.	Servant
	BRIMBLE Henry	do.	Coal Miner
	CLEEVES John	do.	do.
	HALL Charles	do.	Yeoman
	HALL James Jr.	do.	do.
1842	JAMES Hugh	do.	do.
	JAMES John	do.	do.
1843	ROBBINS William	do.	Baker
1844	TUCKER Joseph	do.	Shoemaker
	WALTER James Jr.	do.	Coleminer
1842	HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher
	HARRIS William	do.	Gentleman
	DOLEMAN Charles	do.	Yeoman
	DUDDEN John	do.	do.
	DOWLING Edward	do.	do.
	FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attornies' Clerk
	LUDWELL Peter	do. Down	Farmer
	MULLETT George	do.	Carpenter
	TUCKER Richard	do.	Shoemaker - not qualified but willing.

Moved, seconded & **carried** that the churchwardens immediately collect a Rate at 2d. in the pound for the present Year.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman.

March 24th 1845.

The foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined and **approved** by us in Vestry.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG Jun'r, Vicar, Hugh JAMES.

[*John BEAK & Jno. BLINMAN were **appointed** Churchwardens from March 25th 1845 to March 25th 1846.*]

1845 March 26th, High Littleton Vestry Room.

At a Vestry duly holden this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: John REES-MOGG Esq're, John BEAK, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Thomas HARRISON, William ROBBINS, William BEAK, James WEEKS, Charles DOLEMAN, John DUDDEN, Jonas WEEKS, Geo. FLOWER, Peter LUDWELL, Wm. JAMES, Charles HALL, Hugh JAMES, James HALL, Rd. ELEMS, Henry BLINMAN, Edward DOWLING, William WEYMOUTH.

Moved that the Churchwardens & Overseers, immediately before the making the next Poor Rate, view the premises occupied by Rich'd ELEMS (*sic*) of Hallatrow for the purpose of altering the Rate thereon.

A List of Persons, 10 in number qualified to serve the Office of Overseer was made up, and **resolved** that the two first named, James HALL & Peter LUDWELL should be recommended for appointment by the Magistrates.

[**Resolved**] That Messrs William ROBBINS and Thomas HARRISON be appointed collectors of the Assessed Taxes.

[**Resolved**] That Mr John BEAK be appointed surveyor of the Highways for High Littleton, with a Salary of Six pounds Ten shillings pr. year.

[**Resolved**] That Mr John BLINMAN be appointed Surveyor of the Highways for Hallatrow with a Salary of One pound pr. year.

[**Resolved**] That the thanks of the Vestry be voted to Mr William BEAK for his services rendered to this Parish as Guardian for the past Year, hoping he will continue the same for the Year Ensuing.

[**Resolved**] That the accounts of the Parish were duly examined and allowed.

[Sgd] Jno. BEAK, Chairman.

1845 Oct'r 1st, High Littleton Vestry Room.

At a Vestry held this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: Chairman, Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr Wm. BEAK, Guardian, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, Mr Hugh JAMES.

Resolved that Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS appeal to the Quarter Sessions to be held at Taunton on Tuesday next the 14th inst. to have the Order of Removal of Sarah CHIVERS from this Parish to Kilmersdon Confirmed; the Churchwardens and Overseers of Kilmersdon having entered an Appeal against such order, they having served us with Notice not to by the same.

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[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 12th Feb'y 1846.

At a Vestry held this evening pursuant to Notice, the following is a List of Persons eligible to serve the office of Constable for the Year ensuing.

Present: John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Henry BLINMAN & Hugh JAMES.

<u>When last served</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation etc.</u>	
	BEAK William	High Littleton	Farmer	
	JAMES William	do.	Farmer	
	BLINMAN Geo.	do.	Servant	
	BRIMBLE Henry	do.	Miner	
	HALL Chas.	do.	Farmer	
	HALL James Jr.	do.	do.	
1842	JAMES Hugh	do.	do.	
1843	ROBBINS Will'm	do.	Baker	
1844 & 1845	TUCKER Jos'h	do.	Shoemaker	
	WALTER James Jr.	do.	Miner	
	JAMES Will'm	do.	Carpenter	
	PERRY James	do.	Laborer	
1842	HARRISON Tho's	Hallatrow	Butcher	
	HARRIS Will'm	do.	Gentleman	
	DOLEMAN Chas.	do.	Farmer	
	DOWLING Edw'd	do.	do.	
	FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attornies' Clerk	
	LUDWELL Peter	do.	Farmer	
	MULLETT Geo.	do.	Carpenter	
	TUCKER Richard	do.	Shoemaker	recommended.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1846.

At a Vestry duly holden this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: Mr John BEAK, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr Wm. BEAK, Guardian, Mr Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, Mr William HARRIS, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Hugh JAMES, Edward DOWLING, Overseer, James HALL, William JAMES, John DUDDEN, Joseph TUCKER, Thomas HARRISON.

A List of ten Persons made up, [**resolved that**] the two first, Hugh JAMES & William HARRIS be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment as Overseers.

[**Resolved**] That Messrs Edward DOWLING and Peter LUDWELL be appointed collectors of Assessed Taxes.

[**Resolved**] That Mr James HALL be appointed Surveyor of the Highway for High Littleton for the next year at a Salary of Five Pounds fifteen shillings pr. Year.

[**Resolved**] that Mr John BLINMAN be appointed Surveyor of Highways for the Tithing of Hallatrow for the next year at a Salary of Two pounds pr. Year.

[**Resolved**] That a Vote of thanks be returned to Mr William BEAK for his kind and efficient services as Guardian for the past year, and that he take the same for the next year and proposed by Mr John BLINMAN.

[**Resolved**] That the accounts of the Overseers and Surveyors of Highways for High Littleton and the Tithing of Hallatrow have been examined and approved.

[Sgd] John BEAK, Chairman, Churchwarden, Will'm HARRIS, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Ed. DOWLING, Wm. BEAK, William JAMES, James HALL, Isaac COWEN, Thomas HARRISON, Hugh JAMES, John DUDDEN, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer.

April 13th 1846.

The foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined and **approved** by us in Vestry.

[Sgd] Henry W. NORMAN, Curate, John BEAK, John BLINMAN, John JAMES, Wm. BEAK.

Mr John BEAK, having resigned the office of Churchwarden, his son Mr Wm. BEAK was **elected** in his stead.

Messrs John BLINMAN and Mr Wm. BEAK were **elected** Churchwardens at this meeting.

High Littleton Vestry Room, August 29th 1846.

At a Vestry meeting duly called for the Highways of High Littleton,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr James HALL (Surveyor), Mr William BEAK, Mr Hugh JAMES.

Resolved that a Rate for the repair of the roads be forthwith made and collected at five pence in the pound.

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[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Wm. BEAK, Hugh JAMES, James HALL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, November 27 1846.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called, held as above,

Present: Mr BLINMAN, Mr Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr Hugh JAMES.

Resolved that a Church Rate at three pence in the pound be made and collected forthwith.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Hugh JAMES, John REES-MOGG.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25 Feb'y 1847.

At a Vestry duly called this day for the appointment of Constables and other business, the following is a list of persons recommended for appointment:

<u>When served</u>	<u>Names</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
1844,45,46	TUCKER Joseph	High Littleton	Shoemaker
	BEAK William	do.	Farmer
	BLINMAN George	do.	Servant
	HALL James	do.	Farmer
1842	JAMES Hugh	do.	do.
	JAMES John	do.	do.
	JAMES William	do.	Farmer
	BRIMBLE Henry	do.	Miner
1843	ROBBINS William	do.	Baker
	PERRY James	do.	Sawyer
	WALTER James	do.	Coalminer
	ADAMS John	do.	Farmer
	DOLEMAN Charles	Hallatrow	do.
	FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attornies' Clerk
1842	HARRISON Thomas	do.	Butcher
	HARRIS William	do.	Gentleman
	LUDWELL Peter	do.	Farmer
	MULLETT George	do.	Painter

Recommended to sever [*serve*] the office of Constable for the ensuing Year - Joseph TUCKER, and Richard TUCKER, Hallatrow, is willing to serve although not having the qualification.

Resolved that a Rate at Twopence halfpenny in the pound be forthwith collected, for the repairs of the Highways for High Littleton.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman, Wm BEAK, Churchwardens, Hugh JAMES, Overseer, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer, Will'm Rob't Max. MAGGS, James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, Joseph TUCKER, Richard TUCKER.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26 Mar 1847.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: John REES-MOGG Esq're, John BLINMAN, William BEAK, Churchwardens, William HARRIS, Hugh JAMES, Overseers, Edw. DOWLING, James WEEKS, Wm. ROBBINS, William JAMES, James HALL, Robert MAGGS, Henry BLINMAN.

Have examined and **approve** of the accounts of the Overseers for the last year.

Have examined and **approve** of the accounts of the surveyors of Hallatrow Tithing.

Have examined and **approve** of the accounts of the Surveyors of Highways of High Littleton.

[**Resolved**] That William JAMES and Jonas WEEKS be recommended to Magistrates as Overseers for the year ensuing.

[**Resolved**] That James HALL be appointed Surveyor of Highways for High Littleton at the Salary of Six Pounds pr. year.

[**Resolved**] That John BLINMAN be appointed Surveyor of the Highways for Hallatrow at the Salary of Two Pounds pr. year.

[**Resolved**] That Mr William HARRIS and Hugh JAMES be appointed collectors of assessed Taxes for the next year.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Wm. HARRIS, Hugh JAMES, Edward DOWLING, James HALL, James WEEKS, Wm. ROBBINS, Will'm MAGGS, Wm. JAMES, Henry BLINMAN.

1847 April 5.

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At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined and **approved**, and it appears that there is due to the Churchwardens the sum of £13.12.11¾.

Mr William BEAK was **named** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Mr John BLINMAN was **elected** by the Vestry as Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

[*Sgd*] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, John REES-MOGG, Hugh JAMES, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK.

[*Minutes of the same meeting appear in less detail in another book.*]

High Littleton Vestry Room, April 5 1847.

At a Vestry Meeting duly held this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William BEAK, Churchwardens, Mr Hugh JAMES.

The Accounts of the Churchwardens were **passed**, and they were **re-elected**, as appears by the Church Account Book.

It was **resolved** that a New Stove be provided for the Church in the place of the one now there, the same being insufficient to warm the Church, and otherwise imperfect.

[*Sgd*] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, John REES-MOGG, Hugh JAMES, Wm. BEAK, John BLINMAN.

High Littleton Vestry room, May 28 1847.

At a Vestry meeting duly called, held as above,

Present: Mr J. BLINMAN, Mr Wm. BEAK, Church Wardens, Mr H. JAMES, Wm. Rob't MAGGS.

Resolved that a church rate at three pence in the pound be made and collected forthwith.

[*Sgd*] John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Hugh JAMES, Wm. Rob't MAGGS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, June 18th 1847.

At a Vestry Meeting duly held this day pursuant (*sic*) to Notice,

Present: Mr Will'm BEAK, Mr Will'm ROBBINS, Mr James HALL, Mr John JAMES.

Resolved that a Rate at Five Pence in the Pound be Made and Collected for the Repairs of the Highways of the Tithing of High Littleton.

[*Sgd*] Wm. BEAK, John JAMES, James HALL, Wm. ROBBINS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 10th Feb'y 1848.

At a Vestry held this [*day*] pursuant to Notice, for the appointment of Constables for the ensuing year.

<u>When served</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
1844,45,46,47,48	TUCKER Joseph	High Littleton	Shoemaker
	DOLEMAN Charles	Hallatrow	Farmer
	FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attornies' Clerk
1842	HARRISON Thomas	do.	Butcher
	HARRIS William	do.	Gentleman
	LUDWELL Peter	do.	Farmer
	MULLETT George	do.	Painter
	BEAK William	High Littleton	Farmer
	BLINMAN George	do.	Servant
	DOWLING Henry	do.	Farmer
1843	HALL James	do.	Farmer
	JAMES William	do.	Farmer
	ROBBINS William	do.	Baker
	WALTER James	do.	Miner

[**Resolved**] That Joseph TUCKER of High Littleton and Richard TUCKER of Hallatrow be recommended to the Magistrates as fit and proper persons for Constables.

[*Sgd*] Wm. Rob't MAGGS, Henry DOWLING, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 25 1847 [1848].

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr Charles [*James*] HALL, Mr BEAK.

Resolved that a Highway Rate of two pence halfpenny in the pound be made & collected forthwith.

[*Sgd*] John REES-MOGG, Wm. BEAK, James HALL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1848.

At the annual Vestry held this day pursuant to Notice,

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Have examined and **approve** of the accounts for the past Year.

Have **recommended** as overseers for the Year Thomas HARRISON of Hallatrow and William ROBBINS of High Littleton.

Have examined, compared with Vouchers and **allow** the accounts of Mr James HALL for the Highways of High Littleton.

Have **recommend[ed]** Mr William JAMES as Surveyor of Highways for High Littleton for the next year at the Salary of Six Pounds.

Have examined, compared with vouchers and **allow** the accounts of Mr John BLINMAN for the Highways of Hallatrow.

Have **recommended** Mr John BLINMAN as Surveyor of Highways for the Hamlet of Hallatrow for the next year at the salary of Two pounds.

[Resolved] That Messrs Jonas WEEKS of Hallatrow and William JAMES of High Littleton be appointed collectors of assessed Taxes for the ensuing Year.

Proposed, seconded and **carried** unanimously that Henry BLINMAN shall receive the sum of Sixpence in the pound for all monies by him collected as Poor Rates.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens, Wm. JAMES, Overseer, Wm. HARRIS, Henry DOWLING, James HALL, Henry BLINMAN, Ass't Overseer.

1848 April 24th.

At a Vestry meeting duly called the foregoing *[Churchwardens']* accounts were examined and **approved**, and it appears there is due to the Churchwardens the sum of £15.16. 5¼.

Mr Wm. BEAK was **named** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Mr John BLINMAN was **elected** by the Parish as Churchwarden for the Ensuing year.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, I. COWEN, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens.

At a Vestry meeting held the 24th of April 1848,

it was **resolved** the *[that]* £1 should be given to the Constable of High Littleton as a remuneration for keeping order and quietness at the Publick House and Beer shops on the sabbath day and also throughout the week.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, I. COWEN, Wm. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Churchwardens.

High Littleton Vestry room, Sept'r 1st 1848.

At Vestry Meeting duly cal'd, held as 'bove,

Present: Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr Wm. JAMES, Wm. BEAK.

Resolved that Church Rate at three pence in the pound be made and collected forthwith.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Churchwarden, Henry DOWLING, William JAMES.

1848 April 6th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly Called for the Highways of High Littleton,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr BEAK, Mr HALL, Mr W. JAMES, Mr ROBBINS.

Resolved that a Highway Rate be made and forthwith Collected of five Pence in the Pound.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Will'm BEAK, James HALL, Wm. JAMES, Wm. ROBBINS.

1848 Aug't 24th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly Called by Notice affixed to the Church Door on the 20th of August Inst. & having Remained there till this Day,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr Wm. BEAK, Mr Wm. JAMES.

Resolved that a Highway Rate be made and forthwith Collected, of ten Pence in the Pound.

Resolved that the Approach from the Turnpike Road up Littleton Hill into Langford's Lane be Lowered, so as to Make a proper approach into the same, forthwith.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman, Wm. BEAK, Wm. JAMES.

1849 July 26th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly Called for the Highways of High Littleton,

Present: Mr James HALL, Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr Wm. BEAK.

Resolved that a Highway Rate be Made and forthwith Collected, at three pence in the Pound.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Henry DOWLING, James HALL, Wm. JAMES.

Parish of High Littleton, 23rd Feb'y 1849.

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Copy of the List of Persons liable to serve as Constables.

At a Meeting of the inhabitants of this Parish in Vestry, held after due notice the 23rd day of February at the Vestry Room, for the purpose of making out a List of all men residing within the said parish & qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish, to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset acting in and for the Division of Chew & Chewton.

	<u>TUCKER Richard</u>	Hallatrow	Shoemaker	1843 to 1849
	<u>TUCKER Joseph</u>	High Littleton	do.	1844 to 1849
	BEAK William			
	DOLEMAN Charles			
	DOWLING Henry			
	FERBRACHE Henry			
	FLOWER George			
1842	HARRISON Thomas			
	HALL James			
	LUDWELL Peter			
1843	ROBBINS William			
	TUCKER Edward			
	WEEKS Pascal			

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman.

30th March 1849.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr John BLINMAN (Churchwarden), Mr Henry BLINMAN (Assist. Overseer), Mr James WEEKS, Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr George FLOWER, Mr John ADAMS, Mr I. COWEN, Mr James HALL, Mr William JAMES, Mr BEAK (William), Mr ROBBINS (Overseer).

The Assistant Overseer produced his Accounts for the past year, which were not closed in consequence of the non payment of certain professional Bills delivered, with regard to which he wished the direction of the Vestry. The following is a List of such Bills:

Magistrates' Clerks' fees in settlements of Solomon FEAR, and Sarah CHIVERS, and other business £2 6. 6.

A Bill from Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS in relation to the settlement of Elizabeth FOSTER and three children £3.11. 8.

Another in relation to the same matter £5. 8. 2.

Another in relation to the settlement of Elizabeth FOSTER (independent Pauper), living with her Mother, £3.15. 6.

Another in relation to the settlement of Solomon FEAR £5.12. 8.

Another in relation to the settlement of Sarah CHIVERS £3. 1. 6.

Moved by Mr BEAK, seconded by Mr WEEKS and **resolved** that the Magistrates' Clerks' Fees of £2. 6. 6 be paid, but that, with regard to the above Bills, the same be submitted to the Clerk of the Peace for taxation, together with the Bill of Fees and a Copy of this Minute, it being the opinion of this Vestry that many of the items charged in such Bills formed part of the Official Duty of the Magistrates' Clerks, and should have been included in the Bill of Fees; The Assistant Overseer (Mr Henry BLINMAN) stating to this Meeting that he had not in such cases consulted Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS professionally.

It appears that the total Receipts for the year were	819.16. 2
The balance in hand at the commencement being	<u>32.17. 4½</u>
	£852.13. 6½

The total payments for the like period were	£788.10. 6
Balance now in hand subject to the foregoing professional Bills	<u>64. 3. 0½</u>
	£852.13. 6½

Have **recommended** as Overseers for the next Year, Charles DOLEMAN Sr. of Hallatrow and George FLOWER of Ridens Farm, High Littleton.

[**Resolved**] That the assistant overseer shall receive the sum of Twelve pounds for his services for the Year.

Mr Henry BLINMAN, having **resigned** the office of assistant overseer, Mr COHEN (*sic*) was nominated and **elected** for the ensuing year, the duties of the said overseer now appointed be as follows, viz: the execution of all the legal duties of a parochial overseer, including the collection of rates. It was **resolved** that Mr COHEN should name a person as surety for the due execution of his office within a week from this date to the Churchwardens and overseers, and that the assistant overseer call quarterly vestries for the business of the parish, and at any other periods necessary.

It was **resolved** that Mr James WEEKS and Mr Wm. JAMES be appointed as Collectors of assessed Taxes.

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Mr Wm. JAMES was **nominated** as Surveyor of Highways for the parish of High Littleton for the next year at the salary of six pounds, and Mr John BLINMAN was **nominated** as Surveyor of Highways for the Hamlet of Hallatrow at the salary of two pounds.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Wm. ROBBINS, James WEEKS, George FLOWER, James HALL, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

1849 April 9.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined and **approved**, and it was **ordered** that the balance of £2.14. 5¾ be carried to the ensuing year's account.

Mr William BEAK was **named** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Mr John BLINMAN was unanimously **elected** by the Vestry as Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, I. COWEN, William JAMES, Thomas HARRISON.

1849 April 9th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of Notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr WILLIAMS, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr William BEAK(E), Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwardens, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr HARRISON, Mr William JAMES, Mr COWEN.

Mr [*William*] WILLIAMS produced certain Papers and Documents in reference to the statements made by Mr Henry BLINMAN at the last Vestry, that he had not consulted Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS professionally, by which it appeared that in several of the cases mentioned he had received their professional assistance.

Resolved, that this Vestry be adjourned to Thursday next at ten o'Clock for the purpose of reconsidering the Minute of 30th March last on this subject.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

Mr WILLIAMS protested against the adjournment and Mr BLINMAN (Churchwarden) declined to vote. The Division was 4 to 3.

1849 April 12th.

At an adjourned Meeting of the Vestry of the 9th instant in pursuance of the Resolution for that purpose,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, in the Chair, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr William BEAK(E), Churchwarden, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William JAMES, Mr COWEN, Assistant Overseer, Mr WEEKS, Mr ROBBINS, Mr FLOWER, Mr DOLMAN, Mr Jos'h TUCKER, Mr Henry DOWLING.

The payment of the several Bills delivered by Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS was taken into consideration.

Mr COWEN stated that he had requested Mr Henry BLINMAN's attendance at this Vestry to explain the statements made by him at the Vestry of 30th March, that he had not professionally consulted Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS on the matters mentioned in their Bills delivered, but that he had declined to attend.

The Assistant Overseer was then sent to Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS with a written communication from the Chairman, requesting to be furnished with the Bills which it appeared had been redelivered to them by the late Assistant Overseer; on his return he stated that he had seen Mr WILLIAMS, who had given him no reply.

Resolved unanimously that, in consequence of the non production this day of the before mentioned Bills, and there being reason to believe that they have been already sent by Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS to the Clerk of the Peace for taxation, a Copy of the Minute of 30th March (omitting the statement therein of the late Assistant Overseer) and of this day's proceedings be sent by the Parish Officers to the Clerk of the Peace, in order that his attention may be called to the original cause and object of the Taxation.

Resolved unanimously also that the Parish Officers, including the Assistant Overseer, are hereby desired to incur no legal Professional expenses (except Official Fees) without the authority of a Vestry, at which directions shall be given what legal measures shall be adopted, and who shall be professionally retained, in reference to the several matters to be submitted to such Vestry, and that all Law Bills to be hereafter charged to the Parish be sent to the Clerk of the Peace for taxation.

[*Insertion* - initialled H.H.M.] The Assistant Overseer was **directed** to make and collect forthwith a Poor Rate at five pence in the Pound.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens, Henry DOWLING, John REES-MOGG, Wm. ROBBINS, William JAMES, Jonas WEEKS, Joseph TUCKER, Charles DOLMAN, Isaac COWEN, George FLOWER.

1849 April 27.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of Notice,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, in the Chair, Mr BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr BEAK(E), Mr COWEN, Assistant Overseer, Mr ROBBINS, Mr DOLMAN, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr William JAMES.

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[Pencil insertion] Mr Isaac COWEN having reported that he had sent to the Clerk of the Peace agreeably to the third resolution of the Vestry of the 12th April, and had received a reply from him dated the 13th April, which was read and in which he stated he had taxed the Bills and considered the Charges made so reasonable as not to require any alteration and to render their presence at taxation unnecessary, and that he was perfectly at a loss to understand by the Resolution the objections raised. *[Note at end - In fairness the above ought to have been inserted; or a copy of the Letter. H.M.]*

Resolved unanimously that the Churchwardens and Overseers with the Assistant Overseer be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee with full powers to obtain, and, so far as they shall be found correct, to settle the six Bills delivered against the Parish by Messrs HILL & WILLIAMS, which were redelivered to them by the late Assistant Overseer.

The Surveyors of the High Littleton Roads and of the Hallatrow Roads stated that it would be necessary for each Tithing that rates of 5d. in the pound should be made, which rates they were respectively **authorized** to collect.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, John REES-MOGG, Wm. BEAK, Wm. ROBBINS, Chas. DOLMAN, Wm. JAMES, Isaac COWEN, John BLINMAN.

1849 May 25th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of Notice,

Present: J. REES-MOGG in the Chair, Wm. BEAK, Churchwarden, George FLOWER, Overseer, William JAMES, Waywarden, Isaac COWEN, Assis't Overseer, Charles DOLMAN, Overseer, James WEEKS.

The Assistant Overseer produced a List of persons to be recommended to be exempt from paying Poor Rates. The same was **approved** by the Vestry, but the Vestry are of opinion (*sic*) that it is advisable that in future the Rates on small cottages should be paid by the Landlords.

Ordered that the Assistant Overseer Mr Isaac COWEN do get in from the late overseers all Books, papers and other property of the Parish in their possession and that the same be put away in the Parish Chest.

A Vestry was also held for the High ways of the Tithing of High Littleton.

The Offer of the General Surveyor of the Bath Roads for the supply of stone from the Red Stone Quarry was taken into consideration, but it was the opinion of the Vestry that such offer ought not to be accepted, in as much as the Waywarden would not be able to find employment for Labourers of the Parish, it being proposed that the Work of the quarry should be done by the servants of the Turnpike Trustees.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Wm. BEAK, Geo. FLOWER, C. DOLMAN, Wm. JAMES, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN.

June 22nd 1849.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of Notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Capt'n SCOBELL, J. REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, William BEAK, Churchwarden, William JAMES, Surveyor of Highways, William ROBBINS, Isaac COWEN, Assis't Overseer.

Capt'n SCOBELL read an Agreement made between the Surveyor of the Bath Turnpike Roads and the Surveyor of the Highways of the Parish for the use of the quarry in Langford's Way, on the following terms, Viz't: £3 per entres (*sic*). 10s. per annum for repairs of the Roads and £1 per annum to the Tenant of the field for damages, together with 1½d. per yard for Freeshare to the owner. **Resolved** Unanimously that such agreement be approved and Confirmed and that the allowance for haulage per mile be 9d. and a proportionate rate for less than a mile, but the surveyor of the Roads is authorized to provide a man to help load the carts at the quarry.

The Churchwardens produced an estimate (*sic*) from George HAM to Colour and Whitewash the Church at £5.15. 0. **Resolved** the Tender be accepted.

Mr Charles LOVELL tendered to put in two Windows in the Church over the Roof of the Chancel for the sum of five pounds; **carried** unanimously that the work be done forthwith.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

July 30th 1849.

At a vestry holden in pursuance of Notice,

Present: John REES-MOGG in the Chair, Findlater CRANG, Surgeon, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, William BEAK, Churchwarden, William JAMES, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer, Joseph TUCKER, Richard TUCKER.

Resolved that, in the opinion of this vestry, two Committees should be appointed, one for High Littleton and the other for Hallatrow, for the purpose of inspecting from time to time all nuisances in the respective districts, with a view to their removal and that such Committees be requested, in all cases where it shall be necessary, to take the requisite steps for enforcing the removal, through the powers vested in the Board of Guardians.

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[Resolved] That the Committee for High Littleton be as follows: John REES-MOGG Esq're, Mr William BEAK, Mr William JAMES, Mr James HALL.

And for Hallatrow: Findlater CRANG Esq're, Surgeon, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr James WEEKS, and that the Churchwardens, Overseers and Ass't Overseer be Ex Officio Members of each Committee and that such Committees be requested to report their proceedings at a vestry meeting to be holden on Thursday the 9th day of August next at ten o'Clock in the forenoon.

An Order for removal of Emma FLOWER and her family from Radstock to High Littleton was read; it was **resolved** that the Assi't overseer do obtain Copies of the Depositions on which such Order was made, and do submit the same to a vestry meeting.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Findlater CRANG, John BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Wm. BEAK, Wm. JAMES, James HALL, Jos'h TUCKER, Richard TUCKER, I. COWEN.

At a vestry held duly in Pursuance of Notice 9th Aug't 1849,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, William BEAK, Churchwarden, William JAMES, James HALL, William ROBBINS, Isaac COWEN, Findlater CRANG, Surgeon, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN, William WILLIAMS.

The Committee appointed at the last vestry reported that they had visited and inspected the several houses in their respective districts and had given recommendations for the removal of several nuisance[s], many of which have been removed accordingly, but that some still remain.

Resolved that the Committees do continue their visits weekly and that they be requested to report to the Board of Guardians from time to time any cases which may require legal interference (*sic*).

Resolved that Mr Edward DOWLING be added to the Hallatrow Committee and the Rev'd H.H. MOGG to the High Littleton Committee.

Resolved that the Parish Officers be requested to provide white lime to distribute through the parish for the purpose of whitewashing the houses of the cottagers.

Copies of the Depositions of the removal of Emma FLOWER and her two children were laid before the Vestry, from which it appear'd that the Order for their removal was properly made, and that the Assistant Overseer do pay to Mr C. NAPPER the sum of 6s/2d, his fees for such Depositions.

A Letter was read from the Rural Dean with a recommendation for the Painting and repairs of the Church.

Resolved that the external painting be performed, but that the consideration of the other work be postponed until a future time.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, Findlater CRANG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Church Wardens, James WEEKS, John REES-MOGG, James HALL, Charles DOLMAN, Wm. ROBBINS.

At a vestry duly held in pursuance of Notice, 14th Sept'r 1849,

Present: John REES-MOGG in the Chair, William BEAK, Churchwarden, William JAMES, Waywarden, Isaac COWEN, Assist. Overseer.

Resolved that a Rate of 15d. pence (*sic*) in the pound be made and Collected forthwith, to pay the first Instalment of Call from the Board of Guardians of £400.

Resolved that a Rate of five pence in the pound be made for the repairs of the Highways of the Tithing of High Littleton.

A list of persons, whom it is proposed to excuse from payment of Poor Rates now due from them, was this Day laid before the vestry and Approved, and the Assistant Overseer was **directed** to make the necessary application to the Magistrates for that purpose.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman, Wm. BEAK, Wm. JAMES, I. COWEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, October 4th 1849.

At a vestry Meeting duly held pursuant to Notice,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Captain SCOBELL, R.N., John REES-MOGG, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN, Findlater CRANG, Surgeon, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, Overseer, Charles DOLMAN Junior, George FLOWER, Overseer, Jonas WEEKS, James HALL, William BEAK, Churchwarden, Henry DOWLING, Peter LUDWELL, Joseph TUCKER, William WILLIAMS.

Three cases of Cholera having occurred in this Parish but the disease (*sic*) to all present appeare (*sic*) having disappeared. **Resolved** that this vestry be Adjourned until Tuesday Next the 9th Instant at half past Nine o'Clock in the Morning.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 9th Oct'r 1849.

At a vestry Meeting duly held by Adjournment this Day,

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Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, William BEAK, Churchwarden, George FLOWER, Overseer, William JAMES, Waywarden, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN, Findlater CRANG, Surgeon, John REES-MOGG.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed for High Littleton of the following Persons: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, William BEAK, Churchwarden, George FLOWER, Overseer, John REES-MOGG, James HALL, William JAMES, Henry DOWLING, Isaac COWEN, George BLINMAN, William ROBBINS, Captain SCOBELL.

For the purpose of visiting from House to House, *[resolved that]* the Parish be divided (*sic*) into the following Districts, Viz't:

Rugborne & Kingwell & Mearns to be visited by Captain SCOBELL, Mr George FLOWER and Mr James HALL.

Ratcombe, including the Inn, to be visited by Captain SCOBELL with Mr George BLINMAN and Mr Henry DOWLING.

The Houses on the Turnpike Road as far as *[Richard]* ELM(E)S' Beer House to be visited by Mr William ROBBINS, Mr Henry DOWLING and Isaac COWEN.

The Houses in front of the Church & as far as the School Room to be visited by the Rev'd H.H. MOGG and Mr John REES-MOGG,

Stephen's Hill, Holly Bush and Langford's Lane by Mr William BEAK and Mr James WEEKS.

Hallatrow to be visited by Mr James WEEKS, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William WILLIAMS, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, Mr Edw'd DOWLING, Mr Thomas HARRISON.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

[Next page, no date, unsigned.] It is the opinion of this vestry that in case of Burial of Cholera Cases, that the Grave should be 10 Feet Deep, for which the sexton was to receive 10 shillings and in Pauper cases 6 shillings, being 2 shillings extra in the first Case and 3 in the latter.

Vestry Room, High Littleton, 23rd Nov'r 1849.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day in pursuance of Notice, for the purpose of Making a Church Rate for the necessary repairs of the Church etc.

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr George MULLET/T/, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr John BLINMAN.

Resolved that the Churchwardens be and they are hereby Impowered, to make and collect a Church Rate of 4d. in the pound forthwith.

[Sgd] William BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church Wardens, George Sage MULLETT, Isaac COWEN, Charles DOLMAN.

Parish of High Littleton 22nd Feb'y 1850.

Copy of the List of Persons liable to serve as Constables.

At a Meeting of the inhabitants of this Parish in Vestry held after due Notice the 22nd day of February, at the Vestry Room, for the purpose of making out a list of all men residing within the said Parish and qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset, acting in and for the Division of Chew & Chewton.

<u>When served</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
1849	BEAK William	High Littleton	Yeoman
	BLINMAN George	do.	do.
	BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	do.
	DOLMAN Charles	do.	do.
	DOLMAN Charles J'nr	do.	do.
	FERBRACHE Henry	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk
	HALL James	High Littleton	Yeoman
	DOWLING Henry	do.	do.
	FLOWER George	do.	do.
1842	HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher
	JAMES William	High Littleton	Yeoman
	MULLETT George	Hallatrow	Painter
1844 to 1850	TUCKER Joseph	High Littleton	Shoe Maker
	TUCKER Edward	do.	Schoolmaster
	WEEKS Pascol	do.	Gardner

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	WALTER James	do.	Coal Miner
1843	ROBBINS William	do.	Baker
1843 to 1850	TUCKER Richard	Hallatrow	Shoe Maker

Proposed by (by) Mr Henry BLINMAN and Seconded by Mr John BLINMAN, That Mr Henry DOWLING, George BLINMAN and Richard TUCKER be **Recommended** to serve as Constables for the ensuing year.
(Signed) John BLINMAN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1850.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: the Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK(E), Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Overseer, Mr William JAMES, Waywarden, Mr James HALL, Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr Edward DOWLING, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Charles DOLMAN Jn'r, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Joseph TUCKER, Mr Peter LUDWELL, Mr John COX, Mr Findlater CRANG, Mr Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer.

The overseers produced their accounts for the past year; they were examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr George BLINMAN and Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior be appointed overseers for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr William BEAK and seconded by Mr James HALL that Mr Isaac COWEN be appointed Assistant overseer for the ensuing year at the salary of twelve pounds - **Carried**.

Resolved that Mr James WEEKS and Mr Charles DOLMAN Sen'r be appointed Collectors of Assessed Taxes for the ensuing year.

Have examined, compared with vouchers and **allowed** the accounts of Mr William JAMES for the Highways of Littleton.

Have examined, compared with vouchers and **allowed** the accounts of Mr John BLINMAN for the Highways of Hallatrow.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed Surveyor of Highways for High Littleton at the salary of six pounds for the year,

and that Mr John BLINMAN be appointed for the hamlet of Hallatrow without salary.

Resolved that a rate of Sixteen pence in the pound be made forthwith for the necessary relief of the poor of this parish and for such other purposes as required by law,

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, Findlater CRANG, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN.

1850 April 1st.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined and **approved**, and it was **order'd** that the Balance of £2.16. 2¼ be carried to the ensuing year's account.

Mr William BEAK was **named** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Mr John BLINMAN was unanimously **elected** by the Vestry as Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, Chairman, John BLINMAN, G.T. SCOBELL, H.S. SAVORY, James WEEKS, William JAMES, Wm. BEAK.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 1st April 1850.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden pursuant to Notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Capt'n SCOBELL R.N., Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, Mr James WEEKS, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Rev'd H.S. SAVERY.

The Rev'd H.H. MOGG produced an Estimate for the alterations of a portion of the Pews in the body of [*the*] Church and **proposed** it to the Vestry.

Proposed by Captain SCOBELL and seconded by Mr COWEN that such alterations be carried into effect.

It was proposed by Capt'n SCOBELL and seconded by Mr William BEAK that the expences incurred by such alterations be paid for out of the Church rates, which was **agreed** to.

Moved by Capt'n SCOBELL, seconded by Mr James WEEKS that the Rev'd H. MOGG, the Rev'd H.S. SAVERY, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William BEAK, Mr John REES-MOGG and Mr Henry FERBRACHE and Captain SCOBELL R.N. be appointed a Committee to superintend the alterations and that the Estimate of such Tradesmen, as may think proper to tender for such alterations, be for the future consideration of the Committee.

Moved by Captain SCOBELL and seconded by Mr William JAMES that, after the "venite exultemus" in the morning service and at the commencement of Psalms of the day in the afternoon service, all unoccupied sittings in the Pews be deemed open to the Public.

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[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Vicar, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens, G.T. SCOBELL, James WEEKS, Henry FERBRACHE, H.S. SAVORY, Curate, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, April 15th 1850.

At a Meeting of the Committee appointed at the last Vestry to carry into effect the resolution for the alterations of the Pews,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Chairman, The Rev'd H.S. SAVERY, John REES-MOGG, Findlater CRANG, Henry FERBRACHE, William BEAK (Churchwarden).

Three Tenders were produced for the proposed alterations as follows:

Mr John THATCHER £34.10. 0, Mr James PARKER £43. 0. 0, Mr Charles LOVELL £28. 0. 0.

It appear'd by the statement of C. LOVELL's Brother that he had omitted one Pew in his Tender, which he stated would cause an extra expence of £1. 0. 0.

Resolved that LOVELL's Tender with the above addition be accepted at £29. 0. 0, he engaging to have the work completed by the 18th of May and to clean out the Church every Saturday, so as to be fit for Divine Service on Sunday.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, H.S. SAVORY, Wm. BEAK, Findlater CRANG, John REES-MOGG, Henry FERBRACHE, Valentine LOVELL For Charles LOVELL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25th May 1850.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to Notice,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Capt'n SCOBELL R.N., J. REES-MOGG Esq're, Rev'd H.S. SAVERY, Findlater CRANG Esq're, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, William BEAK, Churchwarden, Charles DOLMAN, Henry DOWLING, Henry FERBRACHE, William JAMES, James WEEKS, William ROBBINS, Isaac COWEN.

It was **resolved** that the following Pews should be appropriated and they are hereby appropriated, and declared to belong to, and shall be enjoyed by, and for the use and accommodation of such several persons who shall or may, for the time being, be respectively Inhabitants of the said Parish, and Occupiers of the Several Dwelling Houses and Farm Houses, herein after to be particularly mentioned, subject to the payment of one Pound for each (sitting in the new pews).

Resolved that, Subject to the payments of the above sums, the distribution of the Pews be deferred till a future vestry.

Mr Charles LOVELL having tendered an estimate for the additional alterations, lowering Pews, removing reading Desk and Pulpit etc. It was **resolved** that the work be commenced forthwith, the whole to be Completed for the sum of Twenty One Pounds, and it is further **resolved** that the Monies arising from the disposal of the new sittings be appropriated towards the alterations in the Church.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Henry FERBRACHE, James WEEKS, Findlater CRANG, William JAMES, Chas. DOLMAN, Henry DOWLING, William ROBBINS.

At a vestry duly held pursuant to Notice this 6th day of June 1850,

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Mr William BEAK, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Jonas WEEKS, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Charles DOLMAN J'nr.

Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, applied for a Church Rate of 4d. in the Pound; **proposed** by Mr Henry FERBRACHE, seconded by Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, that such Rate be deferred until this day Three Months.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

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At a Vestry Meeting duly held pursuant to Notice,

Present: Mr James WEEKS in the Chair, Mr William BEAKE, Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, Overseer, Mr Charles DOLMAN Senior, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr I. COWEN, Mr William WILLIAMS, Mr Peter LUDWELL.

The Assistant Overseer stated to the vestry that he had to pay a Union Call for £210 on the 19th July; **proposed** by Mr William BEAKE and seconded by Mr Thomas BATT that a Rate at 18d. in the Pound be made to meet such Call.

[Sgd] James WEEKS, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September 6th 1850.

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At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Parish of High Littleton, County Somerset.

Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in the above Parish on Friday the 6th Sep'r next at Ten o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of making a Church Rate and disposing of the additional Pews, which have been added in consequence of the recent alterations in the said Church, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry.

Dated this 31st Day of August 1850, John BLINMAN, William BEAK."

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Captain SCOBELL R.N., J. REES-MOGG, F. CRANG, John BLINMAN (Churchwarden), William BEAK, Churchwarden, George BLINMAN (Overseer), Henry FERBRACHE, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN, William JAMES, Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, The Rev'd H.S. SAVORY, James HALL, Mrs JAMES, George MULLETT, D.C. WAIT Esq're.

Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, stated to the Vestry that a rate of 5d. to the pound was required to defray the necessary expences of the Church; proposed by Mr W. BEAK, seconded by J. REES-MOGG, that such rate be allowed. Moved by Henry FERBRACHE, seconded by George BLINMAN, that the making such rate be defer[r]ed until after the disposal of the Pews; upon a shew of hands being called for, the former motion was **carried**.

It was **proposed** that the free pews, situated in the South west portion of the Church, be subject to the disposal of this vestry to certain dwelling House or Houses herein after to be mentioned.

It was **Resolved** that the following Pews should be appropriated and they are hereby appropriated and declared to belong to and shall be enjoyed by and for the use and accommodation of such several persons who shall or may for the time being be respectively Inhabitants of the said Parish, and Occupiers of the several Dwelling Houses and Farm Houses herein after to be particularly mentioned.

No. 1 Pew - Rugbourn Farm now Occupied by Mr James HALL.

No. 2 - Farm now Occupied by Jonas WEEKS, late of John PURNELL Esq're, now D.C. WAIT Esq're.

No. 3 - Mrs Jane SCOBELL, Hallatrow Cottage.

N. 4 - Findlater CRANG, Batch House, Hallatrow.

No. 5 - The House at Hallatrow belonging to Mrs [Mary] JAMES, now in the Occupation of Henry FERBRACHE.

6 - Hallatrow Farm now Occupied by John BLINMAN.

7 - 4 sittings to the Dwelling House formerly belonging to late George SPREET [SPREAT].

8 - [William Jones] BURDETT's Farm now Occupied by Henry DOWLING.

9 - High Littleton Cottage now Occupied by Wm. JAMES.

10 - The House at Hallatrow now Occupied by Mr [William] WILLIAMS.

11 - To the House belonging to John DUDDEN, provided he pays £3.

12 - Charles DOLMAN, Red House Farm, 3 sittings & George MULLETT[T] of Hallatrow, 2 sittings.

13 - The House belong[ing] to Mrs ROSSITER, now in the Occupation of William ROBBINS, 3 sittings, and the House belonging to J. REES-MOGG Esq're, now occupied by Isaac COWEN, 2 sittings.

Of the above, the following being newly appropriated, are liable to the payment by the propr[ie]tors of the above Houses, of one pound each sitting:

No. 5 - five pounds for Mr H. FERBRACHE,

do. 11 - Three pounds Mr John DUDDEN,

do. 12 - Three pounds Mr Charles DOLMAN,

do. 13 - Three pounds Mr William ROBBINS and Two pounds for Mr Isaac COWEN,

making a Total of Sixteen Pounds to be carried to the Credit of the Church Rate.

The Churchwardens are requested to make the for[e]going Rate of 5d. in the pound and forthwith to collect the same, for the purpose of Defraying the expences incurred in consequence of the late alterations in the Church.

A plan of the sittings this day appropriated appears on the next page.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Churchwardens.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September the 13th 1850.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry Meeting will be held in the vestry Room on Friday next the 13th September 1850 at Eleven o'Clock in the Morning, for the purpose of reconsidering, rev(e)ising and altering the appropriation of the Pews and sittings in the Church, made on Friday last the 6th of September instant and for making a fresh appropriation thereof.

Dated this 8th September 1850, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, George BLINMAN, Overseer."

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Captain SCOBELL R.N., F. CRANG, W. WILLIAMS, John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, William BEAK, Churchwarden, Charles DOLMAN, Overseer, William JAMES, George MULLETT, Charles DOLMAN, Thomas HARRISON, Henry FERBRACHE, Thomas BATT, James

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WEEKS, Rev'd H.S. SAVERY, Isaac COWEN, Mrs Jane SCOBELL, John Ustick SCOBELL, Edward DOWLING, George BLINMAN, Overseer, D.C. WAIT, John BUSH, James HALL.

Resolved that the Resolutions of the 6th September inst. appropriating the Pews be varied, with the consent of the several parties interested, on the authority of the Churchwardens and with the acquiescence of the vestry, to the following extent:

No. 1 - Formerly appropriated to Rugborne Farm, from henceforth to Hallatrow Cottage Occupied by Mrs [Jane] SCOBELL.

No. 2 - Formerly appropriated to the Farm house Occupied by Jonas WEEKS, late John PURNELL Esq're, now D.C. WAIT Esq're, from henceforth to Elm Cottage, Hallatrow Occupied by Mr WILLIAMS.

No. 3 - Formerly appropriated to Mrs Jane SCOBELL, Hallatrow Cottage, from henceforth to the Farm House Occupied by Jonas WEEKS, late John PURNELL Esq're, now D.C. WAIT Esq're.

No. 10 - Formerly appropriated to Elm Cottage Occupied by Mr [William] WILLIAMS, from henceforth to Rugborne Farm Occupied by James HALL.

Proposed by Mr Henry FERBRACHE, seconded by Mr George BLINMAN, that the former resolution passed on 25th May last, respecting the payment of one Pound per Sitting, be rescinded.

Proposed by John Ustick[e] SCOBELL, seconded by Mr James WEEKS, that the appropriations of the new Sittings, passed on the 6th Sept'r and on which a payment of one Pound was imposed, should still hold good.

Proposed by Captain SCOBELL, seconded by Mr [William] BEAK, that the vestry Room wall be painted to the height of 5 feet, George MULLETT having offered to do so for the sum of six Shillings.

An Estimate having been produced by Mr Charles LOVELL for alterations in [the] South Gallery of the Church for the sum of eight Pounds, it was **resolved** that such alterations be defer[r]ed until a future vestry, it being the opinion of this vestry that such alterations are requ[i]site.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Church Wardens, G.T. SCOBELL, J. Ustick SCOBELL, Wm. WILLIAMS, Findlater CRANG, Dan'l C. WAIT, James WEEKS, Henry FERBRACHE, Charles DOLMAN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, October 4th 1850.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Parish of High Littleton, County of Somerset.

Notice is hereby given that a vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Friday the 4th October next at Ten o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of declaring and Ordering that the owners of Tenements in this Parish, the Yearly Value whereof shall not exceed six Pounds, shall be rated and assessed to the Rates for the relief of the Poor, and to the rates for the repairs of the Highways, in respect of such Tenements instead of the Occupiers thereof; And for fixing a rate for the next half year to meet a Union Call for Four hundred and forty Pounds."

Present: Captain SCOBELL in the Chair, William WILLIAMS, Charles DOLMAN Junior, George MULLETT, Thomas BATT, William JAMES, James HALL, Isaac COWEN, William BEAK, John BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN.

Moved by Mr WILLIAMS, seconded by Mr George MULLETT, that this vestry do and they hereby declar[e] and order that the Owners of Tenements in this Parish, the yearly rateable value whereof do not exceed £6, shall from Lady day next be rated and assessed to the rates for the relief of the Poor and Highways rates in respect of such Tenements, instead of the Occupiers thereof, and that in case any Owner shall give notice required by the 4th section of the statute 13 & 14 Vict. C.99, within 14 days after next Lady Day of his desire to pay the rates for one year, whether such Tenements be Occupied or Unoccupied, such Owner shall be assessed to the rates at one half of the amount at which such Tenements would be liable to be rated in case the said act had not passed.

Moved as an amendment by Mr William BEAK, seconded by Mr James WEEKS, that the Act, so far as the Law will admit, shall be in op(p)eration immediately, but that the remaining part of the motion be now approved and adopted (a)from and after Lady Day.

Moved by Mr James WEEKS, seconded by Mr William BEAK, that the Assist. Overseer be directed to make a rate of 2s./9d. in the Pound to meet the call from the Union for £440, the first collection to be fifteen pence in the pound and the second Eighteen pence in the pound.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, James WEEKS, Thomas BATT, Charles DOLMAN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, December 20th 1850.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Parish of High Littleton, County of Somerset.

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Notice is hereby given that a vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Friday next the 20th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of appointing a Sexton, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry.

Dated this 14th Day of December 1850, William BEAK, Churchwarden."

Present: The Rev'd H.S. SAVERY in the Chair, John REES-MOGG Esq're, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, Findlater CRANG Esq're, Mr James WEEKS, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Charles DOLMAN Sen'r.

Mr FEAR the Organist **agreed** to continue the organ at a salary of £15 per annum instead of the present salary of £20, being a reduction of £5 per annum commencing 25th December 1850, the above sum of £15 per annum, the organist salary, to be raised by subscription.

The Vicar, having appointed Mr Isaac COWEN Clerk to the Church, in the place of the late James CHIVERS deceased, the Churchwardens do hereby **appoint** Mr Isaac COWEN Sexton also.

[Sgd] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, John REES-MOGG, Findlater CRANG, James WEEKS, Wm. JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, February 14th 1851.

At a vestry meeting held this Evening pursuant to notice, the following is a list of persons Eligible to serve the Office of Constable for the Year Ensuing.

Present: Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, in the Chair, Mr William ROBBINS, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Joseph TUCKER & John REES-MOGG Esq'r.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>when last served</u>
BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	Yeoman	
DOLMAN Charles	do.	do.	
FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attorney's Clerk	
DOWLING Henry	High Littleton	Yeoman	1849 to 1851
HALL James	do.	do.	
HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher	1842
ROBBINS William	High Littleton	Baker	1843
WALTER James	do.	Coal Miner	
WEEKS Pascol	do.	Gardner	
PEARCE Giles	do.	Coal Haullier	
BLINMAN James	Hallatrow	Yeoman	not rated but willing to serve

Resolved that Mr William ROBBINS and Mr Henry DOWLING be recommended to the Magistrates to serve for High Littleton, Mr Thomas HARRISON and Mr James BLINMAN for the Hamlet of Hallatrow, as Constables for the ensuing Year.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Churchwarden.

High Littleton vestry Room, 28th March 1851.

At the Annual vestry held this Day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Parish of High Littleton, County Somerset.

Notice is hereby given that the annual vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in the above Parish on Friday next the 28th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of appointing Overseers and Waywardens for the ensuing Year, and to examine the accounts for the past Year, also for making a rate for the ensuing quarter, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: The Rev'd H.S. SAVERY in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William BEAK, Churchwardens, Mr James WEEKS, Mr William JAMES, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr James HALL, Mr William HARRISON, Charles DOLMAN Junior, Charles DOLMAN, Senior, Mr Thomas BATT, George BLINMAN, Isaac COWEN, John REES-MOGG.

A list of 13 Persons was produced, liable to serve as overseers; the following two persons was named to be **recommended** to the Magistrates for appointment, Mr James HALL & Thomas BATT.

The Overseers' accounts were examined and **allowed**.

Moved by Mr William BEAK, seconded by Mr James WEEKS, that the Churchwardens be empowered to appoint a Collector of the Church Rates and to pay £1 per rate for every rate collected.

The waywarden's accounts for High Littleton was examined and **passed**, shewing an expenditure of £59.17. 6¾, leaving a balance in hand of £3. 5. 7¼.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES of High Littleton be continued in the Office of Waywarden at the Salary of £6 per annum.

The waywarden's accounts for the Hamlet of Hallatrow was examined and **passed**, shewing an expenditure of £18.13. 5½, leaving a balance of £2. 2.10¼.

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Resolved that Mr John BLINMAN of Hallatrow be continued in the office of waywardens (*sic*) for the Hamlet of Hallatrow at a salary of £2. 0. 0 per annum.

The Assis't Overseer stated that he had to meet a union call of £150 on the 25th day of April next. **Resolved** that a rate of 12 pence in the Pound be made and forthwith collected to pay such call.

[*Sgd*] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, Charles DOLMAN, Tho's BATT, Isaac COWEN, William HARRISON.

[21st] April 1851.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens' Accounts*] were examined and **approved**, and it was **ordered** that the balance of £2.13. 3½ be carried to the ensuing year's account, but leaving a Bill due to Mr Charles LOVELL, Carpenter, of £6. 0. 0 unpaid.

Mr William BEAK was **named** as Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Mr John BLINMAN was **elected** Parish Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

[*Sgd*] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 21st April 1851.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is Hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 21st inst. at half past ten o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing Year, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: The Rev'd H.S. SAVERY in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, Mr William JAMES, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr John REES-MOGG.

The Churchwardens' accounts for the last year were examined and **allowed**.

The Rev'd H.S. SAVERY stated that he had received a communication from the Vicar, stating that he was desirous (*sic*) that Mr William BEAK should be elected as his Churchwarden. **Resolved** that Mr John BLINMAN and Mr William BEAK be elected Churchwardens for the ensuing year.

Mr William JAMES, the Waywarden, stated that he required a Rate at five pence in the Pound for the necessary repairs of the Highways. **Resolved** that a Rate to the amount of five pence in the Pound be made forthwith.

[*Sgd*] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK.

A question having arisen in respect of the Fees to the Sexton for digging Graves and tolling the Bell, **Resolved** Unanimously that the following shall be the Payments:

for a grave not exceeding 4 feet long - 4/6.

exceeding that length - 6/-.

with an extra charge of 1 shilling for every foot exceeding six feet in depth.

the above to include tolling the Bell.

[*Sgd*] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, Wm. BEAK, John BLINMAN, Church Wardens, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN, William JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 10th July 1851.

At a vestry held this day Pursuant to notice, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 10th inst. at seven o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of fixing a Poor Rate and for taking into consideration certain matters relating to the Highways and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry.

High Littleton, 5th July 1851."

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, Mr William JAMES, Mr William ROBBINS, Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr Isaac COWEN.

The Assistant overseer stated that he required a Poor Rate at 10d. in the pound to pay a union call of £150. **Moved** by Mr William JAMES, seconded by Mr Henry DOWLING, that a Rate at 10d. in the pound be forthwith made and collected.

The Waywarden Mr William JAMES stated that, in consequence of some dissatisfaction communicated to him by some of the Parish/*i*/oners, respecting the haulage of stone from the quarry for the repairs of the Highways, that he was desir(e)ous that the business should be brought before the notice of the vestry for their decis(s)ion.

Moved by Mr William ROBBINS, seconded by Mr Isaac COWEN, that in future the haulage of stone from the quarry for the repairs of the Highways shall be 1s./6[d.] per [*cubic*] yard to any distance within the Tithing.

[*Sgd*] Wm. BEAK, Chairman, Henry DOWLING, Isaac COWEN, Wm. ROBBINS, Wm. JAMES.

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High Littleton Vestry Room, 31st July 1851.

At a vestry meeting held this Day pursuant to notice, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 31st instant at Seven o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of making a Church Rate."

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr Charles DOLMON Junior, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

The Churchwarden stated that he wanted a Church Rate at 2½d. in the Pound. Proposed by Mr I. COWEN, seconded by Mr William JAMES, that a rate at 2½d. in the pound be forthwith made, **carried** unanimously.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting, Henry FERBRACHE, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26th Sep'r 1851.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr William ROBBINS, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, James HALL, Charles DOLMON, Thomas BATT.

The Assista't Overseer stated that he had Recieved (*sic*) a Call from the Board of Guardians for the payment of £170 on the 24th October and £170 on the 23rd day of January.

Moved and seconded and **carried** unanimously that a Rate at 12½[d.] in the Pound be forthwith made to meet such Call.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 1st Jan'y 1852.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr James WEEKS in the chair, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES.

The Assistant Overseer stated that he had to pay £170 union call on the 23rd instant. **Resolved** that a Rate of 12½ [d.] in the Pound be forthwith made to meet such call.

Mr William JAMES, the Surveyor of Highways, stated that he required a Rate for the Repairs of the Highways.

Resolved that a Rate of 2½d. in the Pound be forthwith made for Repairs of the Highways in the Tithing of High Littleton.

[Sgd] James WEEKS, Chairman, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton 20th February 1852.

Copy of the list of Persons liable to serve as Constables.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the above Parish in vestry held after due notice the 20th Day of February at the vestry Room, for the purpose of making out a list of all men residing within the said parish and qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish, to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset acting in and for the division of Chew and Chewton.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>When served</u>
William BEAK	High Littleton	Farmer	
Thomas BATT	Hallatrow	Farmer	
Charles DOLMON	do.	do.	
Charles DOLMON Jun'r	do.	do.	
Henry DOWLING	High Littleton	do.	1849, 1850 & 1851
Henry FERBRACHE	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk	
James HALL	High Littleton	Farmer	
Thomas HARRISON	Hallatrow	Butcher	1842 & 1851
William JAMES	High Littleton	Farmer	
Giles PEARCE	High Littleton	Coal haullier	
William ROBBINS	do.	Baker	1843 & 1851
James WEEKS	Hallatrow	Farmer	
Pascol WEEKS	High Littleton	Gardner	
James WALTER	do.	Coal Miner	
Francis WEEKS	Hallatrow	Farmer	
James HALL	High Littleton	Blacksmith	
James BLINMAN	Hallatrow	Yeoman	1851. Not having the qualification but willing to serve

Recommended to serve the Office of Constable for the ensuing year, William ROBBINS, Henry DOWLING of High Littleton and Thomas HARRISON and James BLINMAN of Hallatrow, the latter not having the qualification but willing to serve.

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[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Isaac COWEN, Wm. JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25th March 1852.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to notice, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that the annual vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in the above Parish on Thursday the 25th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the Purpose of examining the accounts of the Overseers for the past year, and nominating Overseers for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: Rev'd H.S. SAVERY in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William BEAKE, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr William JAMES, Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, Mr William ROBBINS, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Thomas BATT, John REES-MOGG, Mr James HALL, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Henry DOWLING.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year was examined and **approved**.

Ordered that the Overseers do make a rate at 12½ pence in the pound to meet a union call of £150 to be paid on the 23rd April.

A list of 12 Persons to hold the Office of Overseer was produced; **resolved** that the two first named, James HALL and Jonas WEEKS, be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment.

Resolved that Mr Isaac COWEN be appointed Assis't Overseer for the ensuing year. **Moved** by Mr John REES-MOGG, seconded by Mr William BEAK, that the Assis't Overseer's salary be raised from 12 to 14 Pounds per annum. **Ordered** that the Churchwardens be empowered to employ a person to collect the Church Rate for the sum of one Pound per year.

Mr John BLINMAN, waywarden of the Tithing of Hallatrow, produced his accounts; they were examined and **approved**, shewing a balance of £2.10. 2 in the Surveyor's hand.

Ordered that Mr John BLINMAN of Hallatrow be appointed surveyor of Highways for the Tithing of Hallatrow for the ensuing year at the salary of Two Pounds.

Mr William JAMES, Waywarden for High Littleton, produced his accounts; they were examined and **approved**, shewing a balance of £8. 5. 2½ in the Surveyor's hand.

Ordered that Mr William JAMES be appointed Surveyor of Highways for High Littleton for the ensuing year at a salary of 6 Pounds per annum.

Mr FEAR's account as Organist, amounting to £28. 5. 0, was laid before the vestry. The Chairman reported that he had collected by private contribution £11. 6. 0. **Resolved** that the Balance £16.19. 0 be Charged in the Church rates and be paid to Mr FEAR before Christmas next.

[Sgd] H.S. SAVORY, Chairman, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Henry DOWLING, Wm. JAMES, Isaac COWEN, John REES-MOGG, Thomas BATT, James HALL, Wm. ROBBINS, Chas. DOLMAN Sen'r.

High Littleton vestry Room, 12th April 1852.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in the above Parish on Monday the 12th inst. at Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of examining the Churchwardens' accounts for the past year and such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, Mr William BEAK, Churchwarden, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN.

The Churchwardens' accounts with the Vouchers for the several payments were produced, examined and **approved**, leaving a balance of £9. 5. 5½ in hand.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

[Minutes approving the Accounts also appear in another book, as under.]

1852 12 April.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined and **approved**, and it was **ordered** that the balance of £9. 5. 5½ be carried to the ensuing year's account.

Mr William BEAK was **named** as Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Mr John BLINMAN was **elected** Parish Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Henry Hodges MOGG, John REES-MOGG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton vestry Room, 8th July 1852.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

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"Notice is Hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 8th inst. at seven o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of making a poor Rate for the ensuing quarter and also a Highway Rate for the necessary Repairs of the Highways."

Present: Mr William JAMES in the Chair, Mr Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer.

Resolved that a Rate of 10 pence in the pound be forthwith made and collected to meet a union call for £150 to be paid to the Treasurer of the union on the 23rd inst.

Resolved that [a] Highway Rate at 5 pence in the Pound be forthwith made for the necessary repairs of the Highways of the Tithing of High Littleton.

[Sgd] William JAMES, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 8th October 1852.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of [the] Church in this Parish on Friday next the 8th inst. at six o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of making a Poor's Rate for the ensuing quarter, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, Mr J. WEEKS, Mr William JAMES, Mr John COX, Mr Isaac COWEN, Charles DOLMAN, Charles DOLMAN Jun'r, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr John DUDDEN.

The Assistant Overseer stated that he required a Rate at 15d. in the pound to meet a Union Call of £175 to be paid in on the 22nd inst. **Resolved** that a rate at 15 pence in the pound be forthwith made to pay such Call.

Mr William BEAK, the Churchwarden, stated that a Church rate at 3 pence in the pound was required for the necessary repairs of the Church. **Moved** by Mr I. COWEN, seconded by Mr John DUDDEN, that a rate at 3 pence in the pound be forthwith made and Collected.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, James WEEKS, William JAMES, John DUDDEN, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 6th January 1853.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in [the] vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday the 6th inst. at seven o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of making a Poor's Rate for the ensuing quarter and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr James WEEKS.

Mr Isaac COWEN, the Assis't Overseer, stated that he had to pay a Union Call of £175 on the 21st inst.

Ordered that a Rate at 12½d. in the pound be made to pay the said Call.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, James WEEKS, Wm. JAMES.

High Littleton, 10th February 1853.

List of Persons liable to serve as Constables.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish in vestry held after due notice the 10th day of February 1853 at the vestry Room, for the purpose of making out a list of all persons residing within the said Parish, qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish, to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset acting in and for the division of Chew & Chewton.

Name	Place of abode	Calling or Business	Date of Previous Service	
William BEAK	High Littleton	Yeoman		
Thomas BATT	Hallatrow	Yeoman		
Charles DOLMAN	Hallatrow	Yeoman		
Charles DOLMAN Jun'r	Hallatrow	Yeoman		
Henry DOWLING	High Littleton	Yeoman	49, 50, 51, 52	recommended by the vestry
Henry FERBRACHE	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk		
James HALL	High Littleton	Yeoman		
James HALL	High Littleton	Blacksmith		
Thomas HARRISON	Hallatrow	Butcher	42, 51, 52	recommended by the vestry
William JAMES	High Littleton	Yeoman		
Giles PEARCE	High Littleton	Coal haullier		recommended by the vestry
James WALTER	High Littleton	Collier		
Pascal WEEKS	High Littleton	Gardner		
Francis WEEKS	Hallatrow	Yeoman		recommended by the vestry
Francis FRIEND	Hallatrow	Blacksmith	willing to serve but have not the qualification	

Recommended to serve the Office of Constable for the ensuing year, Henry DOWLING and Giles PEARCE for High Littleton and Thomas HARRISON and Francis WEEKS for the Tithing of Hallatrow, [Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Chairman.

28th March 1853.

At a vestry meeting duly called the foregoing [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined and **approved**, and it was **ordered** that the balance of £12.15.11½ be carried to the next year's account.

Mr William BEAK was **named** as the Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Mr John BLINMAN was **elected** as the Parish Churchwarden.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, J. Ustick SCOBELL, I. COWEN.

[Minutes approving the Accounts also appear in another book, as under.]

High Littleton Vestry Room, 28th March 1853.

At the Annual vestry held this Day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that the annual vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 28th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Overseers, Waywardens and Churchwardens, for the past year, and to nominate the various Parish Officers for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry.

Dated this 19th Day of March 1853."

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG in the Chair, John Ustick[e] SCOBELL, John BLINMAN, William BEAK, James HALL, Henry DOWLING, John REES-MOGG, Charles DOLMAN Ju'r, Isaac COWEN, William JAMES, Francis WEEKS, James WEEKS.

The Churchwardens' accounts for the past year was examined and **approved**.

Resolved that a sitting under the reading Desk out of Pew 13 be appropriated to Mr G[ORE] LANGTON's Farm House at Hallatrow.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined and **approved**, and it was **Ordered** that the overseers be empowered to make a Rate at 1 shilling and one halfpenny in the pound (be) forthwith (made), to pay a union call of £175 on the 22nd of April next.

The accounts of Mr William JAMES, waywarden for the Parish of High Littleton, were examined and **approved**.

The accounts of Mr John BLINMAN, waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow, were examined and **approved**.

A List of 13 Persons was produced for overseers and it was **resolved** that Messrs Thomas HARRISON and John BUSH be recommend[ed] to the Magistrates for appointment.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed waywarden for the Parish of High Littleton at the yearly salary of £6, and Mr John BLINMAN for the Tithing of Hallatrow at a(t) salary of £2.

Resolved that Mr James WEEKS & Charles DOLMAN Junior be appointed Assessors of Assess. Taxes.

Resolved that Mr James WEEKS and Mr James HALL be appointed Collectors of Assessed Taxes.

Resolved that Mr John REES-MOGG be allowed to enclose so much of the wastrel belonging to the Parish and adjoining the direction post in the centre of the Village of High Littleton as is required by him, in order to inclose the same with a wall that shall not encroach on the highway.

Resolved that Mr John Ustick[e] SCOBELL be allowed to reerect the sign Post at Hallatrow in the centre of the three roads there, near the House now Occupied by Mr Thomas HARRISON and to protect the same by such inclosure as he shall think fit.

Resolved that the sum of six Pounds per annum be for the future allowed & Charged upon the Church Rate towards the salary of the Organist.

Resolved that the surveyor of Highways for High Littleton be allowed to make a Rate of 5d. in the pound for the necessary repairs of the Highway.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman, J. Ustick SCOBELL, I. COWEN, John REES-MOGG, Findlater CRANG, John BLINMAN, Wm. BEAK, Wm. JAMES, James WEEKS, Francis WEEKS, Thomas HARRISON, Henry DOWLING, James HALL, William HARRISON.

High Littleton vestry Room, 5th May 1853.

At a vestry held this evening pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is Hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 5th inst. at seven o'Clock in the evening for such business as may be brought before such vestry."

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Present: John BLINMAN, Churchwarden, in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr William JAMES, Mr John BUSH, Mr I. COWEN, Mr William BEAK, Mr Charles DOLMAN Senior, Mr James WEEKS, John DUDDEN. Mr Henry FERBRACHE, the Guardian of the Parish, stated to the vestry that he had ascertained that Betty BAKER, a Pauper, had been in receipt of Parish Relief from the 30th September 1848 to the 29th April 1853 from the Parish of High Littleton through error of the Board of Guardians, such Relief ought to have been Charged to the Common Fund.

Moved by Mr James WEEKS, Seconded by Mr William JAMES, that the Parish Guardian be requested to make application to the Board of Guardians to refund the amount paid to the said Betty BAKER during the said before mentioned period.

[Sgd] John BLINMAN, Chairman, Henry FERBRACHE, Wm. BEAK, Charles DOLMAN Sen'r, I. COWEN, John BUSH, Wm. JAMES, James WEEKS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 11th August 1853.

At a vestry meeting held this day, Pursuant to Notice,

Present: Mr James WEEKS in the Chair, Mr Findlater CRANG, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr William BEAK, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES, John REES-MOGG Esq're.

The Assistant Overseer produced to the vestry a Copy of the Depositions [of] Elizabeth ROSSITER, formerly BRIMBLE, who is now Chargeable to the Parish of Westbury upon Trym. **Moved** by John REES-MOGG, seconded by Mr William BEAK, that she be accepted as a Parish[i]oner of High Littleton Parish (without prejudice to any future proceedings).

[Sgd] James WEEKS, Chairman.

Vestry Room, High Littleton, October 10 1853.

At a vestry Meeting held as above for the purpose of taking into consideration the best means for the removal of nuisances and preservation of Public Health during the present Visitation of Cholera,

Present: Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr John REES-MOGG, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

It was **resolved** that a Parochial Committee, consisting of John Ustick[e] SCOBELL Esq're, Findlater CRANG, surgeon, James WEEKS, Henry FERBRACHE & John BLINMAN and the Rev'd H.H. MOGG, John REES-MOGG Esq're, Captain SCOBELL, William BEAK, William JAMES, James HALL, John DUDDEN & Isaac COWEN, be formed with power to add to their number, any three to be a quorum, and that they do visit and inspect and cause the removal of all nuisances (*sic*) within the Parish, and do as far as possible obtain the cleaning and whitewashing of all dwellings, and do in general Act in assistance to the Board of Guardians in carrying out the directions recently issued by the Board of Health; [and] That Mr COWEN be requested to inform the several parties above named of this Resolution and do request their Active co-op(p)eration.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG.

High Littleton vestry Room, 9 Dec'r 1853.

At a vestry held in the vestry Room pursuant to notice, for the purpose of Making a Church Rate,

Present: Mr William BEAK, in the Chair, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES, Tho's HARRISON, Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, Mr John MOORE.

The Churchwarden having stated to the vestry that he wanted a Rate for the necessary expences of the Church, it was **resolved** that a Rate be allowed. **Moved** by Mr James WEEKS, Seconded by Mr William JAMES, that a Rate at 1½d. in the pound be allowed for the said Church Rate.

Mr Henry FERBRACHE, the Parish Guardian, stated to the vestry that Sarah COBB, servant to Mrs [Sarah] GABY, had become chargeable to the Parish of High Littleton, she not being a Parish[i]oner and having only resided in the Parish a few days. **Resolved** unanimously that Mrs GABY be spoken to on the subject and be requested to make arrangements for her removal from the Parish.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 24th February 1854.

List of Persons liable to serve as Constables.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish in vestry held after due notice on the above date in the Vestry Room, for the purpose of making out a list of all Persons residing within the said Parish, qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish, to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset acting in and for the division of Chewton.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>
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William BEAK	High Littleton	Farmer	Churchwarden
Charles DOLMAN	Hallatrow	Farmer	
Charles DOLMAN Ju'r	Hallatrow	Farmer	
Henry DOWLING	High Littleton	Farmer	49, 50, 51, 52, 53
Henry FERBRACHE	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk	
James HALL	High Littleton	Farmer	
James HALL	High Littleton	Blacksmith	
Thomas HARRISON	Hallatrow	Butcher	42, 51, 52
William JAMES	High Littleton	Farmer	
Giles PEARCE	High Littleton	Coal haullier	53
James WALTER	High Littleton	Coal Miner	
Pascol WEEKS	High Littleton	Gardner	
Francis WEEKS	Hallatrow	Farmer	53
Francis FRIEND	Hallatrow	Blacksmith	53 - not having the qualification but willing to serve

Recommended to serve as Constables for the ensuing year Mr Henry DOWLING and Mr Giles PEARCE for High Littleton and Mr Francis FRIEND and Francis WEEKS for the Tithing of Hallatrow.
[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Ch.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 27th March 1854.

At the Annual Vestry held this Day pursuant to notice being given, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is Hereby Given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish, on Monday the 27th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating the Overseers and Waywardens for the ensuing year and for examining their accounts for the past year and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: Mr William BEAK in the Chair, William JAMES, Henry DOWLING, Thomas HARRISON, William HARRISON, Isaac COWEN, Francis WEEKS, Mr John BLINMAN, James HALL.

William JAMES, the Waywarden for High Littleton, produced his accounts for the past year; they were examined and **approved**.

John BLINMAN, Waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow, produced his accounts for the past year; they were examined and **approved**.

The Overseers' Accounts for the past year was produced and **approved**.

Ordered that Mr William JAMES and Mr John MOORE be recommended to the Magistrates for Overseers for the ensuing year.

Ordered that Mr William JAMES be appointed way warden for High Littleton at the yearly salary of six Pounds.

Ordered that Mr John BLINMAN be appointed Waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow at the yearly salary of Two Pounds.

Ordered that the Overseers do make a Poor's Rate at 15d. in the Pound to meet a union call of 180 Pounds to be paid on the 21st of April next.

Ordered that a vote of thanks be rendered to Mr Henry FERBRACHE, the Parish Guardian, for his zealous duties, and attention to the welfare of the Parish, during the past year.

[Sgd] Wm. BEAK, Chairman, John BLINMAN, William JAMES, James HALL, William HARRISON, Henry DOWLING.

17 April 1854.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined and **approved**, and it was **ordered** that the balance of 6.11. 3¾ be carried to the next year's account.

Mr William BEAK was **named** as the Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and John Usticke SCOBELL Esq're was **appointed** the Parish Churchwarden.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 27th April 1854.

At a Vestry held this Day Pursuant to Notice, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of this Church on Thursday next the 27th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon for such business as may be brought before such Vestry."

Present: The Rev'd H.H. MOGG, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr John BLINMAN, Mr William BEAK, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mrs Mary JAMES.

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Mr Henry FERBRACHE having applied to the Vestry held on the 17th April instant to have the Pew in the Body of the Church, No. 5, which was formerly allotted to the House belonging to Mrs Mary JAMES, lately in his Occupation, placed to the House which he now Occupies, called Tennis Court, the property of John Ustick SCOBELL Esq're, it was this day brought before the Vestry, when it was **Resolved** [that] The said Pew No. 5 be transfer[r]ed to Mr John Ustick[e] SCOBELL's House called Tennis Court, now in the Occupation of Mr Henry FERBRACHE, and the Pew No. 5 in the Gallery shall be appropriated to the House belonging to Mrs Mary JAMES, now in the Occupation of Mr Thomas BATT. The foregoing alterations was the unanimous wish of the Vestry, but that it shall not be considered as a precedent for future alterations respecting the Pews; to complete this arrangement it was omitted to transfer two sittings from No. 5 Pew in the Gallery to No. 6 Pew in the Gallery to the Farm Houses belonging to John Ustick SCOBELL Esq're, now in the Occupation of Charles DOLMAN Junior and Francis WEEKS, the former called John Ustick SCOBELL's Farm and the latter called Hallatrow Down Farm.

[Sgd] H.H. MOGG, John BLINMAN, William BEAK, Mary JAMES, Thomas HARRISON, James WEEKS, Charles DOLMAN sen'r his Mark X, Thomas BATT, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton, 15th February 1855.

List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish in Vestry held after due notice on the above date in the Vestry Room, for the Purpose of making out a list of all persons residing within the said Parish, qualified and liable to serve as Constables for such Parish, to be returned to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Somerset acting in and for the division of Chewton.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>	
BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	Farmer		
DOLMAN Charles (<i>deleted</i>)	Hallatrow	Farmer	Age 63	
DOLMAN Charles J'r	Hallatrow	Farmer		
DOWLING Henry	High Littleton	Farmer	49 to 54	recommended
FERBRACHE Henry	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk		
HALL James (<i>deleted</i>)	High Littleton	Farmer		
HALL James (<i>deleted</i>)	Mearns	Blacksmith		
HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher	42, 51, 52	
JAMES William (<i>deleted</i>)	High Littleton	Farmer	Overseer	
MOORE John (<i>deleted</i>)	Hallatrow	Farmer	do.	
PEARCE Giles	High Littleton	Coal Haullier	53, 54	recommended
WEEKS James	Hallatrow	Farmer	Age 56	
WEEKS Francis	Hallatrow	Farmer	53, 54	recommended
FRIEND Francis	Hallatrow	Blacksmith	53, 54 - willing to serve though not Rated.	recommended

WALTER James (*deleted*) High Littleton Coal Miner

Recommended by the Vestry to serve as Constables for the ensuing year, Henry DOWLING and Giles PEARCE for High Littleton, and Francis FRIEND & Francis WEEKS for Hallatrow.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman.

1855 March 27th.

At the annual Vestry duly holden pursuant to notice,

Present: John REES-MOGG in the Chair, Mr John BUSH, John Ustick[e] SCOBELL, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr John DUDDEN, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr John MOORE, Mr Henry DOWLING, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Findlater CRANG, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr George BANFIELD, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Jas. HALL.

The Overseers' Accounts for the year ending 25th March 1855 were Examined by the vestry and **approved**.

A list of 10 names was laid before the Vestry for the purpose of nominating Overseers for the ensuing year. **Resolved** that Mr Charles DOLMAN Senior and Mr James HALL of Rugborn Farm be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment.

The Waywarden's account for the Tithing of Hallatrow was laid before the Vestry; the same was examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr George BLINMAN be appointed Waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow at the yearly salary of 2 Pounds.

The Waywarden's accounts for High Littleton were laid before the Vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

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Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed Waywarden for High Littleton at the yearly salary of six Pounds.

Resolved that the Surveyor of the Highways of the Tithing of High Littleton be directed to apply to the ow(e)ners of the Greyfield Colliery for some assistance towards repairing the roads used by them in conveying their Coals on narrow truck wheels to the Canal.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman, J. Usticke SCOBELL, Churchwarden, Thomas HARRISON, James HALL, Henry FERBRACHE, George BLINMAN, Henry DOWLING, George BANFIELD, John DUDDEN, Charles DOMAN Se'r, Charles DOMAN *[same signature]*, Francis WEEKS, Tho's BATT, John MOORE, Findlater CRANG, John BUSH, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

1855 April 12.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing *[Churchwardens']* Accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Mr Usticke SCOBELL was **appointed** the Parish Churchwarden.

[Sgd] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman.

[The appointments were minuted again in another book as under.]

1855 April 12.

At the yearly Easter Vestry held pursuant to notice for the purpose of passing the Churchwardens' Accounts, and of appointing Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Resolved that this Vestry Meeting do consider that this is a proper day for holding the Churchwardens' Meeting.

Resolved that this Meeting do desire to express their deep regret at the decease of their late respected Churchwarden Mr William BEAK.

Mr Usticke SCOBELL, the sole Churchwarden, presented the Accounts for the past year, showing a balance of £0.13. 1¾; the same were examined and unanimously **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year, and Mr Usticke SCOBELL was **appointed** the Parish Churchwarden.

[Sgd] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, Findlater CRANG, John REES-MOGG, George BLINMAN, Henry BLINMAN, James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, Charles DOLMAN Senerey (*sic*), John MOORE, John DUDDEN, William JAMES, Henry DOWLING, Henry FERBRACHE, John BUSH, George BLINMAN, Isaac COWEN, Charles DOMAN, James WEEKS, Francis WEEKS, Tho's BATT.

1855 June 14.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called for the purpose of making a Poor's Rate to pay a Union Call of £236 for the ensuing quarter, for investigation of the requisite repairs of the Church, the making a Church rate, the making a Highway Rate, and such other matters as may be brought before such Vestry.

Proposed by Mr DUDDEN, seconded by Mr William JAMES, that (that) a rate of one shilling and five pence half penny in the pound be made for the relief of the poor for the ensuing quarter. **Carried** unanimously.

The Churchwarden laid before the Vestry a Letter from the Rev'd E.A. OMMANNEY, as Rural Dean, requiring certain repairs to be made to the Church, and stated that a Rate of two pence in the pound would be necessary for the purpose.

Moved by Mr COWEN, seconded by Mr REES-MOGG, that a rate of two pence in the pound be made for the sustentation of the Church.

Moved by Mr FERBRACHE, seconded by Mr Francis WEEKS, that the consideration of the Church Rate be postponed to this day twelvemonth.

On a shew of hands the amendment was **carried** by twelve to two.

Moved by Mr FERBRACHE, seconded by Mr DUDDEN, that Mr John Usticke SCOBELL do hold all the Parish Books and Documents now in his possession. **Carried** with one Dissentient.

Mr REES-MOGG, as Churchwarden, desired to record his Protest against the above last Resolution so far as relates to Documents in the official custody of the Parish Officers.

Moved by Mr COWEN, seconded by Mr HALL, that a Rate of five pence in the pound be made for the repairs of the Highways of the Tithing of High Littleton. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman, James WEEKS, Henry FERBRACHE, Charles DOMAN Se'r, Charles DOMAN *[same signature]*, Isaac COWEN, George BLINMAN, John MOORE, Tho's BATT, John BROOKS his Mark X, Francis WEEKS, John DUDDEN, James HALL, James HALL, William JAMES, Jonas WEEKS, Samuel BANFIELD, J. Usticke SCOBELL, John REES-MOGG, Churchwarden.

High Littleton vestry Room, 2nd August 1855.

At a vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to notice; the following is a copy thereof:

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"Notice is Hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 2nd August at seven o'Clock in the evening for the purpose of taking into consideration some particular Parish business."

Present: the Rev'd Edward GILLSON in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr John MOORE, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr John DUDDEN, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Charles DOLMAN Jun'r, Mr Rich'd ELMS, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved unanimously (*sic*) that the Parish Officers do take the necessary steps for their removal of Richard CLUETT and his wife to their legal settlement.

Richard ELMS applied to the vestry to Reduce the weekly Payment, Ordered by the Magistrates on 6 December 1853, from two to one shilling Pr. Week towards the support of his Father [*Samuel*]; **Resolved** that an application be made to the Justices by the Parish Officers for their consideration of the Matter.

[*Sgd*] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 26th October 1855.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice; the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Friday the 26th inst. at seven o'Clock in the evening for the purpose of taking into consideration some special Parish business."

The Assistant Overseer brought the case of Richard CLUETT, having deserted his wife and that she was at the present time chargeable to the parish and in receipt of 4 shillings per week, before the notice of the vestry.

Proposed and seconded that the Ass't Overseer do procure a warrant for his apprehension.

[*Sgd*] Henry FERBRACHE, Chairman.

High Littleton, 21st February 1856.

List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>
BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	Farmer	
BLINMAN George	do.	do.	
DOMAN Charles	do.	do.	
DOWLING Henry	High Littleton	do.	49 to 56
FERBRACHE Henry	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk	
HALL James (<i>deleted</i>)	High Littleton	Farmer	not liable
HARRISON Thomas	Hallatrow	Butcher	42, 51, 52
JAMES William	High Littleton	Farmer	
MOORE John	Hallatrow	do.	
PEARCE Giles	High Littleton	Coal haulier	53 to 56
WEEKS Francis	Hallatrow	Farmer	53 to 56
WEEKS James (<i>deleted</i>)	do.	do.	not liable
WEEKS Pascol	High Littleton	Gardner	
FRIEND Francis	Hallatrow	Blacksmith	willing to serve but not Rated

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish after due notice on the above date in the vestry Room,

Present: Mr William JAMES in the Chair, Mr Charles DOLMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

It was **Resolved** that Mr Henry DOWLING & Giles PEARCE for High Littleton and Mr Francis WEEKS and Francis FRIEND for Hallatrow be recommended to the Magistrates for Constables for the ensuing year.

Resolved that a Rate at 2½d. in the pound for the necessary repairs of the Highways be made and collected forthwith for the Tithing of High Littleton.

[*Sgd*] William JAMES, Chairman, Charles DOMAN, Isaac COWEN.

1856 March 24.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called Mr Usticke SCOBELL, retiring from the office of Churchwarden, paid over the sum of two shillings and one penny half penny, being the balance in his hand in respect of the Account for 1855.

No Churchwardens' Accounts were produced for the past year, No Church Rate having been made.

Mr REES-MOGG was **nominated** by the Vicar, and Mr Henry FERBRACHE by the Vestry, Churchwardens for the ensuing year.

[*Sgd*] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman.

[*The appointments were minuted again in another book as under.*]

Parish of High Littleton, 24th March 1856.

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At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev'd E. GILLSON in the Chair, Captain SCOBELL, J. REES-MOGG, Henry FERBRACHE, Thomas HARRISON, George BLINMAN, Charles DOMAN, William JAMES, Thomas BATT, George BLINMAN, Isaac COWEN, J.U. SCOBELL, Francis WEEKS, George MULLETT, James WEEKS, John MOORE.

The Overseers' Accounts were laid before the vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

The Waywarden's Accounts for High Littleton were laid before the vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

The Waywarden's Accounts for Hallatrow were Laid before the Vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

Moved & seconded that Mr Henry FERBRACHE be elected the Parish Churchwarden and that John REES-MOGG do remain the Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Moved and seconded that Mr William JAMES and Mr Charles DOMAN be recommended to the Magistrates as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Moved and seconded that Mr William JAMES be elected Waywarden for the Tithing of High Littleton and Mr Thomas HARRISON for the Tithing of Hallatrow, the salary of Mr Wm. JAMES to be six pounds for the year and the salary of Mr Thomas HARRISON [*to*] be two Pounds for the year.

Resolved that a Poor's Rate at 12½d. in the Pound be made to meet a Union Call of £170 to [*be*] paid in on the 18th day of April next.

The Bill of Charges of the Inspector of Lodging Houses for the past two half years amounting to £1. 6. 3 and £1.12. 6 = £2.18. 9, It appearing that the only Lodging house in High Littleton was the Beer House Occupied by [*Rd.*] ELMS, who is under an Order for Payment of two shillings a week towards the Maintenance of his Father, which by consent of the Justices had been reduced to one shilling per week, It was **resolved** that, unless he gives up his Lodging House, application be made to the Magistrates to restore the order to the Original Amount.

[*Sgd*] Edw'd GILLSON, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, J. Usticke SCOBELL, Charles DOMAN S'er, Charles DOMAN, Henry FERBRACHE, George BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Thomas HARRISON, John REES-MOGG, Thos. BATT, George Sage MULLETT, George BLINMAN, William JAMES, Isaac COWEN.

At a Meeting in Vestry holden in the Church at High Littleton 30th May 1856,

Present: Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer, William JAMES, Overseer, Charles DOMAN J'r, Guardian.

An Order of Removal having been received from the Churchwardens & Overseers of Merthyr Tydfil as to Mary SMITH, Wife of Joseph SMITH, who has deserted her and gone to America, & her two legitimate Children and her illegitimet (*sic*) Child, **Proposed** & Seconded that Copies of the Depositions be applied for.

An application having been made by the Overseer of the Parish of Paulton for this Parish to take the Wife of James SIMMONS and her 4 Children (her Husband having deserted them), It was **proposed** & seconded that the Vestry will take the matter into consideration this day six Months. [*pencil note* - Paulton to remove, if they can prove settlement].

It was **proposed** by Mr Wm. JAMES, seconded by Mr James WEEKS, that Mr COWEN make enquir[*i*]es in the place of Sett't of Sarah DODSON & that his expences be pd. in so doing.

[*Sgd*] Henry FERBRACHE, Isaac COWEN, William JAMES, Charles DOMAN, James WEEKS.

1856 July 3.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of legal notice,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr COWEN, Mr HALL, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr HARRISON, Mr WEEKS.

Mr COWEN, Assistant Overseer, reported that, in pursuance of the direction of the Vestry, he had proceeded to Kendal, and had seen Susannah DODGSON, the Mother of the late Thomas H. DODGSON, whose Widow is now Chargeable to this Parish, and that, from her information, it appeared that he was, at the time of his death, legally settled in Kendal.

It was **resolved** that the Assistant Overseer do lay a statement of the facts before the Board of Guardians of this Union & do request them to direct the cost of maintenance to be transferred to the Common Fund and, if they shall refuse to do so, that he do proceed in the regular course to obtain an adjudication by the Magistrates of such Settlement.

[*Sgd*] John REES-MOGG, Henry FERBRACHE, William JAMES, James HALL, Thomas HARRISON, James WEEKS, Isaac COWEN.

1856 October 11th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly holden in pursuance of legal notice,

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE in the Chair, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr William JAMES, Mr James HALL, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Charles DOLMAN Junior, Mr James WEEKS.

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The Assistant Overseer informed the Vestry that, in compliance with instructions received from a former Vestry, he attended the Board of Guardians and had given them all the information in his power relative to the Parish of Sarah DODGSON and her 4 Children, but they, not considering his evidence (*sic*) sufficient, had declined to place her on the common fund.

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN, the Parish Guardian, do attend on Friday the 10th [*? 17th intended*] inst. to ascertain from the Board what evidence they require to be produced relative to the settlement of the Widow and Children of the late Thomas Harrison DODGSON, as the Magistrates have signified their objection to take any further examinations as to the settlement.

Francis FRIEND, the Constable of Hallatrow, having left the Parish, and it having been stated that a Constable ought to be appointed in his stead, **Resolved** that Mr Thomas HARRISON, Butcher of Hallatrow, be requested to accept the office until the next annual appointment of Constables.

[*Sgd*] Henry FERBRACHE, James WEEKS.

High Littleton vestry Room, 8th January 1857.

At a vestry meeting held after due notice, the following hereof is a Copy:

"High Littleton Jan'y 3rd 1857.

Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Parish on Thursday next the 8th instant at eleven in the forenoon for the purpose of making a Church Rate.

John REES-MOGG, Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwardens."

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Captain SCOBELL R.N., M.P., J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr W. JAMES, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr I. COWEN, Mr Geo. MULLETT.

The Churchwardens applied for a Church Rate and laid an estimate before the Vestry requesting a(t) Rate at three half pence in the Pound.

Moved by Captain SCOBELL, Seconded by Mr William JAMES, that a Rate at 1½d. in the Pound be forthwith made and collected. **Carried** unanimously.

[*Sgd*] George T. HYATT, Vicar, Chairman, Isaac COWEN, George Sage MULLETT, William JAMES, G.T. SCOBELL, Henry FERBRACHE, J. REES-MOGG, Churchw'dns.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 12th February 1857.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish held on the above date after due notice, for the purpose of making out a list of Persons liable and qualified to serve as Constables, Namely:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>
BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	Farmer	
DOLMAN Charles	do.	do.	
DOWLING Henry	do.	do.	49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56
FERBRACHE Henry	do.	Attorney's Clerk	
HARRISON Thomas	do.	Butcher	42, 51, 52, 56
JAMES William	High Littleton	Farmer	
PEARCE Giles	do.	Coal haulier	53, 54, 55, 56
WEEKS Francis	Hallatrow	Farmer	53, 54, 55, 56

Present: Mr I. COWEN in the Chair, Mr William JAMES.

The foregoing list having been examined, it was **resolved** that Mr Giles PEARCE for High Littleton, and Mr Thomas HARRISON for Hallatrow, be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment of Constables for the ensuing year.

Mr William JAMES, the waywarden, stated that he required a Rate [*of*] 2½d. in the Pound for the necessary repairs of the Highways. **Resolved** that a Rate at 2½d. in the pound be made.

[*Sgd*] I. COWEN, W. JAMES.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26th March 1857.

At the Annual Vestry held this day Pursuant to notice, the following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry will be held in the Vestry Room on Thursday next the 26th inst. at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon to examine the Overseers' and Waywardens' Accounts and for nominating Overseers and Waywardens for the ensuing year and such other business as may be brought before such Vestry."

Present: the Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Thomas BATT, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr W. JAMES, Mr J. HALL, Mr J. SPERRING, Mr J. REES-MOGG, Mr C. DOMAN Jun'r, Mr Tho's HARRISON, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr James WEEKS.

The Overseers' accounts were laid before the vestry, examined and **approved**.

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Moved and Seconded that Mr Owen ADAMS and Mr Thomas HARRISON be **recommended** to the Magistrates for Overseers of the Parish for the ensuing Year.

The Waywardens' Accounts were laid before the vestry, examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed waywarden for High Littleton for the ensuing year and Mr Thomas HARRISON for the Tithing of Hallatrow.

Resolved that Mr John SPERRING be elected as the Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be allowed the sum of Six Pounds and Mr Thomas HARRISON the sum of Two Pounds for the duties of Waywardens for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr James WEEKS and Mr Thomas BATT be appointed Collectors of Assessed Taxes for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, John REES-MOGG, Henry FERBRACHE, John SPERRING, Geo. BLINMAN, James WEEKS, William JAMES, Charles DOMAN, Francis WEEKS, Tho's BATT, Isaac COWEN, Thomas HARRISON, James HALL.

1857 April 23rd.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined & **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year & Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Parish.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Vicar.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 3rd July 1857.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE in the Chair, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Charles DOMAN.

Mr William JAMES, the Waywarden, informed the Vestry that a Rate at five pence in the Pound was required for the necessary repairs of the Highways. **Resolved** that such Rate be deferred for the consideration of a future Vestry.

This Vestry adjourned to this day fortnight.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE.

Parish of High Littleton, Vestry Room, 17th Sep'r 1857.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish held this day pursuant to notice, the following is a Copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish for the purpose of Figuring a poor's Rate and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry on Thursday the 17th instant at seven o'Clock in the evening."

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE in the Chair, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr William JAMES, Mr George MULLETT, Mr Isaac COWEN, J. REES-MOGG Esq., The Rev'd G.T. HYATT.

Mr COWEN, the Ass't Overseer, stated to the vestry that he had received a Union Call for [£]496 for the ensuing half year and that a Rate at 20 pence in the pound would be required to meet the first call, which was to be paid in on the 23rd day of October next. **Resolved** that a Rate of 20 pence in the Pound be made to meet such call.

Resolved that in the month of December a Vestry be called for the purpose of Figuring a Church Rate to carry into effect the repairs etc. recommended by the Rev'd E.A. OMMANNEY, the Ru/r/al Dean, at his annual Inspection of the Church.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, I. COWEN, Charles DOMAN, George Sage MULLETT, George BLINMAN, William JAMES, George T. HYATT, John REES-MOGG, Churchwarden.

High Littleton vestry Room, 26th Nov'r 1857.

At a vestry meeting held on the above date pursuant [*to*] notice,

Present: Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr I. COWEN.

Notice of an Order of Removal of Elizabeth CHIVERS from Saint Marylebone, Middlesex, was read. **Ordered** that the Parish Officers do give notice of Appeal, and get up the grounds of the same.

The List of Paupers for the half year ending Michaelmas was examined.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 24th December 1857.

A Vestry being held this day pursuant to due notice, the following is a Copy thereof:

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"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 24th inst. at seven o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Figuring a Church Rate, and taking into consideration notice of appeal against the accepting a Pauper from the Parish of Saint Marylebone to High Littleton and such other matters as may be brought before such Vestry."

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, in the Chair, Mr John SPERRING, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Thomas MEL/H/UIISH, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Charles DOMAN Junior.

An Order of Removal of Elizabeth CHIVERS from the Parish of Saint Marylebone having been produced, **Resolved** that such order be appealed against, And that Mr J. REES-MOGG be requested to conduct the appeal. **Ordered** that this Vestry do adjourn till Monday the 11th January 1858 at Seven o'Clock in the evening for the purpose of considering the proposed Church Rate and other Matters that may be brought before the Vestry. [Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden.

High Littleton Vestry Room, January 11 1858.

At the adjourned Vestry Meeting held at the above time & place in pursuance of the resolution of the 24th of December last,

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr WEEKS, Mr SPERRING, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr BLINMAN.

Moved and Seconded and **carried** unanimously that a rate of two pence in the pound be made for the reparation and sustentation of the Church, and the general lawful purposes of a Church rate.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, John REES-MOGG, G.T. SCOBELL, Henry FERBRACHE, John SPERRING, Geo. BLINMAN, James WEEKS, Francis WEEKS.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 12th February 1858.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the above Parish held on the above date after due notice, for the purpose of making out a List of Persons qualified and liable to serve *[as]* Constables for the said Parish for the ensuing year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>when last served</u>
BATT Thomas	Hallatrow	Farmer	
BUSH John	High Littleton	Shopkeeper	
DOMAN Charles	Hallatrow	Farmer	
DOWLING Henry	do.	do.	1856
DUDDEN John	High Littleton	do.	
FERBRACHE Henry	Hallatrow	Attorney's Clerk	
HARRISON Thomas	do.	Butcher	1857
MELUISH Thomas	High Littleton	Attorney's Clerk	
PEARCE Giles	do.	Haulier	1857
WEEKS Francis	Hallatrow	Farmer	1856
WEEKS James	do.	do.	
WEEKS Pascol	High Littleton	Gardner	

Resolved that Mr Giles PEARCE of High Littleton and Mr Thomas HARRISON of Hallatrow be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment of Constables.

[Sgd] Wm. JAMES, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 29th March 1858.

At the Annual Vestry *[held]* this day pursuant to notice duly given,

Present: Rev'd G.T. HYATT - In the Chair, Capt'n SCOBELL R.N., William JAMES, Thomas MELHUISH, Isaac COWEN, Thomas HARRISON, George BLINMAN, Chas. DOLMAN J'r, Mr Jno. SPERRING, James WEEKS, Francis WEEKS.

The Overseers' Accounts were laid before the vestry, examined & **approved**.

Moved and seconded that Mr John DUDDEN and Mr George BLINMAN be Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that the Appeal against the Removal of Elizabeth CHIVERS from the Parish of St. Marylebone be continued until its final issue.

The Waywardens' Accounts were laid before the Vestry, examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed Waywarden for High Littleton for the ensuing year, and Mr George BLINMAN for Hallatrow, with the same Salaries as previously.

Mr REES-MOGG was unanimously **approved** of as Guardian for the Parish for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

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April(1) 5th 1858.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined & **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Parish.

[*Sgd*] George T. HYATT, Vicar.

At a Vestry held pursuant to notice, it was **proposed** by Mr COWEN & seconded by Mr MELHUISH that an open drain be made round the Church to a level with the floor within, & that notices be sent to those persons whose graves would be interfered with in making the same, and that the necessary repairs of the Church be immediately proceeded with.

April 22nd 1858. [*Sgd*] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 17th September 1858.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to due notice being given, for the purpose of Figuring (*sic*) a Highway Rate for the Tithing of High Littleton,

Present: Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES.

The Waywarden stated that he required a Rate at five pence in the Pound for the necessary repairs of the Highways. It was **resolved** that a Hig[h]way Rate [*at*] five pence in the pound be forthwith made.

[*Sgd*] Isaac COWEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 2nd December 1858.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to the following notice:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be holden in the Vestry Room of the Church at High Littleton on Thursday the 2nd December next at 7 o'Clock in the Evening, for determining the mode to be adopted for warming the Church and certain repairs and additions necessary to be made and as to payment of the expences thereof, also relating to several matters of Relief Granted to Paupers."

Present: Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, Mr John SPERRING, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr J. REES-MOGG, Churchwarden, Mr Thomas MEL[H]UISH.

The Churchwardens are **authorized** to employ Mr EVANS to examine the Stove in the Church and give his opinion as to whether there is any probability of repairing it and the probable cost thereof and lay his report before another vestry.

Ordered that a trench be dug outside the South and North walls of the Church, to ascertain whether the same can be drained without injury to the Graves.

Ordered that this meeting be Adjourned to Thursday the 16th instant at 7 o'Clock in the evening.

[*Sgd*] G.T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 16th Dec'r 1858.

At a Vestry held this day pursuant to adjournment,

Present: Rev'd G.T. HYATT, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr J. SPERRING, Mr T. MELHUISH, Mr I. COWEN, Mr J. WEEKS.

Mr EVANS' Estimate not having been laid before the Vestry, it was unanimously **resolved** that this Vestry be Adjourned until Monday next the 20th instant, 7 o'Clock in the evening.

[*Sgd*] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 20th Dec'r 1858.

At a Vestry held this day pursuant to Adjournment,

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr J. SPERRING, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr J. WEEKS, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN.

Mr EVANS' Tender, for the Complete repair of the Stove amounted to £10.10. 0, including Ventilators and a plate in the Wall, was read. It was proposed by Mr James WEEKS, Seconded by Mr George BLINMAN and **carried**, that the same be accepted.

Resolved that the Churchwardens be authorized to complete the Draining round the Church and to provide means for drying the Church Yard.

[*Sgd*] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in [*a*] Vestry called for that purpose on the 11th day of Feb/ruar/y 1859.

Calling or [*Date of*] Previous

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of abode</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Service</u>	
Thomas BATT	Hallatrow	Farmer		
Charles DOMAN	do.	do.		
Henry DOWLING	do.	do.		
Henry FERBRACHE	do.	Attorney's Clerk		
James HALL	High Littleton	Farmer		
Thomas HARRISON	Hallatrow	Butcher	57, 58	Recommended
William JAMES	High Littleton	Farmer		
Thomas MELHUISH	do.	Attorney's Clerk		
Giles PEARCE	do.	Haulier	56, 57, 58	Recommended
John SPERRING	do.	Farmer		
James WEEKS	Hallatrow	do.		
Francis WEEKS	do.	do.		

Resolved that Mr Thomas HARRISON and Mr Giles PEARCE be recommend[ed to the Magistrates] to serve as Constables for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] I. COWEN, Chairman.

Pinned to the Book was the Original List, which differs from the version in the Book in a few minor respects. Words omitted in the Book are shown above in square brackets. On the back of the Original List appears:

Paid by I. COWEN for use of Church

Mrs LOVE Lime	2. 0
Wm. COLLINS work at Yard	7. 6
Gabriel CHIVERS do.	12. 6
Do. Do. Organ	2. 0
TUCKER Coals	3. 9
Do. Do.	3. 9
Do. Do.	3. 9
J. EMERY Coke	3. 9
TUCKER Coal	3. 9
George EMMER [?EMERY] Mason	5. 0
Wm. COLLINS Carpenter	10. 0
Clerk's Salary	<u>4. 0. 0</u>
	<u>6.17. 9</u>

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 28th 1859.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to due notice,

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr John REES-MOGG, Mr Jno. SPERRING.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined, found correct and **allowed**.

Resolved that Mr George BLINMAN of High Littleton and Mr Thomas BATT of Hallatrow be recommended to the Magistrates for appointment of Overseers for the year ensuing.

The Waywardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **allowed**.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES and Mr George BLINMAN be appointed Waywardens for the year ensuing, the former for High Littleton and the latter for the Tithing of Hallatrow, at the following salaries: Mr William JAMES Six Pounds and Mr George BLINMAN Two Pounds per annum.

Mr John SPERRING was unanimously **approved** of as Guardian of the Parish for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

April 25 1859.

At a vestry meeting duly called the foregoing [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined and **approved**, & it appeared that there was a Balance of 3/7d. in the hands of the Church-wardens.

John REES-MOGG Esq're was **appointed** Vicar's Church warden and Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Church warden by the Parish.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

[7th July 1859.]

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice, The following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry will be holden in the Vestry Room of the Church of this Parish the 7th day of July next at 7 o'Clock in the evening, for the purpose of figuring a Church Rate for the Parish

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of High Littleton. Also for inspecting the List of Pauper Poor of the Parish, and as to the large surplus held by the Treasurer of the Clutton Union of Monies belonging to this Parish, more than is held by him in proportion of other Parishes in the Union, and other business."

Mr H. FERBRACHE, the Churchwarden, applied to the vestry for a Rate at 1½d. in the Pound for the necessary expences of the Church. **Resolved** that such Rate be allowed, and that such Rate be forthwith made and Collected.

[Sgd] G.T. HYATT, Vicar.

High Littleton, 16th Sep'r 1859.

At a Vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice, The following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be holden at the Vestry Room of this Church on Friday evening next at 7 o'Clock, for the purpose of considering the necessity of appealing against a certain Order of Removal, and as to the Removal of a Pauper named CLUETT, and other Parochial matters.

Dated 10th day of September 1859."

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr SPERRING, Mr JAMES, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr MELHUIISH, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Moved by Mr MELHUIISH, seconded by Mr JAMES, that the Guardian (Mr SPERRING) be requested to apply to have the charges of the Wife of Rich'd CLUETT transferred from the Parish of High Littleton to the Common Fund of the Union & if the Board of Guardians object to such transfer that then the overseer be requested to take proceedings against the sd. Rich'd CLUETT for not maintaining his Wife.

The matter of the appeal of SALMON's Children was brought before the Vestry & adjourned for further consideration.

A Poor Rate of 1s/0½d was consented [to] for the 2 next Quarters.

The Assistant Overseer having produced 2 calls from the Board of Guardians for £169, as contributions to the Union Fund, and great dissatisfaction being expressed at the amount being excessive, looking at the calls in the Union generally being of lesser sums for other Parishes, It was **resolved** that the Guardian be requested to enquire of the Board and report to the next Vestry the nature & manner of the taking of the averages and as to the correctness of the same with reference to this Parish.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, John SPERRING, Guardian, James WEEKS, William JAMES, Geo. BLINMAN, Thom. MELHUIISH, Isaac COWEN.

The List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made on the 17th day of February 1860, pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>	
John BUSH	High Littleton	Horse Breaker		
Lewis COLE(S)	do.	Farmer		
Charles DOMAN	Hallatrow	Farmer		
Henry DOWLING	do.	Farmer		
Henry FERBRACHE	do.	Attorney's Clerk		
Thomas HARRISON	do.	Butcher	57, 58, 59	Recommended
William JAMES	High Littleton	Farmer		
Thomas MELHUIISH	do.	Attorney's Clerk		
Giles PEARCE	do.	Haulier	56, 57, 58, 59	Recommended
Francis WEEKS	Hallatrow	Farmer		

Resolved that Mr Thomas HARRISON and Mr Giles PEARCE be recommended to serve as Constables for the ensuing year.

Parish of High Littleton, 26th March 1860.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to due notice,

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE in the Chair, Mr Thomas MELHUIISH, Mr William JAMES, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr W.G. WHITE, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Thomas BATT.

The Overseers' Accounts for the past year were laid before the Vestry, examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr John DUDDEN and Mr Thomas HARRISON be recommended to the Magistrates as Overseers for the ensuing year.

The waywardens' Accounts for the past year were laid before the Vestry, examined and **approved**.

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Resolved that Mr William JAMES be appointed Waywarden for High Littleton and Mr George BLINMAN be appointed waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow, the former at a salary of £6 and the latter at a salary of £2 per annum.

Resolved unanimously that Mr Lewis COLE be approved of as Parish Guardian.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, Chairman.

April 10 1860.

At a vestry meeting duly called the foregoing [Churchwardens'] Accounts were examined & **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Vicar's Church warden for the ensuing year & Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Church Warden by the Parish.

[Sgd] G. T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 23rd April 1860.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to the following notice:

"Notice - A vestry meeting will be held in the vestry Room of this Parish, on Monday the 23rd April inst. at 7 o'Clock in the Evening, for the purpose of figuring a Church Rate for the necessary repairs of the Church and other expences."

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr G. MULLETT, Mr I. COWEN.

J. REES-MOGG Esq're, Churchwarden, having ascertained that the probable expenses for the Ensuing year would be about £30, it was proposed & **carried** that a rate of Three pence in the Pound be made to meet those expenses.

[Sgd] G.T. HYATT, Vicar, [blank], Church Warden.

High Littleton vestry Room, 31st August 1860.

At a vestry meeting held this Day pursuant to due notice, The following is a copy thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry will be held in the vestry Room on Friday the 31st instant at 7 o'Clock in the evening, to take into consideration what repairs is necessary for the Church and such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr L. COLE(S), Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr T. MELHUISE, Mr G. MULLETT, Mr F. WEEKS, Mr I. COWEN.

Resolved that circulars be sent to some of the neighbouring tradesmen requesting them to send in tenders, for such repairs as may be mentioned in the circulars furnished to them, by the 12th day of September next, the tenders to be addressed to the Churchwardens, High Littleton.

Resolved that this Vestry be adjourned until Friday the 14th Sep'r at 5 o'Clock in the evening.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 14 September 1860.

At an adjourned vestry held this day,

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, J. REES-MOGG Esq., Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr F. WEEKS, Mr L. COLE(S), Mr G.W. [W.G.] WHITE, Mr G. MULLETT, Mr I. COWEN.

Four tenders were produced, of which [William] PURNELL's at £17. 2. 0 was **accepted**.

Captain SCOBELL having presented a Carpet and two Hassocks for the Floor Round the Communion Table, **Resolved** that the thanks of this vestry be tendered for his kindness.

The Ass't Overseer stated that he had received a Union Call for £196 for the next quarter and also for the quarter following. **Resolved** that a Rate at 15d. in the pound be made to meet such call for the quarter ending 25th Dec'r 1860.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, November 8 1860.

At a Vestry Meeting held for the Tithing of High Littleton duly convened,

Present: Capt. SCOBELL, Mr REES-MOGG, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr Charles [?James intended] HALL.

Resolved unanimously that a rate for the repairs of the Highways at five pence in the pound be made.

The Parish Bridge at Ratcombe requiring repair, and the parapet wall being dilapidated, and thereby dangerous for Passengers, **resolved** that the same be repaired, and Captain SCOBELL having also offered to straighten the road adjoining the east side of the Bridge, provided the work be completed by the Surveyor of the Tithing, which will occasion the necessity of altering about eight feet of walling, **resolved** that such alteration be carried out.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, John REES-MOGG, William JAMES, James HALL.

High Littleton vestry Room, 16 February 1861.

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List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in vestry called for that purpose on the 16th day of February 1861, pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Place of abode</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>
James COX	Farmer	High Littleton	
Lewis COLE(S)	do.	do.	
Charles DOMAN	Hallatrow	Farmer (<i>sic</i>)	
Henry DOWLING	Farmer	Hallatrow	
Henry FERBRACHE	Attorney's Clerk	do.	
James HALL	Farmer	High Littleton	
Thomas HARRISON	Butcher	Hallatrow	Recommended
William JAMES	Farmer	High Littleton	
Thomas MELHUISH	Attorney's Clerk	do.	
Giles PEARCE	Haulier	do.	Recommended
Francis WEEKS	Farmer	Hallatrow	

Resolved that Mr Giles PEARCE and Mr Thomas HARRISON be recommended to serve as Constables for the ensuing year.

High Littleton vestry Room, 25th March 1861.

At the Annual Vestry held this day pursuant to notice, the following of Which is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the annual vestry will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 25th inst. at one o'Clock P.M. to Examine the Overseers' and Waywardens' accounts, and to appoint and nominate Overseers and waywardens for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before such Vestry:"

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr L. COLE(S), Mr J. COX, Mr J. HALL, Mr C. DOMAN, Mr F. WEEKS, Mr W. JAMES, Mr J. BLINMAN, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr T. MELHUISH, Mr James WEEKS, J. REES-MOGG Esq.

The Waywardens' accounts was examined and **approved**.

The Overseers' accounts was examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr James HALL and Mr Francis WEEKS be recommended to the Magistrates for Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES be elected Waywarden for the Tithing of High Littleton and Mr James BLINMAN for the Tithing of Hallatrow for the ensuing year at the same salaries as last year, and also that Mr Thomas MELHUISH be recommend[ed] to the Magistrates for the appointment of Constable in addition to those formerly recommended.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

[March/April 1861].

At a vestry duly called the above [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined & **approved**.

Mr REES-MOGG was **appointed** Church Warden by the Parish [*Vicar intended*] and Mr FERBRACHE by the Parish.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 11th July 1861.

At a vestry meeting held this Day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr James COX, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr William JAMES, Mr Thomas MELHUISH, Mr I. COWEN.

Resolved that Mr COWEN do take the necessary steps to ascertain the place of the legal Settlement of Mary MINEL, at present chargeable to this Parish.

[Sgd] Thomas MELHUISH, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 14 August 1861.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, in the Chair, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr I. COWEN, the Ass't Overseer, stated That Mary VINEY [*MINALL intended*], the wife of Jesse VINEY, a Private Sold[i]er in the 45th Regiment of Foot, was Chargeable to the Parish of High Littleton, and that, as far as he Could ascertain, her Husband's Parish was Ramsbury in Wiltshire.

Resolved that the necessary steps be taken to have the pauper removed to her legal place of settlement.

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[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE.

High Littleton vestry Room, 30th August 1861.

At a vestry held this day Pursuant to the following notice:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry will be held in the vestry Room on Friday the 30th inst. at 7 o'Clock in the evening, on Special Parish business."

Present: Mr Lewis COLE in the Chair, Mr I. COWEN.

Mr E.W. PIKE, Relieving Officer, stated that he had Paid the sum of one Pound nine shillings and seven pence by order of the Board of Guardians on account of Hester GREENLAND, the Daughter of the late William GREENLAND, who it was stated was a Parish[i]oner of High Littleton but has been residing in the Parish of Clutton for a number of years, and that the auditor had disallowed the said sum of one Pound nine shillings and seven pence.

Resolved that the said sum of one Pound nine shillings and seven pence be paid to the said Mr PIKE and that the same be paid out of the Church Rate.

[Sgd] Lewis COLE, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 9th January 1862.

At a vestry held this Day pursuant to Due notice,

Present: Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr Thomas MELHUISH, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr C. DOMAN, Mr J. COX, Mr J. BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr J. WEEKS.

A Copy of the Depositions of Ann CHIVERS, a Pauper now Chargeable to the Parish [of] Risca, having been read, It was **Resolved** that a notice of appeal be forthwith sent to [the] Parish Officers of Risca, the vestry being unannanously (*sic*) of Opinion that the Pauper does not belong to High Littleton.

Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, informed the vestry that a Rate at 1½[d.] in the Pound was required for the necessary repairs of the Church etc. **Resolved** that a Rate be forthwith made for that amount.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman, Henry FERBRACHE, Churchwarden, Lewis COLE, James WEEKS, Charles DOMAN, James BLINMAN, James COX, Thomas MELHUISH, Isaac COWEN

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1862.

At the annual vestry held this Day pursuant to notice, The [Rev'd] G.T. HYATT in the Chair,

[present also] Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr W. JAMES, Mr G. BLINMAN Jnr, Mr Jas. BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr J. COX, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr T. MELHUISH, Mr W.G. WHITE.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr James BLINMAN, the Waywarden for Hallatrow, laid his accounts before the vestry, they were examined and **approved**.

Mr William JAMES, Waywarden for High Littleton, laid his accounts before the Vestry, they were examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr George BLINMAN Junior and Mr Charles DOMAN be recommended to the Magistrates as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr James BLINMAN be appointed waywarden for the Tithing of Hallatrow and Mr William JAMES for High Littleton, the former at a salary of £2 and the latter at a salary of £6 Pounds per annum.

At the request of the Vestry, Mr Lewis COLE consented to continue as Parish Guardian.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 3rd April 1862.

At a vestry held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: The Rev'd G.T. HYATT in the Chair, Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr James BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr John DUDDEN, Capt'n G.T. SCOBELL, R.N.

The vestry proceeded to take into consideration the case of David BRIMBLE, now residing at Risca in Wales, where his Wife and family are at present, and also Elize (*sic*) BRIMBLE, the widow of the late James BRIMBLE, who was killed at Risca in December 1860.

Resolved that the Ass't Overseer do proceed to Risca to obtain full particulars concerning them.

[Sgd] George T. HYATT.

[April 1862].

At a vestry duly called the [Churchwardens'] Accounts on the other side were examined and **approved**.

John REES-MOGG Esq'r was **appointed** Churchwarden for the Vicar and Mr Henry FERBRACHE by the Parish.

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[Sgd] George T. HYATT, Chairman.

[April 1862.]

At a vestry held this Day pursuant to notice,

Present: John REES-MOGG Esq. in the Chair, Mr Lewis COLE, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr I. COWEN, Mr Henry FERBRACHE.

The Ass't Overseer informed the vestry that in compliance with instructions given at the vestry held on the 3rd instant he had been to Risca and had ascertained that the Wife of David BRIMBLE was ill and kept her Bed for upwards of three years, and that he has a famely (*sic*) of five small children and was in receipt of Seven Shillings per week from the Parish of Risca, and that Eliza BRIMBLE, a Widow with 2 children, one of which was 14 years of Age and the other 11 months and was receiving 2 shillings per week in addition to 7s/6d per week from the widows and Orphans Fund, she being an able Bodied woman.

Resolved that, in the case of David BRIMBLE, he be allowed 4s/- per week until the further order of this vestry, and, in the case of Eliza BRIMBLE, the vestry passed no resolution.

Resolved that, in the case of David JONES, the removing Parish be applied to for a copy of the Depositions.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 21st Nov'r 1862.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to carry out the requirements of the Assessment (of the) Committee of the Clutton Union and that such Committee do consent of the following persons: John REES-MOGG Esq., Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr James WEEKS, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr William JAMES, three to be a quorum.

Mr William JAMES, Waywarden, stated to the vestry that he required a Rate at 6½[d.] in the Pound for the repairs of the Highways, when it was **resolved** that such rate be allowed.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, Chairman, John REES-MOGG, James WEEKS, William JAMES, James HALL, James BLINMAN, James COX, Charles DOMAN, George BLINMAN, Isaac COWEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 12 Feb'y 1863.

At a vestry meeting held this Day, held pursuant to due notice having been given,

[Present]: John REES-MOGG Esq. in the Chair, Henry FERBRACH[E], James COX, William JAMES, James BLINMAN, Charles DOMAN, James WEEKS, Thomas MELHUISH, Isaac COWEN.

The Committee appointed on the 21 Nov'r last, to carry out the requirements of the Assessment Committee of the Clutton Union, reported that they had prepared a Draft of the Valuation last (*sic*) of this Parish and such Draft was laid upon the Table.

Resolved Unnanimously (*sic*) that a fair Copy of such list be returned by the Parish Officers to the Union Assessment Committee as the Valuation list of this Parish.

Resolved Unnanimously that an extra Copy of the Valuation list be made and kept for use in the Vestry Room.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG, Chairman.

High Littleton vestry Room, 30 March 1863.

At the Annual Vestry held pursuant to notice, the Rev. G.R. TAYLOR in the chair,

[present also] Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr James BLINMAN, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Thomas MELHUISH, Mr Joseph POOL, Mr James HALL, Mr James WEEKS, Mr James COX, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Thomas BATT.

The Overseers' accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr James BLINMAN, the Waywarden for Hallatrow laid his accounts before the Vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

Mr William JAMES, Waywarden for High Littleton laid his accounts before the Vestry; they were examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr James BLINMAN and Mr James COX be recommended to the Magistrates as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr James BLINMAN be appointed Waywarden for the Parish of High Littleton.

Mr Lewis COLE, the late Guardian, having left the Parish, it was **resolved** that J. REES-MOGG Esq. be nominated as Guardian for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr William JAMES and Mr Joseph POOL be appointed Collectors, and that Mr James COX and Mr George BLINMAN be appointed Assessors of the Property Tax.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

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High Littleton Vestry Room, 6th April 1863.

At a Vestry held pursuant to notice, the Rev. G.R. TAYLOR in the chair,
[present also] Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved that the Meeting be adjourned to Friday evening 10th April at seven o'clock.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 9th [called for 10th] April 1863.

At an adjourned Vestry held on the above day pursuant to notice, the Rev. G.R. TAYLOR in the Chair,
[present also] Mr Henry FERBRACHE, Mr I. COWEN, Mr James WEEKS.

Resolved that a rate of 2d. in the pound be made for the necessary expenses of the Church.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Vicar, Chairman.

[10th April 1863].

At a Vestry duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined and **approved**.

John REES-MOGG Esq'r was **appointed** Churchwarden for the Vicar and Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Parish.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

[28th March 1864].

At a Vestry duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined & **approved**.

John REES-MOGG Esq. was **appointed** Churchwarden for the Vicar and Mr Henry FERBRACHE was **appointed** Churchwarden for the Parish.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL, Chairman.

[*The above minutes also appeared in another book.*]

High Littleton Vestry Room, 28th March 1864.

At a vestry meeting held this Day pursuant to notice, The following is a notice (*sic*) thereof:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the vestry Room on Monday the 28th day of March inst. at two o'clock in the afternoon. The Churchwardens' Accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination, and application will be made for a Church Rate for the requisite purposes of the ensuing year. The various Officers will be appointed and all other Parochial Business, which can be legally transacted on that Day, will be considered and disposed of."

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined and **approved**, having been first signed by the Parish Officers.

Resolved that George BLINMAN and Thomas BATT be recommended to the Magistrates for overseers for the ensuing year.

The Churchwardens' accounts for the past year were examined and **approved**.

Resolved that a Rate at 15d. in the Pound be made for to meet a Union Call for 160 Pounds and a Highway Call for £36.10. 0.

Resolved that a rate at 3d. in the Pound be made for the requisite and necessary Repairs of the Church.

Resolved that Mr [*William*] PURNELL's Estimate 5.14. 6 for the repairs of the Vestry be accepted.

Resolved that Mr James BLINMAN be appointed waywarden for the Parish for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] G.T. SCOBELL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 14th April 1864.

At a Vestry held this day pursuant to notice, Rev. G.R. TAYLOR in the Chair,
present also Capt'n SCOBELL, R.N., John REES-MOGG Esq'r, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr James COX, Mr W. JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr James BLINMAN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr George WYATT.

It was resolved that, whereas by the minute of April 1854, the pew in the north gallery (No. 5) was appropriated to the occupiers of the House then occupied by Mr Thomas BATT, which House has long been void, It is the opinion of this Vestry that henceforth such Pew should be appropriated to the House in the occupation of Mr Charles DOMAN J'r. **Carried** unanimously.

It was also resolved that the pew No. 7 in the body of the Church, being now unoccupied, be appropriated to High Littleton Inn. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Vicar, Chairman.

At a Vestry held this 27th day of October 1864 pursuant to notice,

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Present: Mr Henry FERBRACHE & Mr J. REES-MOGG, Churchwardens, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOL, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN Jun'r & Mr William JAMES.

The following is a Copy of the Notices given, Viz:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry will be held in the Vestry Room of this Church on the Evening of Thursday next 7 o'Clock, for the purpose of taking into consideration the dilapidated state of the Church Roof & other Business and also of electing a Waywarden in the Room or place of the late James BLINMAN deceased."

It was proposed and seconded that Mr James COX be appointed Waywarden for the present year in the place of James BLINMAN deceased. **Carried** unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr George BLINMAN & seconded by Charles DOMAN, that the Lead work of the Roof of the Church be repaired forthwith. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Henry FERBRACHE, John REES-MOGG, James COX, Geo. BLINMAN, Charles DOMAN, William JAMES, Joseph POOL.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 27th March 1865.

At a Vestry held this day, pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev. G.R. TAYLOR, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Church W'n, Capt'n SCOBELL, R.N., Mr MELHUSH, Mr C. DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN Jn'r, Mr HALL, Mr BATT, John REES-MOGG Esq., Church W'n, Mr POOLE, Mr COWEN.

The Overseers' accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr Thomas HARRISON and Mr William JAMES were **nominated** as overseers for the ensuing year.

It was **resolved** that Mr James COX be appointed Waywarden for the Parish of High Littleton.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Vicar.

[March/April 1865].

At a Vestry duly called the foregoing [*Churchwardens'*] accounts were examined and **approved**.

John REES-MOGG Esq. was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden and Mr [*Henry*] FERBRACHE Churchwarden for the Parish.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, April 17 1865.

At a Vestry held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev. G.R. TAYLOR, Mr FERBRACHE, Mr REES-MOGG, Capt. SCOBELL, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr COWEN.

Mr [*Isaac*] COWEN stated that his Salary of four Pounds as Parish Clerk was insufficient for the duties of the office, inasmuch as he paid out of that sum £2 per annum to Mrs [*Eliza*] COLLINS for cleaning the Church etc.

It was **resolved** that in future Mrs COLLINS's Salary be paid out [*of*] the Church Rate, and that the Clerk's Stipend be paid to him in full.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Vicar.

High Littleton Vestry Room, May 18th 1865.

At a Vestry held this day, pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev. G.R. TAYLOR, John REES-MOGG Esq'r, Mr FERBRACHE, Churchw'ns, Mr HALL, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr COX, Mr W. JAMES, Mr COWEN.

It was **resolved** that a Rate of 3d. in the Pound be made for the necessary expenses of the Church.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Vicar, Henry FERBRACHE, John REES-MOGG, Isaac COWEN, James COX, William JAMES, James HALL, Geo. BLINMAN.

1865 Aug't 29th.

At a vestry held in pursuance of notice, for the purpose of considering the recom[m]endations of the Public Meeting at Temple Cloud to consider what steps it may be desir(e)able to take in consequence of the threatened outbreak of the cattle disease,

Present: John REES-MOGG Esq're in the Chair, Mr H. FERBRACHE, Mr [*James*] COX, Mr [*George*] HEDGES, Mr [*Isaac*] COWEN, Mr [*William*] JAMES, Mr [*Joseph*] POOL, Mr [*James*] HALL.

Mr REES-MOGG informed the Meeting of the proceedings at Temple Cloud.

It was **agreed** unanimously that Mr POOL should be the Joint Committee Man with the Guardian (of the Guardian) of the general Association of the Union.

[Sgd] John REES-MOGG.

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High Littleton, 12 January 1866.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, Mr William JAMES in the Chair.

It was **Resolved** that this Vestry be adjourned until further notice.

[Sgd] William JAMES, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 2nd April 1866.

At a Vestry held this day, pursuant to notice,

Present: Rev. G.R. TAYLOR, Capt'n SCOBELL, John REES-MOGG Esq., Mr FERBRACHE, Mr James COX, Mr William JAMES, Mr G. BLINMAN Jn'r, Mr [James] HALL, Mr C. DOMAN, Mr [Thomas] BATT, Mr HEDGES, Mr DRURY, Mr James WEEKS, Mr COWEN, Mr [Cornelius] RAWLINGS, Mr MELHUIISH.

The Overseers' accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr Joseph POOL and Mr William DRURY were **nominated** as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Waywarden for the parish of High Littleton.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman, G.T. SCOBELL, John REES-MOGG, James WEEKS, Joseph POOL, Henry FERBRACHE, William DRURY, Charles DOMAN, William JAMES, Thom. MELHUIISH, Isaac COWEN, George HEDGES.

[April 1866].

At a Vestry duly called the foregoing [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined and **approved**.

Mr J. REES-MOGG Esq'r was **appointed** Vicar's Churchwarden and Mr James COX Churchwarden for the Parish.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, August 13th 1866.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice (the following is a copy thereof:)

"Take Notice, That in compliance with Instructions received from the Clerk of the Clutton Union Board of Guardians, on the subject of the alarming increase of Cholera, A Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish, on Monday the 13th inst. at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering and adopting, as far as practicable, such measures as may be deemed necessary to prevent the existence of nuisances, and promote the general health of the Inhabitants."

It was **resolved** that a Committee be formed consisting of the undermentioned number for the purpose of carrying into effect the above suggestion. Also, That such Committee do report at an adjourned meeting of this Vestry (appointed for Thursday next at 10 o'clock) the result of their investigation.

Members of the Committee for High Littleton.

Capt'n SCOBELL R.N. (*deleted*), Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr W. JAMES, Mr MELHUIISH, Mr I. COWEN.

Members of the Committee for Hallatrow.

Mr C. DOMAN, Mr W. DRURY, Mr T. BATT, Mr C. RAWLINGS.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman of Vestry.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 16th August 1866.

At an adjourned Meeting held this day, pursuant to notice, for the purpose of noting the report of the Committee appointed at the previous Meeting.

It was stated by the Committee that their investigation of the sanitary condition of the parish showed that it is on the whole satisfactory, but they made the following suggestions, Viz;

That the Relieving Officer be requested to inspect the premises occupied by Paschal WEEKS, also to investigate complaints made by Joseph CHIVERS, Mr GRANT, Mr [John] DUDDEN, Mr [Job] RAPPS.

Also to inspect drainage of premises occupied by Henry BRIMBLE, Thomas MAGGS, and others.

Also to inspect the drainage from Jno. CLEAVES' House, and condition of privy and pigsty(e) at end of house occupied by Chas. NORRIS.

Also to inspect privy and drain of House occupied by Geo. CLEAVES, and the gents. & drains at the top of Rotcombe.

Also to inspect Cess pools, drains & privies of Houses occupied by Chas. SAGE, Edw'd HARRISON & Frederick SAGE, Thomas HUTTON, George DIX, Elijah SMITH, James EVANS and William EVANS.

Also at Hallatrow - the Committee suggest inspection of premises occupied by Jos'h NORRIS, Peter DANDO, Ann WYATT and Abednego WEEKS.

Signed Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman, James COX, William JAMES, James HALL, Joseph POOL, Charles DOMAN, Tho's BATT, Cornelius RAWLINGS, George BLINMAN, Isaac COWEN, Thom. MELHUIISH.

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High Littleton Vestry Room, Sep'r 6th 1866.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that in compliance with instructions received from E. LOVELL Esq., Clerk of the Peace for the County of Somerset, a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry room of this Church on Thursday the 6th inst. at 10 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of examining a Copy of the proposed Basis or Standard for a new County Rate and such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.
High Littleton, 1st Sep'r 1866. I. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: James COX, Chairman, William JAMES, James HALL, Isaac COWEN, Thomas MELHUISH.

Resolved that the Consideration of the Basis or Standard for a new County Rate be adjourned until Thursday the 13th instant at 10 A.M. and that the Assistant Overseer take such legal proceedings as may be necessary to recover the Rates due from the Timsbury Coal Company.

[Sgd] James COX.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September 13th 1866.

At an adjourned vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

(Present): Capt'n SCOBELL, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Jas. HALL, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Jos'h POOL, Mr Isaac COWEN, Rev. G.R. TAYLOR.

It was **resolved** That a communication be made to the Committee appointed to prepare a Basis or Standard of a County rate, to the effect that the Sum at which this Parish is rated, being according to the published Basis £3730, and the Rateable Value of the Parish being £3550, and this Vestry being of opinion that such latter sum fully represents the sum at which the Parish should be rated, this vestry, therefore, submits to the Committee that the sum in excess, viz. £180, be deducted from their Basis.

[Sgd] Geo. R. TAYLOR, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 28th 1867.

List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in a vestry called for that purpose, on the 28th day of February 1867, pursuant to the Statutes in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of Previous Service</u>
John BARTLETT	High Littleton	Farmer	
James COX	do.	do.	
Charles DOMAN Jn'r	do.	do.	
William DRURY	do.	do.	
Thomas HARRISON	do.	Butcher	
William JAMES	do.	Farmer	
James LEWIS	do.	Labourer	
Thomas MELHUISH	do.	Attorney's Clerk	
Joseph POOL	do.	Farmer	
George PRIDDY	do.	Shoemaker	1866
Cornelius RAWLINGS	do.	Farmer	1866
George THATCHER	do.	Yeoman	
Francis WEEKS	do.	Farmer	

[Sgd] James COX, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25 March 1867.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby Given that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the vestry Room of the Church in this Parish (will be held) on Monday the 25th inst. at two o'Clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of examining the Overseers' Accounts for the past year and for appointing and nominating Overseers and Waywarden for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry."

Present: Mr James COX in the Chair, Mr G. BLINMAN Jun'r, Mr J. POOL, Mr I. COWEN, John REES-MOGG Esq.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr James HALL, Mr Francis WEEKS to be recom[m]ended to the Magistrates as overseers for the ensuing year and Mr [William] JAMES be appointed Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that a Rate at 2½d. in the Pound for the necessary repairs of the Church etc. be forthwith made and collected.

[Unsigned].

1867 April 27th.

At a Vestry Meeting duly called,

Present: Mr REES-MOGG, Mr COX, Churchwardens, Mr COWEN, Mr HARRISON, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr William JAMES, Mr WEEKS, Mr POOL, Mr John HARRISON, Mr DOLMAN.

The above [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined & **approved**.

The Churchwardens for the past year were **continued**.

Resolved unanimously that a rate of two pence half penny in the pound be made and collected for the repairs and sustentation of the Church, and other purposes chargeable thereon.

[*Sgd*] John REES-MOGG, James COX.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 5th March 1868.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice of Vestry and Resolutions To be fixed to the Church Door.

Parish of High Littleton, County of Somerset, Clutton Union.

Notice is hereby given, that a Vestry will be held at the usual place of meeting in this Parish, on Thursday the fifth day of March at 11 a.m., for the special purpose of considering the following Resolutions, and for adopting them if agreed to:

At a Vestry Meeting of the Ratepayers of this Parish, held in pursuance of the above Notice, Resolved,

1. That the direct tax of £9,500,000 per annum now levied under the name of "Poor Rate", bears exclusively and unfairly on income arising from Real Property.

2. That the exemption from the rate of Income arising from Personal Property is not only unjust, but also impolitic, and prejudicial to the public interest, and therefore requires the serious consideration of Parliament.

3. That the Poor Rate and its mode of assessment by costly and frequently incorrect valuations (annually open to appeal), discouraging investments of capital in improvements, is a bar to the enterprising, and a bonus to the unenterprising owners and occupiers of land.

4. That the tax has an injurious bearing on house property in every city, town, and village, presses heavily on investments in buildings, especially on investments in cottages, and limits the demand for the labour of skilled and unskilled artisans employed in the planning, ornamenting, and building of houses.

5. That incidentally the tax lessens the employment of labour and the production of food, thus inflicting a twofold injury on the poor, who are especially interested in the increase of food and the increase of employment.

6. That investments of capital in improvements tending to increase of food, to increase of dwellings for the poor, to increase of employment in skilled and unskilled labour, should not be discouraged by a special tax (averaging over ten per cent) on income arising from such investments, in addition to a rate of 5 per cent levied on the same description of Property as a Land Tax.

7. That the Income Tax Assessment affords an economical means of assessment of all income to a National Poor Rate, which may be placed to a separate account in the National Exchequer to the credit of the Poor Law Commissioners, by whom the half yearly orders of Boards of Guardians and Highway Boards would be honoured.

8. That the assessment of all income arising from personal as well as real property, to the Poor Rate would enlist the interest of all in its economical expenditure, and owners of property would have a more immediate and more direct interest than at present in preventing additions to, and undue increase of, the rate, and also in avoiding extravagant outlay in county matters now exclusively under their control.

9. That the Poor Law of 1834, establishment charges, building Unions, Lunatic Asylums, Gaols etc., the Union Chargeability Act, payment from a common fund, abrogation of the old law of settlement, and the general tendency of legislation to place the management of poor, county, and road rates under boards and auditors, controlled by a central power, has removed the objection that the maintenance of the poor and highways is a local duty, and therefore should be paid by a local tax.

10. That the majority of County and Borough Voters are Ratepayers, but not generally large money owners, and are therefore deeply interested in the removal of the present exemption from Poor Rate of income, arising from money however invested.

11. That when the industrious and working classes in the Towns see that the removal of the present exemption of income from money is to them a question of 2d. in the pound instead of 2/s. in the pound, they will not fail to bring the unfairness of this heavy tax to the notice of candidates for their suffrages at the next General Election.

12. That the question is at present entirely free from party politics and should be so kept."

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Present: Mr James COX, Chairman, Mr Joseph POOL, Mr Chas. DOMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Tho's MELHUISH.

Resolved that the consideration of the foregoing resolutions be adjourned for adoption or rejection of the Ratepayers at the next annual Vestry.

[Sgd] James COX, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 26th March 1868.

At a vestry meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry room of this Church on Thursday next the 26th inst. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of nominating Overseers and examining their accounts for the past year and for electing Parish Guardian and Waywarden for the ensuing year and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Joseph POOL, Mr Thomas MELHUISH, Mr John HARRISON, Mr William JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN Junior, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved that Mr George BLINMAN and Mr Charles DOMAN be elected as Overseers for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts were laid before the Vestry, examined and **approved**.

Resolved that Mr Joseph POOL be elected Parish Guardian and Mr James COX Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Moved by Mr Joseph POOL and seconded by Mr William JAMES and **resolved** that the Salary of the Organist £10 per annum be paid out of the Church Rate.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting duly called and held on Easter Tuesday April 14th 1868,

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Joseph POOL, Mr William DRURY, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOL was **appointed** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden.

Mr James COX was **chosen** unanimously by the Vestry as Churchwarden.

The Churchwardens' Accounts for the past year were examined and **passed**, as annexed.

Signed: Edm'd C. STREETEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Nov. 5th 1868.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish, on Thursday next the 5th day of November at 7 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of Figuring a Church Rate, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry. The attendance of the Rate Payers is Particularly requested.

High Littleton, October 31st 1868. I. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOL, Churchwardens, Mr Thomas MELHUISH, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

It was **Resolved** - That a Rate at 2d. in the Pound for the necessary repairs etc. of the Church be forthwith made and collected.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 19th 1869.

The List of Persons qualified and Liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in a Vestry called for that purpose, on the 19th day of February 1869, pursuant to the Statu[t]es in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of previous Service</u>
John BARTLETT	High Littleton	Farmer	[nothing filled in]
James COX	do.	do.	
Frederick CROSS	do.	Grocer	
Charles DOMAN	Hallatrow	Farmer	
William JAMES	High Littleton	do.	
John JAMES	do.	Labourer	
William KING	Hallatrow	Farmer	
Thomas MELHUISH	High Littleton	Attorney's Clerk	
Joseph POOL	do.	Farmer	
Cornelius RAWLINGS	Hallatrow	do.	

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Francis WEEKS do. do.
Jacob WILLIAMS do. do.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 29th 1869.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of this Church on Monday the 29th inst. at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon for the purpose of Nominating and Appointing the Overseers, Churchwardens, Waywarden and Parish Gaurdian (*sic*) for the ensuing year and for examining the Parish Officers' accounts for the Past Year and for such other Business as may be brought before such Vestry."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOL, Churchwardens, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Thomas MELHUISH.

Resolved - That Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr George BLINMAN be elected as Overseers for the ensuing year.

That Mr Joseph POOL be elected Guardian for the ensuing year, and Mr James COX Waywarden.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting duly called and held in the Vestry of the Church of High Littleton [March/April 1869],

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, Mr James COX & Mr Joseph POOL, Churchwardens, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr James WEEKS, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr MELHUISH & Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOL was **appointed** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden, Mr James COX was **appointed** by the Parish as the other Churchwarden.

The above [*Churchwardens'*] Accounts were examined and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry, June 17th 1869.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice by direction of the Poor Law Board, for the purpose of electing a Parish Guardian for the above Parish for the ensuing year,

Proposed by Mr Isaac COWEN and seconded by Mr William JAMES and **resolved** unanimously that Mr Joseph POOL be elected Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

Signed on behalf of Vestry, James COX, Churchwarden.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September 16th 1869.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this parish on Thursday 16th inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of taking into consideration the Poor Rate Assessment and Collection Act of 1869."

Present: Mr James COX, Chairmen, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved that the Consideration of the foregoing Act be adjourned for adoption or rejection of the Ratepayers at a Vestry Meeting to be held on Friday the 24th inst. at half past 6 p.m.

[Sgd] James COX, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September 24th 1869.

At an adjourned Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to notice,

Present: Mr Joseph POOL, Chairman, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved unanimously that the Poor Rate And Assessment Act of 1869 be put in force in this Parish.

[Sgd] Joseph POOLE, Chairman. [*from here on Joseph signed as POOLE rather than POOL as hitherto*]

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 24 1870.

The List of Persons qualified and Liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in a Vestry called for that purpose on the 24th day of February 1870, pursuant to the Statu/*t*/es in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of previous Service</u>	
BARTLETT John	High Littleton	Farmer		
COX James	do.	do.		
CROSS Frederick	do.	Grocer	1869	Recom'ded
DOMAN Charles	Hallatrow	Farmer	1869	
HUNT Alfred	do.	do.		
HUTTON Thomas	High Littleton	Haulier		

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JAMES William	do.	Farmer	
JAMES John	do.	Labourer	
MELHUIISH Thomas	do.	Auctioneer	
POOLE Joseph	do.	Farmer	
PITMAN John	Hallatrow	Carpenter	
PRIDDY George	High Littleton	Shoemaker	
RAWLINGS Cornelius	Hallatrow	Farmer	
WEEKS Francis	do.	do.	Recommended
WILLIAMS Jacob	do.	do.	

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1870.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Friday the 25th inst. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of nominating and appointing the Overseers, Waywarden(s) and Parish Guardian for the ensuing year, For examining the Overseers' Accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

High Littleton, March 19th 1870. Joseph POOLE, James COX, Churchwardens, George BLINMAN, Charles DOMAN, Overseers."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Chairman, B.L.J. SCOBELL Esq., Joseph POOLE, Churchwarden, George BLINMAN, Overseer, Isaac COWEN.

Resolved - That George THATCHER Esq. & Thomas MELHUIISH be nominated Overseers.

Mr James COX be nominated & appointed Waywarden.

Mr Joseph POOLE, having been nominated, be appointed to the Office of Parish Guardian.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

Resolved - That a Rate at 2½[d.] in the Pound for necessary expenses etc. of the Church be forthwith made and collected.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice & held in the Vestry this 18th day of April 1870, being Easter Monday, High Littleton,

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar & Mr James COX by the Vestry as the other Churchwarden.

The above [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined & **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN.

High Littleton Vestry Room, February 16th 1871.

The List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in a Vestry called for that purpose, on Thursday the 16th day of February 1871, pursuant to the Statutes in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of previous service</u>
BARTLETT John	High Littleton	Farmer	
CLEAVES George	do.	Butcher	Recommended
COX James	do.	Farmer	
CROSS Frederick	do.	Grocer	1869, 1870
DOMAN Charles	Hallatrow	Farmer	
HUNT Alfred	do.	do.	Recommended
JAMES William	High Littleton	do.	
JAMES John	do.	do.	
MELHUIISH Thomas	do.	Auctioneer	
POOLE Joseph	do.	Farmer	
PRIDDY George	do.	Shoemaker	
RAWLINGS Cornelius	Hallatrow	Farmer	
SHERRING Rd. Vowell	do.	Yeoman	
WAIT Dl. Charles	do.	Farmer	
WEEKS Francis	do.	do.	1870
WILLIAMS Jacob	do.	do.	

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Resolved that Mr George CLEAVES and Mr Alfred HUNT be recommended to serve as Constables for the Ensuing year.

[Sgd] I. COWEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 23rd 1871.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday next the 23rd inst. at 7 o'clock in the Evening for the purpose of nominating Overseers and Examining their Accounts for the past year, and for Electing Parish Guardian and Waywarden for the Ensuing year and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed I. COWEN, Ass't Overseer. High Littleton, March 18th 1871."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Chairman, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr George BLINMAN.

Resolved - That Mr Francis WEEKS & Mr James HALL be nominated Overseers.

That Mr Joseph POOLE, having been nominated, be appointed to the Office of Parish Guardian.

That Mr James COX be nominated & appointed Waywarden.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice & held in the Vestry Room, this 10th day of April 1871, being Easter Monday, High Littleton,

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Barton J.L. SCOBELL Esq., Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Cornelius RAWLINS.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Church-warden by the Vicar & Mr James COX by the Vestry as the other Church-warden.

The annexed [Churchwardens'] account was examined & **approved**.

It was proposed and seconded and **carried** unanimously that a Rate be made & Collected for the necessary repairs & expences of the Church.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 29 1872.

The List of Persons qualified and liable to serve as Constables for the Parish of High Littleton in the County of Somerset, made out in a vestry called for that purpose, on Thursday the 29th day of Feb'y 1872, pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Abode</u>	<u>Calling or Business</u>	<u>Date of former service</u>
BARTLETT John	High Littleton	Farmer	
CLEAVES George	do.	Butcher	1871
COX James	do.	Farmer	
CROSS Frederick	do.	Grocer	1869, 1870
DOMAN Charles	Hallatrow	Farmer	recommended
HUNT Alfred	do.	do.	1871
JAMES William	High Littleton	do.	recommended
JAMES John	do.	do.	
MELHUISH Thomas	do.	Auctioneer	
POOLE Joseph	do.	Farmer	
PRIDDY George	do.	Shoemaker	
RAWLINGS Cornelius	Hallatrow	Farmer	
SHERRING Rich'd Vowell	do.	Yeoman	
WAIT D. Charles	do.	Farmer	
WEEKS Francis	do.	do.	1870
WILLIAMS Jacob	do.	do.	

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr Wm. JAMES be recommended to serve as Constables for the Ensuing Year.

[Sgd] I. COWEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1872.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the vestry room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 25th inst. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of nominating, and

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appointing the Overseers, Waywarden(s), and Parish Guardian for the Ensuing Year, For Examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.
James COX, Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, James HALL, Francis WEEKS, Overseers.
High Littleton, Mar. 16th 1872."

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwarden, Mr William JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved - That Mr Frederick CROSS & Mr Cornelius RAWLINGS, having been duly nominated, be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year.

That Mr James COX, having been nominated, be appointed Waywarden.

That Mr Joseph POOLE, having been nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice and held in the Vestry Room, this 2nd day of April 1872, being Easter Tuesday, High Littleton,

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry as the other Churchwarden.

The annexed [*Churchwardens'*] account was examined and **approved**.

Signed E.C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1873.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Tuesday the 25th inst. at 6 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of nominating and appointing the Overseers, Waywarden and Parish Guardian, for the ensuing year, for Examining the Overseers' account for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

High Littleton, March 16th 1873 I. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr George COWEN.

Resolved - That Mr William JAMES & Mr Thomas HARRISON, having been duly nominated, be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year.

That Mr James COX, having been duly nominated, be appointed Waywarden.

That Mr Joseph POOLE, having been duly nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts have been examined & **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice and held in the Vestry Room, this 14th day of April 1873, being Easter Monday, High Littleton,

Present: The Vicar in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden for the ensuing year by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry.

The annexed [*Churchwardens'*] account was examined & **approved**.

It was unanimously **agreed** that a rate of 2d. in the £ be made and collected for the necessary uses of the Church.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 27th 1874.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this parish on Friday the 27th day of March next at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Overseers for the past year, nominating Overseers for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated High Littleton, 21st March 1874. James COX, [*blank*], Churchwardens, [*blank*], Overseers."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwarden.

The Overseers' Accounts having been examined & **approved**,

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It was **resolved** - That Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr James HALL, having been duly nominated, be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year.
That Mr James COX, having been duly nominated, be appointed Waywarden for *[the]* ensuing year.
That Mr Joseph POOLE, having been duly nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice and held in the Vestry Room, this 6th day of April 1874, being Easter Monday, High Littleton,
Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Church Warden, Mr William JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Thomas MELHUISE, Mr Isaac COWEN.
Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Church Warden for the ensuing year by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry.
The annexed *[Churchwardens']* account was examined and **found correct**.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, September 17th 1874.

At a vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:
"Notice is hereby given that a vestry meeting will be held in the vestry room on Thursday the 17th inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of assessing land occupied by the Bristol and North Somerset Railway Company in the above Parish.
Dated High Littleton, September 13th 1874. I. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."
Present: Mr Charles DOMAN in the chair, Mr Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer, Mr G.E. COWEN.
The Ass't Overseer was **directed** to furnish a supplemental list to the Assessment Committee, assessing the Bristol and North Somerset Railway Co'y 8a. 3r. 24p., Gross £260. 0. 0, Rateable Value £208.
[Sgd] Charles DOMAN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, October 1st 1874.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:
"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room, on Thursday the 1st day of October at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of taking into consideration the covering of the open drain (dividing the parishes of High Littleton and Farmborough) ordered by the Rural Sanitary Authority.
Joseph POOLE, James COX, Churchwardens, Charles DOMAN, *[blank]*, Overseers.
Dated High Littleton, September 26 1874."
Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer, Mr George BLINMAN.
It was proposed, seconded, and unanimously **agreed** to, That the Parish of High Littleton will join the Parish of Farmborough in covering the Drain, respecting which they have received Notice from the Sanitary Inspector, as far as the end of the stabling of the High Littleton Inn occupied by Mr Frank YORK, by paying a Moiety of the expenses incurred.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, February 25th 1875.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:
"Parish of High Littleton.
Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry room on Thursday next February 25th at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of assessing Lands used for Plantations, Woods, the growth of saleable underwood etc. etc., in the above parish.
Signed Joseph POOLE, James COX, Churchwardens, Charles DOMAN, *[blank]*, Overseers.
High Littleton 20th Feb'y 1875."
Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.
It was unanimously **resolved** that this Meeting be adjourned to 7 o'clock on Tuesday next 2nd of March.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 2nd 1875.

At an adjourned Vestry meeting held for the purpose of Assessing lands used for Plantations etc.,

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Present: Mr Joseph POOLE in the Chair, Mr Wm. JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr Geo. E. COWEN.

Resolved unanimously that the Assistant overseer do prepare a Valuation List & present to the Assessment Committee in the following order:

	<u>No. of page in reference Book & nature</u>		<u>Estimated Extent</u>	<u>Gross Rateable</u>	<u>Net</u>
<i>[Pencil note]</i>			a. r. p.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
B.W.	3	Coppice	1. 1.10	1. 5. 0	1. 3. 9
E. Sco.	11	Do.	2. 2	1. 0. 0	19. 0
J.G.M.	17	Stephen's Hill	4. 2.29	4.10. 0	4. 5. 6
J. Rees M.	29	Coppice	1.17	10. 0	9. 6
J.G.M.	30	Plantation	4. 1.14	8.10. 0	8. 1. 6
J.G.M.	30	Do.	2. 0.15	4. 0. 0	3.16. 0
J.G.M.	30	Do.	38	10. 0	9. 6
J.G.M.	30	Part Milking Barton	1. 8	10. 0	9. 6
J.G.M.	30	Plantation	2.34	1. 5. 0	1. 3. 9
J.G.M.	32	Coppice	3. 8	1.10. 0	1. 8. 6
B.Scobell	26	Plantation late C'pn SCOBELL	5. 0. 5	10. 8. 0	9.10. 0

[Sgd] Joseph POOLE, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1875.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday the 25th day of March next at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of nominating Overseers, Waywarden, and Guardian, for the ensuing year, for examining the accounts of the Overseers for the past year and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed Joseph POOLE, James COX, Churchwardens, Charles DOMAN, *[blank]*, Overseers.

Dated High Littleton, March 20th 1875."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Resolved - That Alfred HUNT & Francis YORK, having been duly nominated, be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year.

That James COX, having been duly nominated, be appointed Waywarden for the ensuing year.

That Mr Joseph POOLE, having been duly nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts having been examined, The Payments were found correct. The Receipts remain to be approved on account of the rate made on the Great Western Railway Company being disputed by the said Company.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room this 30th day of March 1875, being Easter Tuesday, at High Littleton,

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Parish for the ensuing year.

The *[Churchwardens']* accounts of the past year were examined and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 23rd 1876.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry room of the Church in this parish on Thursday the 23rd inst. at 7 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of Examining the Overseers' Accounts for the past year, Nominating and appointing the Overseers, Waywarden(s), and Guardian, for the year ensuing, and such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed Joseph POOLE, *[blank]*, Churchwardens, Alfred HUNT, Frank YORK, Overseers.

Dated High Littleton, 18th March 1876."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr George BLINMAN.

Resolved - That Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr Frederick CROSS, having been duly nominated, be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year.

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That Mr James COX, having been duly nominated, be appointed Waywarden for the ensuing year.

That Mr Robert JAMES, having been duly nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' account[s] were examined, found correct, and **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room 18th day of April 1876, being Easter Tuesday, at High Littleton,

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Parish for the ensuing year.

The [Churchwardens'] accounts were examined, found correct and **approved**, There being a Balance of £7. 0. 9 due to the Churchwardens.

It was unanimously **agreed** that a Rate of 2d. in the £ be made and collected for the necessary uses of the Church.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 26th 1877.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 26th day of March next at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating and appointing Overseers, Parish Guardian, and Waywarden for the year ensuing, for examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated High Littleton, March 16th 1877.

Signed James COX, Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Frederick CROSS, [blank], Overseers."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.

Resolved - That Mr George BLINMAN & Mr William JAMES be nominated Overseers for the ensuing year.

That Mr Robert JAMES, having been nominated, be appointed Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

That Mr James COX be appointed Way[warden] for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined & **approved**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room the 3rd day of April 1877, being Easter Tuesday, at High Littleton,

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr William JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry for the ensuing year.

The Churchwardens' Accounts were examined, found correct & **passed**, there being a Balance of £2.17. 5½ in hand.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, October 25th 1877.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Thursday the 25th inst. at 8 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of taking into consideration the best method of warming the Church and for such other business as may be brought before such vestry.

Dated High Littleton, Oct. 20th 1877. James COX, Churchwarden."

Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Barton L.J. SCOBELL Esq., Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Mr Robert JAMES, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN.

The Best method of warming the Church having been fully discussed and it being unanimously considered that under existing circumstance a stove or stoves would be best, It being also considered that the cost should not exceed the sum of £30, which it was agreed should be raised by subscription, The Chairman and Mr Thomas JAMES were **requested** to obtain the best information they could respecting a suitable stove or stoves within the limit of the said sum of £30, and report it to the Meeting, which would be adjourned for that purpose.

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The subject of the Church Gates, which are in a state of decay, was brought before the Meeting and **instructions were given** to the Churchwardens to have New Gates and Posts made forthwith.

The Meeting was then adjourned to receive the report of the Chairman and Mr Thomas JAMES as above, to Monday 29th instant at 8 o'clock in the evening.

[Unsigned]

October 29th 1877.

The adjourned Meeting having reassembled at the Vestry Room of the Church, and there being Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Barton L.J. SCOBELL Esq., Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Robert JAMES, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES.

The Chairman & Mr Thomas JAMES laid before the Meeting the information they had obtained at the Coalbrook-Dale Company's Establishment, Bristol, respecting the Stoves they were to inquire about.

It was **agreed** that two Gill Warming Stoves should be put up in the Church, And instructions were given to the Chairman to take steps forthwith to have two such Stoves, at cost of £6.12. 6 each, with estimated heating power of 14,000 cubic feet each, and all necessary apparatus, put up under the directions of a fitting workman to be sent over by the said Company.

A collection was then commenced by the members of the Vestry present amounting to the Sum of £15, as per List following: The Chairman £3, Barton L.J. SCOBELL Esq. £3, Mr Thomas JAMES £3, Mr James COX, Churchwarden £2, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwarden £1, Mr William JAMES £1, Mr Robert JAMES £1, Mr Isaac COWEN £1, and the Churchwardens were **requested** by the Vestry to add to this amount by soliciting further subscription in the Parish.

Business was then concluded and the Vestry closed.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room this 1st day of February 1878 at High Littleton Church,

Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES.

It was proposed, seconded, and **Resolved**, That a Rate of three pence in the pound be made & collected to defray the expence of cleaning & colouring the Church, the new Gates & the Church Yard, and other necessary calls for the Church.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

[The above minute also appeared in another book.]

High Littleton Vestry Room, Feb'y 1st 1878.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice

Is hereby given that a Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of High Littleton Church on Friday next, 1st of February, at 7 o'clock in the evening, To consider and take steps for the cleaning and colouring of the Church, the subject of the Gates, and such other business as may be brought before the Meeting.

Signed this 26th day of January 1878. Edm'd C. STREETEN, Vicar."

Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Mr Isaac COWEN, Mr William JAMES.

Mr COX having produced an estimate by Austin OSMAN of the Cost of cleaning & colouring the interior of the Church, except the Chancel, amounting to the sum of £5.10. 0, for which he would undertake to execute the work in a workmanlike manner, It was proposed, seconded, and unanimously **Resolved**, That such Estimate should be accepted. And Mr COX, Churchwarden, was thereupon instructed to communicate with Austin OSMAN and get him to do the work according to agreement as soon as possible.

Mr COX was also **requested** to communicate with the Lay Rectors respecting the colouring & other repairs required in the Chancel, that, if they were agreeable, the Chancel & Church might be coloured & repaired at the same time.

It was also **resolved**, as entered in the Churchwardens' Book, That a rate of three pence in the pound be made & collected, to meet the cost of the above work and other necessary expenses, including new Gates to the Churchyard.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1878.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

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"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 25th day of March next at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of Examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year and nominating Overseers, and appointing Waywarden and Guardian for the year ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed Isaac COWEN, Ass't. Overseer. Dated High Littleton March 16 '78."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr William JAMES, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Isaac COWEN.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined & **passed**. Mr Thomas MELHUISH and Mr Francis WEEKS were **nominated** Overseers. Mr James COX was **appointed** Waywarden and Mr Joseph POOLE was **nominated** Guardian for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room the 23rd Day of April 1878, (at the Vestry Room,) being Easter Tuesday,

Present: Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr Isaac COWEN.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Church-Warden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry for the ensuing year.

The Churchwardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **passed**, there being a Balance of £2. 2. 2 in hand.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1879.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry room of the Church in this Parish on Tuesday 25th day of March inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Overseers for the past year, nominating Overseers and appointing Parish Guardian, and Waywarden, for the year ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated High Littleton Mar 15th 1879. Isaac COWEN, Ass't. Overseer."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Isaac COWEN, Ass't Overseer, Mr George BLINMAN.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined and **passed**. Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr James HALL were **nominated** Overseers. Mr Joseph POOLE was nominated and **appointed** Guardian and Mr James COX Waywarden for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room the 15th day of April 1879, being Easter Tuesday,

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr Joseph POOLE, Mr James COX, Churchwardens.

The Church Wardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **passed**, there being a Balance due to the Churchwardens of £3.13. 4½.

Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry for the ensuing year.

It was proposed and seconded that a Rate of 2d. in the pound be made & collected to defray the above Balance and the necessary expences of the Church - **passed** nem. con.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1880.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Notice is hereby given that Vestry Meetings will be held in the Vestry room of the Church in this parish on Thursday the 25th inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of Examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, Nominating Overseers, appointing Waywarden, and Parish Guardian for the year ensuing.

Also on Monday the 29th inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, Examining their accounts for the past year & for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry Meeting.

Dated this 26th day of March 1880.

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James COX, Charles DOMAN, James HALL, Overseers, Churchwarden."
Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr Isaac COWEN.
Mr Joseph POOLE was nominated and **appointed** Guardian for the ensuing year.
The Meeting was then adjourned and the remainder of the business of the Vestry postponed till Monday 29th instant.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

March 29th 1880.

At the Meeting adjourned to this day as above,
Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Charles DOMAN, Overseer, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.
The Overseers' accounts were examined and **passed**.
Mr Charles DOMAN and Mr George BLINMAN were **nominated** Overseers and Mr James COX was **appointed** Waywarden.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room this 29th day of March 1880, being Easter Monday,
Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Church Warden, Mr Charles DOMAN, Overseer, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.
The Churchwardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **passed**. Balance due to the Churchwardens £13.18. 2½.
Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry for the ensuing year.
N.B. A Rate of 2d. in the pound having been made last year, the same remains to be collected, as sanctioned by the Vestry, both of the past and present year.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Oct 21st 1880.

A Vestry Meeting having been held on the above date, To "take into consideration the Rating of Tenants' Sporting Rights, under the new Ground Game Act," such Meeting having been called under due Notice by Mr George BLINMAN, Overseer,
It was unanimously **agreed** by those present, Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr George BLINMAN, Overseer, Mr William JAMES, Mr Alfred HUNT, Mr Robert JAMES, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Thomas HARRISON, Mr Thomas MELHUIISH, That there was no ground for taking such Rating into Consideration.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1881.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:
"Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry room of the Church in this Parish on Friday the 25th day of March 1881 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating Overseers for the ensuing year, Examining their accounts for the past year, appointing Parish Guardian, and Waywarden(s), and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry."
Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, the Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Isaac COWEN.
It was **resolved** - That Mr George Emmanuel COWEN & Mr Charles DOMAN be nominated Overseers for the ensuing Year.
That Mr Joseph POOLE be appointed Parish Guardian, and
That Mr James COX be appointed Waywarden.
The Overseers' Accounts were examined & **approved**.
[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room this 19th day of April 1881, being Easter Tuesday,
Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.
The Churchwardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **passed**, Balance due to the Churchwardens being £3.15. 8.

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Mr Joseph POOLE was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr James COX by the Vestry for the ensuing year.

A rate of 2d. in the £ was **passed** and ordered to be collected.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, Dec 9th 1881.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Friday the 9th inst. at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of assessing the several pieces of land recently sold by Public Auction, formerly in the possession of Daniel Charles Purnell WAIT and the late John REES-MOGG, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

James COX, Joseph POOLE, Churchwardens, Charles DOMAN, George E. COWEN, Overseers."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, William JAMES, Charles DOMAN, Overseer, James COX, Churchwarden, Thomas MELHUSH, George E. COWEN, Overseer, Isaac COWEN.

It was unanimously **resolved** That the Gross Estimated rental and rateable value of the Land in the Parish recently purchased by Messrs [Henry] POLLETT, [William Frederick] CHARD, [Richard Vowell] SHERRING and [Thomas] JAMES, be left to the decision of the Overseers.

Signed, Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 27th 1882.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room of the Church in this Parish on Monday the 27th inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating the Overseers, appointing Waywarden(s), and Parish Guardian, for the ensuing year, For examining the Overseers' Accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed James COX, Churchwarden, Charles DOMAN, George COWEN, Overseers.

Dated High Littleton, March 17th 1882."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Charles DOMAN, Overseer(s), Isaac COWEN, Assistant Overseer.

It was unanimously **resolved** - That Mr William JAMES & Mr Robert JAMES be nominated Overseers.

That Mr James COX be appointed Waywarden.

And Mr Charles DOMAN Guardian for the Parish for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts were examined & **approved**.

Mr Isaac COWEN having resigned the Office of Assistant Overseer, it was unanimously **resolved** that Mr George COWEN be appointed to the said (of) Office of Assistant Overseer in place of Mr Isaac COWEN resigned.

Signed, Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting called pursuant to due Notice, held in the Vestry Room this 12th day of April 1882, being the Wednesday in Easter Week,

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Church Warden, Mr William JAMES.

The Churchwardens' Accounts were examined, found correct and **passed**, the Balance due to the Churchwardens being £11. 3.11½.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr George COWEN by the Parish for the ensuing year.

A Rate of 2d. in the £ was **passed** and ordered by the Vestry to be collected.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN.

At a Meeting held pursuant to due Notice, in the Vestry Room this 26th day of March 1883, being Easter Monday,

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr George COWEN, Church Wardens, Mr William JAMES, Overseer, Mr Charles DOMAN, Guardian.

The Church Wardens' Accounts were submitted as above, examined, found correct and **passed**, the Balance due to the Church Wardens being £3. 2. 9½.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Church Warden by the Vicar and Mr George COWEN by the Vestry for the ensuing year.

A rate of 2d. in the pound was **passed** and ordered by the Vestry to be collected.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

[The approval of Accounts and appointment of Churchwardens is repeated in another book, as below.]

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High Littleton Vestry Room, March 26th 1883.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the Vestry Room on Monday the 26th March inst. at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Churchwardens' and Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination. The Parish Guardian and Various Officers will be nominated and appointed, and all other Parochial business, which may be brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of. The Vestry will also take into consideration the advisability of selecting a site as a Burial Ground for the Parish. The attendance of Rate payers is particularly requested. James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, William JAMES, [blank], Overseers."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr George COWEN, Churchwardens, Mr William JAMES, Overseer, Mr Charles DOMAN, Guardian.

The Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts for the past year were submitted for Examination, found correct and **passed**.

The nomination of Mr Charles DOMAN having been made by Mr George COWEN on the 21st instant, for Guardian for the ensuing year, it was accepted and **confirmed**. Mr John HARRISON and Mr Thomas MELHUISH were nominated and **appointed** Overseers, and Mr James COX was **re-elected** Waywarden for the ensuing year. Mr James COX & Mr George COWEN were **re-elected** as Churchwardens, the former being nominated and appointed by the Vicar, the latter by the Meeting assembled in Vestry.

The question of the desirability of selecting a site as a Burial Ground for the Parish was considered and was deferred to obtain information respecting the necessary steps to be taken.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, March 25th 1884.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the Vestry Room on Tuesday the 25th March inst. at 7 o'clock in the Evening. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination. The Parish Guardian, and various Officers will be nominated, and appointed, and all other Parochial business, which may be brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Thomas MELHUISH, John HARRISON, Overseers."

Present: Mr John HARRISON in the Chair, also Messrs C. DOMAN, G.E. COWEN.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were submitted for examination, found correct and **passed**.

It was **resolved** that Mr Tho's MELHUISH and Mr Jno. HARRISON be nominated Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN be appointed Guardian for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] John HARRISON, Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 14th day of April 1884, pursuant to due Notice, being Easter Monday,

Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr George E. COWEN, Churchwardens.

The following is a correct Copy of the Notice of this Meeting, duly posted on the Church Door:

"Parish of High Littleton. Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room on Monday the 14th instant at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, and examining their accounts for the past year.

The Vestry will also take into Consideration the rebuilding of the Church.

Dated April 5th 1884, Signed James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens."

The Churchwardens' Accounts for the past year were examined and **found correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden for the ensuing year by the Vicar and Mr George E. COWEN by the Parish in Vestry.

The Rebuilding of the Church was considered but, the number of Parishioners present being so small, no steps were taken respecting it.

A Rate of 2d. in [the] £ was **passed** and ordered by the Vestry to be collected.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25th March 1885.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry meeting of this Parish will be held in the School Committee Room on Wednesday the 25th March inst. at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination, the Parish Guardian, and various officers will be nominated, and appointed, and all other Parochial business, which may be brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

Dated 21st March 1885. (Signed) George E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the chair, also Mr James COX, Mr George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Samuel James BODY.

The overseers' accounts for the past year were submitted for examination, found correct, and **passed**.

It was **resolved** that Mr Thomas MELHUISE and Mr John HARRISON be nominated Overseers for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden for the year ensuing.

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN be nominated Guardian of the Parish for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Vestry meeting held this 7th day of April [1885], pursuant to notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton. Notice is hereby given that a Vestry meeting will be held in the School Room on Tuesday the 7th day of April next at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of examining the Churchwardens' accounts for the past year, and appointing Churchwardens for the year ensuing.

Dated 28th March 1885. (Signed) James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens."

The Churchwardens' accounts for the past year were examined and **found to be correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden for the year ensuing by the Vicar and Mr George E. COWEN by the Parish in Vestry.

It was unanimously **resolved** that Mrs Mary BACON be appointed to succeed Mrs [Eliza] COLLINS in cleaning the Church and assisting generally.

It was also unanimously **resolved** that Henry TAYLOR be appointed Sexton for the ensuing year.

Note: The following gentlemen were present at the Vestry: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, B.L.J. SCOBELL Esq're, Mr S.J. BODY.

A Rate of 2d. in the Pound was **passed** and ordered by the Vestry to be collected.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 25th day of March 1886.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the Vestry Room on Thursday the 25th March inst. at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination, the Parish Guardian, Waywarden, and Overseers, will be nominated, and appointed. The question of selecting two, or more, Rate payers to act in conjunction with the Rural Sanitary Authority (together with all other parochial business, which may be brought before such Vestry) will be considered, and disposed of.

Dated this 20th day of March 1886. (Signed) Geo. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the chair, also Messrs James COX, Charles DOMAN, S.J. BODY, J. HARRISON, G. E. COWEN.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were submitted for examination, found correct, and **passed**.

Resolved that Mr Samuel James BODY and Mr Frederick CROSS be nominated as Overseers for the ensuing year.

Mr Charles DOMAN was **nominated** Parish Guardian, and Mr James COX was **appointed** Waywarden for the year ensuing.

It was **resolved** that the following Rate payers be chosen to act in conjunction with the Rural Sanitary Authority, viz:

Mr James COX	High Littleton
Mr Samuel James BODY	High Littleton
Mr G.E. COWEN	High Littleton
Mr Tho's BLANNING	Hallatrow
Mr Robert JAMES	Hallatrow

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 28th [called for 29th] day of April [1886], pursuant to Notice, of which the following is a copy:

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"Parish of High Littleton. Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room on Thursday the 29th day of April 1886 at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of examining the Churchwardens' accounts for the past year, appointing Churchwardens for the year ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed Geo. E. COWEN, Churchwarden."

Present: Reverend E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, in the Chair, Mr George E. COWEN, Churchwarden.

The Churchwardens' Accounts were produced, examined and **found correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden. Mr George E. COWEN was appointed by the Vestry as Parish Churchwarden.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 18th October 1886.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day convened to determine whether a Burial Ground shall be provided for the Parish, pursuant to duly published notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting, convened to determine whether a Burial Ground shall be provided for this Parish, will be held in the Vestry Room on Monday the 18th day of October 1886 at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Dated the 9th day of October 1886. Signed James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, also Mr James COX, Mr G.E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Mr Tho's MELHUISE Sen'r, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr Sam'l Jas. BODY, Mr Jno. VENTIN, Mr Thomas EVANS, Mr Tho's MELHUISE J'nr, Mr John MELHUISE, Mr Richard J. WILLIAMS, Mr Charles DOMAN.

It was proposed by Mr James COX, seconded by Mr G.E. COWEN, and **carried** unanimously That, in accordance with the object for which the present Meeting in Vestry assembled is convened, it is desirable, and necessary that a Burial Ground should be provided for the use of the Parish.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

Note

The proceedings of this vestry were informal, inasmuch as the resolution sent to the Home Secretary did not state the act under which it was intended to proceed. It was therefore necessary to convene another meeting of the Ratepayers, which was fixed for Monday the 22nd November 1886.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Vicar.

High Littleton Vestry Room, 22nd November 1886.

At a Vestry Meeting convened to determine whether a Burial Ground shall be provided for the above Parish, under the provisions of the Act 18 & 19 Vict. Cap. 128, pursuant to duly published notice,

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, also B.L.J. SCOBELL Esq., Messrs James COX, G.E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Thomas MELHUISE, William HEDGES, Jno. VENTIN, S.J. BODY, John MELHUISE, Thomas EVANS.

It was proposed by Mr G.E. COWEN, Seconded by Mr Tho. MELHUISE & **carried** unanimously, that this Meeting do adjourn to Monday Evening the 29th inst. at 7 o'clock, in order that the members present, and the ratepayers generally, may have an opportunity of ascertaining the feasibility (*sic*) of proceeding under the Act 18 & 19 Vict. Cap. 128, or any other Act.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

High Littleton, 29th November 1886.

At an adjourned Vestry Meeting held at the School Room this day,

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the chair, also Col. Barton SCOBELL, Charles GOOD Esq're, Messrs James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, S.J. BODY, Jno. VENTIN, Charles DOMAN, John HARRISON, George RAPPS, Thomas EVANS, Thomas MELHUISE Sen'r, John MELHUISE, John BARTLETT, Wm. HEDGES, Richard J. WILLIAMS, George BLINMAN.

The minutes of the Meeting of the 22nd inst. were read.

It was proposed by Mr MELHUISE, Seconded by Mr COX, and **carried** by a Majority of four members of the Vestry, "that it is desirable and necessary that a Burial Ground be provided for the Parish under Act. 18 & 19 Vict. Cap. 128."

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

25th day of March 1887, High Littleton Vestry Room.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

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Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room on Friday the 25th day of March at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of appointing Waywarden, nominating Parish Guardian, and Overseers for the year ensuing, for examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Signed G. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the chair, also Col. Barton SCOBELL, Charles GOOD Esq're, Mr COX, Mr Tho's MELHUIISH, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr S.J. BODY, Mr Jno. VENTIN, Mr C. DOMAN, Mr Jno. MELHUIISH, Mr G.E. COWEN.

The Overseers' Accounts for the past year were examined, found correct, and **passed**.

It was **resolved** that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN be nominated as Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

Mr Samuel James BODY, and Mr Jno. HARRISON, were **recommended** as Overseers for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Mr GOOD, seconded by Mr BODY and **carried**, that the attention of the Highway Board be drawn to the condition of Langford's Lane, with a view to its speedy amelioration, and that the Chairman of the Vestry be authorized to forward a copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Board.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Meeting held this 11th day of April [1887], being Easter Monday, pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"Parish of High Littleton. Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the Vestry Room on Monday the 11th day of April 1887 at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of examining the Churchwardens' accounts for the past year, Appointing Churchwardens for the year ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

James COX, George E. COWEN, Churchwardens. Dated High Littleton 2nd April 1887."

Present: The Rev'd E.C. STREETEN in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr George E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Charles GOOD Esq., Mr [George] BLINMAN, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr George CANTLE, Mr John VENTIN, Mr [Charles] POW, Mr John HARRISON, Mr [Samuel James] BODY.

The Church-wardens' Accounts were produced, examined and **found correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** by the Vicar as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year and Lieutenant-Colonel SCOBELL by the Vestry as Parish Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

A Church Rate of 2d. in the pound was **passed** and ordered by the Vestry to be collected.

Signed Edm'd C. STREETEN.

26th day of March 1888, High Littleton School Room.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held in the School Room on Monday the 26th day of March 1888 at 12 o'clock at noon, for the purpose of appointing Waywarden, nominating Parish Guardian, and Overseers for the year ensuing, for examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated this 16th day of March 1888. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens, Samuel James BODY, John HARRISON, Overseers."

Present: Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Chairman, B.L. SCOBELL Esq., Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr S.J. BODY, Mr Jno. HARRISON, Mr Charles DOMAN, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr Francis WEEKS, Mr G.E. COWEN.

It was **resolved** that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Charles DOMAN be nominated as Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

Mr Thomas BLANNING of Hallatrow and Mr Geo. BLINMAN were **recommended** as Overseers for the ensuing year.

The Overseers' Accounts for the past year were examined, found correct, and **passed**.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a meeting held this 5th day of April 1888 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"High Littleton. The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a Vestry meeting will be held on Thursday next the 5th day of April 1888 at 7 o'clock in the evening at the School Room, for the purpose of passing the accounts of the late Churchwardens, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 29th day of March 1888. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens."

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Present: The Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens, [Samuel] James BODY, George BLINMAN, John MELHUIISH, John VENTIN, George CANTLE.

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, examined & found **correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar, and Lt. Col. SCOBELL by the Parish.

A rate of 2d. in the Pound was passed and **ordered** to be collected.

The Churchwardens were **directed** to enquire into the matter of the East Boundary of the Churchyard, whether the fence belonged to the Church authorities or to the owner of the adjoining property, and to take necessary steps to get the wall repaired. They were **directed** to communicate also respecting the Elm trees on the South side of the Church, which were considered dangerous to the structure.

The Church was found to be insured in the Sun Fire Office in the Sum of £1800, the policy being in the hands of the Vicar.

The subject of the increased proposed Churchyard was discussed. The following resolution was **carried**:

"That the Church Wardens do call a Vestry meeting to proceed in the matter of the new Burial Ground."

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

[Similar Minutes with minor differences appear in another book and have not been transcribed again.]

16 April 1888.

At a meeting held this 16th of April 1888 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Monday the 16th day of April at 7 O'clock in the Evening at the School Room, to proceed in the matter of the New Burial Ground.

Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens. High Littleton 8 April 1888."

Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, Thomas MELHUIISH Sen'r, John MELHUIISH, Charles DOMAN Sen'r, George BLINMAN, Samuel BODY, Charles GOOD, George COWEN, George RAPPS, Frederick CARTER, James COX, Barton SCOBELL.

After full discussion, it was **resolved** "That in View of the importance of the subject, there shall be another vestry meeting held, to determine whether the increased burial accommodation shall be provided under the burial board Act, the Sanatory Act, or the additional Church yards Acts, on Monday 30th April 1888 at 7 O'clock in the Evening."

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a meeting of the Vestry held this 30th day of April 1888, pursuant to due notice, of which the following is [a] Copy:

"The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a Vestry meeting will be held on Monday 30th day of April 1888 at 7 O'clock in the Evening at the School room, in consequence of the following resolution passed at the late Vestry meeting, viz: That in View of the importance of the subject, there shall be another vestry meeting held, to determine whether the increased burial accommodation shall be provided under the Burial board Act, the Sanatory Act, or the additional Church Yards act, on Monday 30 April 1888 at 7 o'clock in the Evening.

Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens. 21 April 1888."

Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the chair, Messrs [Charles] GOOD, [Charles] POW, Robert JAMES, [George] COWEN, John HARRISON, [Sam'l Jas.] BODY, [George] BLINMAN, [Thos.] MELHUIISH Sen'r, John MELHUIISH, [Chas.] DOMAN, [James] COX, [Francis] WEEKS, Charles CROSS, Barton SCOBELL.

Resolved, That the Vicar be requested to apply to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese to obtain an opinion as to whether an unanimous or any other vote of vestry can levy a compulsory rate to provide [an] additional Burial Ground under [the] Church Building act.

Resolved That the Chairman be requested to find out the cost of walling, clearing, levelling, and draining ¼ acre, also ½ acre of proposed land for additional Church yard - wall to be 6 ft. high, also that he applies to the Lawyer legally concerned in the Property, for information as to the conveyance by gift or otherwise.

Resolved that the Vestry, at its rising, do adjourn to Monday May 14th at 7 P.M.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a meeting held this 14th day of May 1888 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is [a] copy:

"Notice is hereby given that the Vestry Meeting held on the 30th day of April last stands adjourned to Monday the 14th of May at 7 O'clock P.M. pursuant to the following resolution of the Vestry: Resolved that the Vestry, at its rising, do adjourn to Monday May 14th at 7 o'clock. The Vestry meeting will be held in the School Room to determine whether the increased burial accommodation shall be provided under the Burial Board Act, the Sanatory Act, or the additional Churchyards Act.

Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens. 6 May 1888."

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Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, Messrs [Chas.] GOOD, [Rich. V.] SHERRING, [?Tho's Kelson] BUSH, [Sam'l J.] BODY, R. JAMES, [Geo.] BLINMAN, [Chas.] DOMAN, [Geo.] COWEN, J. MELHUISH, [Tho's] MELHUISH Sen'r, Mr [Tho's] BLANNING, Mr [James] COX and Mr Barton SCOBELL.

Resolved that this Vestry meeting do stand adjourned to Monday the 9th day of July.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a meeting of the Vestry held this 9th day of July 1888 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that the Vestry meeting held on the 14th day of May last was adjourned by resolution of the Vestry to Monday the 9th day of July at 7 O'clock in the Evening at the School Room, for the further consideration as to what Act of Parliament to proceed under in the matter of the new Burial Ground.

Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens. 1 July 1888."

Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, Messrs GOOD, BODY, COWEN, MELHUISH, John MELHUISH Jun'r, BLINMAN, [Richard J.] WILLIAMS, C. DOMAN, BLAN[N]ING, SHERRING, POW, CANTLE, R. JAMES, George CLEAVES, John CLEAVES, Fred. CARTER, Thomas EVANS, COX, & Barton SCOBELL.

Proposed by Mr COX, seconded by Mr DOMAN, That the resolution passed 29th Nov'r 1886 be re/s/cinded. Amendment proposed by Mr GOOD, seconded by Mr SHERRIN[G], That the resolution stand. Lost by 9 votes to 4. **Original resolution carried** by 11 votes to 3.

Proposed by Mr BUSH [not listed as present], seconded by Mr SHERRIN[G], That the matter stand over for a year. Amendment proposed by Mr COX, seconded by Mr C. DOMAN, That the Vestry proceed under the Sanatory Act, the ground not to be consecrated. **Amendment carried** by 14 votes to 3.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

25th March 1889.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Take notice that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the National School Room on Monday March 25th 1889 at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination. The Parish Guardian and Overseers will be nominated and the Waywarden appointed for the ensuing year, and such other parochial business, as may be brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

Dated this 16th day of March 1889. Signed James COX, Churchwarden, Geo. BLINMAN, Tho's BLAN[N]ING, Overseers."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN in the chair, Messrs Tho's MELHUISH, George BLINMAN, Henry HALLETT, George CLEAVES, Thomas EVANS, John CLEAVES, James ASHLEY, Arthur CHIVERS, Chas. GOOD Esq., Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr C. DOMAN, Jno. HARRISON, Sam'l Jas. BODY, John MELHUISH, G.E. COWEN.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined and found to be **Correct**.

It was proposed by Mr Tho's MELHUISH and seconded by Mr COX, that Mr Charles DOMAN be nominated for parish Guardian for the ensuing year. **Carried** unanimously.

Resolved that Mr Charles POW of High Littleton, and Mr Henry PANES of Hallatrow, be recommended to the magistrates to serve the office of Overseers for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr C. DOMAN and seconded by Mr Charles GOOD, that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden of the Parish for the ensuing year. **Carried** unanimously.

It was moved by Mr C. GOOD, seconded by Mr J.S. BODY and **carried** unanimously, That the Highway Board be requested to Commence as soon as possible a path in continuation from the Wesleyan Chapel to the Church at High Littleton, and the Chairman was requested to forward a copy of such resolution to the Clerk of the Highway Board.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 22nd day of April 1889 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"High Littleton.

The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Easter Monday the 22nd of April 1889 at 7 O'clock in the evening at the School Room, for the purpose of passing the accounts of the Churchwardens, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such

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expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church Rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 12th day of April 1889. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens."

Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, Messrs [Charles] GOOD, [George] BLINMAN, John VENTIN, James ASHLEY, and James COX and Barton SCOBELL.

The Church wardens' accounts were produced, examined and found **correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar, and Lt. Col. Barton SCOBELL by the Parish.

A rate at 1d. in the pound was passed and **ordered** to be collected.

The Policy of Insurance was **directed** to be delivered to the Churchwardens, who were **authorized** to increase the Insurance to £5000, to include fabric and contents.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

25 March 1890.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Take Notice that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the National School Room, on Tuesday March 25th 1890 at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination. The Parish Guardian and Overseers will be nominated, and the Waywarden appointed for the ensuing year, and such other parochial business, as may be brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

Geo. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: The Rev. E.C. STREETEN, Vicar, Chairman, Col. B.L.J. SCOBELL, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr Chas. DOMAN, Mr Samuel Jas. BODY, Mr Jno. VENTIN, Mr James ASHLEY, Mr Jno. MELHUISE, Mr G.E. COWEN.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined, and found to be **correct**.

It was proposed by Col. SCOBELL, J.P. and Seconded by Mr James COX, that Mr Charles DOMAN be **nominated** for Parish Guardian for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr Charles DOMAN, seconded by Mr G.E. COWEN and **carried** unanimously, that Mr James COX be re-elected Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Charles GOOD of High Littleton, and Mr Robert JAMES of Hallatrow, be recommended to the Magistrates to serve the office of Overseers for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Col. SCOBELL, and seconded by Mr Jno. MELHUISE, that the Assistant Overseer's Salary be increased £2 per annum, making £16 per annum. **Carried** unanimously.

Proposed by Mr BODY, Seconded by Mr Charles DOMAN and **carried** unanimously, that another letter be written to the Highway Board with reference to the path in continuation from the Wesleyan Chapel to the Church at High Littleton.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

At a vestry meeting held on the 7th day of April (Easter Monday) 1890 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a vestry meeting will be held on Easter Monday the 7th of April 1890 at 7 o'clock in the evening at the School Room, for the purpose of passing the Churchwardens' accounts, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 22nd day of March 1890. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens."

Present: Rev'd E. STREETEN in the Chair, Messrs Charles GOOD, S.J. BODY, George BLINMAN, John VENTIN, G. HEDGES, James COX and Barton SCOBELL.

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, examined and found **correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Churchwarden by the Vicar, and Lt. Col. Barton SCOBELL by the Parish.

A rate at 1½d. in the pound was passed and **ordered** to be collected.

Mrs [Mary] BACON, the pew opener, having applied for [an] increase of salary, it was **resolved** that her salary be raised from £3 to £4 per annum.

[Sgd] Edm'd C. STREETEN, Chairman.

1st day of April 1891.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 1st day of April pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

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"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the School Room on Wednesday the 1st day of April 1891 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be submitted for examination. The Parish Guardian, and Overseers will be nominated and the Waywarden appointed for the year ensuing, and such other parochial business, as may be brought *[before]* such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

Geo. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: Mr Tho's MELHUISH in the chair, The Rev. FOSTER, Vicar, The Rev. F. STREETEN, Col. SCOBELL, Mr James COX, Churchwardens, Mr Rob't JAMES, Mr Samuel BODY, Mr Charles POW.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined, and found to be **correct**.

The Ass't Overseer stated that he had already nominated Mr Charles DOMAN for the office of Guardian, which was **confirmed** by the Vestry.

Proposed by Col. SCOBELL, seconded by Mr Rob't JAMES, that Mr James COX be **re-appointed** Waywarden for the ensuing year.

Resolved that Mr Fred'k CROSS of High Littleton, and Mr Rob't JAMES of Hallatrow, be recommended to the Magistrates as Overseers for the year ensuing.

[Sgd] Thomas MELHUISH, Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held on the 1st day of April 1891 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"High Littleton.

The Parishioners are requested to take notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Easter Wednesday the 1st of April 1891 at 2.30 p.m. at the School Room, for the purpose of passing the Church Wardens' accounts, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 21st day of March 1891. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens."

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, examined & found **correct**.

Mr James COX was **appointed** Vicar's Church warden and Lt. Col. Barton SCOBELL was **appointed** by the Parish.

A rate at 1½*[d.]* in the pound was passed & **ordered** to be collected.

The Churchwardens were **authorized** to reduce the Insurance to £3000 (three thousand pounds) at the next payment of the premium.

[Sgd] Thomas MELHUISH, Chairman.

25th day of March 1892.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 25th day of March 1892 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice

The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held in the School Room on Friday 25th day of March 1892 at 7.00 o'Clock in the Evening. The Overseers' accounts for the past year will be presented for examination. The Waywarden for the ensuing year will be appointed. The Parish Guardian, and the Overseers will be nominated, and any other Parochial business, brought before such Vestry, will be considered and disposed of.

James COX, Churchwarden, Fred. CROSS, Rob't JAMES, Overseers. Dated this 19th day of March '92."

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Mr James COX, Churchwarden, Mr S.J. BODY, Mr G. BLINMAN, Mr Jno. MELHUISH, Mr H'y HALLETT, Mr G.E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined, and found to be **correct**.

It was proposed by Mr James COX and seconded by Mr Jno. MELHUISH, that Mr Geo. BLINMAN be appointed Waywarden for the ensuing year. **Carried**.

Proposed by Mr J. MELHUISH, seconded by Mr G.E. COWEN, that Mr James COX be **nominated** to serve as Guardian for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr BODY & seconded by Mr COX that Mr Rob't JAMES and Mr Fred. CROSS be nominated as overseers for the ensuing year. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

Easter Monday, April 18th 1892.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 18th Day of April 1892 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"High Littleton.

The Parishioners are requested to take Notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Easter Monday the 18th of April 1892 at 7 o'Clock in the evening at the School Room, for the purpose of passing the

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Churchwardens' accounts, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church Rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 6th day of April 1892. Signed James COX, Barton SCOBELL, Churchwardens."

Present: Rev'd A. FOSTER, in the Chair, Mr [George] COWEN, Mr John MELHUISE, Mr John VENTIN, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr [Samuel James] BODY, Mr [Robert] JAMES, Mr [Henry] HALLETT, Mr James YOUNG, Mr DEACON [Alan DEAKIN], Mr [James] COX and Col. SCOBELL, Churchwardens.

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, Examined & found **correct**.

Lt. Col. SCOBELL was **nominated** Churchwarden by the Vicar and Mr Samuel BODY was **appointed** by the Parish.

Proposed by the Vicar & seconded by Mr JAMES That the Organist['s] salary be paid by the Churchwardens as Church Expenses. **Carried** unanimously.

Proposed by Mr COWEN & Seconded by Mr BODY, That a rate at 2d. in the pound be collected. **Carried**. [Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

At a Vestry Meeting held this thirtieth day of May 1892 pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

The Ratepayers are requested to take notice that a Vestry Meeting will D.V. be held in the School Room on Monday evening 30th May 1892, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of taking some definite steps with regard to providing a new Burial Ground for the Parish.

Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar, Barton SCOBELL, Samuel J. BODY, Churchwardens."

Present: Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, James COX, S.J. BODY, G.E. COWEN, Rob't JAMES, Tho's MELHUISE, George BLINMAN, John VENTIN, George CANTLE, Alan DEAKIN, Rich'd LAWRENCE, George CARTER, Tho's EVANS, George CLEAVES, Henry CHIVERS, Albert JAMES, H'y JAMES, James DALE, Enoch YOUNG, Arthur CHIVERS, Charles CHARD, Joseph EVANS, Albert [Albin] MAIDMENT, James CARTER, Samuel BUTLER, Jesse SMITH, Wm. SAGE, Geo. RAPPS, John CLEAVES, James EVANS, Edw'd LAMB, Roland MOON.

The Vote of the Vestry of Oct 18th 1886 "That [a] new Burial Ground is necessary" was **affirmed**.

Proposed by Mr Rob't JAMES, seconded by Mr S.J. BODY, that the resolution of the 9th July 1888 be rescinded; **carried** unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Robert JAMES, seconded by Mr Tho's EVANS, that an additional Church yard be provided under 18 & 19 Vict. Chp. 128 section 10; **carried** unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Robert JAMES, seconded by Mr COWEN, that a committee of seven persons, including the Vicar and Churchwardens, be appointed, consisting of Mr COWEN, Mr COX, Mr Tho's EVANS, Mr Robert JAMES, to obtain general information necessary to carry out the work.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

25th March 1893.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 25th day of March 1893, [pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:]

"(The) [Take] Notice that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the School room on Thursday 30 March 1893 at 7 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of Examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, nominating Overseers, and appointing [a] Waywarden for the Year Ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated this 21st March 1893. Barton SCOBELL, Samuel J. BODY, Churchwardens, Fred. CROSS, Rob't JAMES, Overseers, Geo. BLINMAN, Waywarden."

Present: Mr Alan DEAKIN in the Chair, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Waywarden, Mr James COX, Guardian, Mr Rob't JAMES, Mr Fred. CROSS, Overseers, Mr Samuel James BODY, Churchwarden, Mr Tho's EVANS, Henry CHIVERS, Albert EVANS, George EVANS, Albin MAIDMENT, Wm. BRICE, Geo. WILKINS, James EVANS, Wm. EVANS, Moses HEAL, Wm. MARTIN, Jno. MELHUISE, Albert KINGMAN, Arthur CHIVERS, Wm. SAGE, James WYATT, Alfred [Enos] FREE, Geo. WYATT, Jesse SMITH, James HOWE, Geo. BRIMBLE, Edward BRIMBLE, Jno. VENTIN, Wm. PARSONS, Edward LAMB, Jasper BIRD, Albert EVANS, [George] Enoch YOUNG, Albert JAMES, Geo. RAPPS, Alfred EVANS, Chas. CHARD, Fred. CARTER, Geo. FORD, Rev. A.M. FOSTER.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined, and found **correct**.

The following persons were nominated, and **recommended** to the Justices, viz: Henry CHIVERS and Enoch YOUNG, to serve as Overseers for the year ensuing.

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It was proposed by Mr [Robert] JAMES, seconded by Mr [James] COX, that Mr Geo. BLINMAN be elected Waywarden for the year ensuing. An amendment was proposed by Mr Henry CHIVERS, seconded by Mr Albert [Albin] MAIDMENT, that Mr Frederick CARTER be elected Waywarden in the place of Mr G. BLINMAN. Mr [Samuel James] BODY, having deman[d]ed a Poll of the Parish on behalf of Mr [George] BLINMAN, it was **decided** that Saturday the 1st April be fixed for the Poll, between the hours of 4 and 7 o'clock in the afternoon. *[The result of the Poll was not recorded in the Vestry Book.]*

It was proposed by Mr [Thomas] EVANS and seconded by Mr Enoch YOUNG, that the minute of the 25th March 1890, increasing the Ass't Overseer's Salary from £14 to £16 be **confirmed** and that he be allowed the further Sum of Six Pounds arrears for the three years from that date.

[Sgd] Alan DEAKIN, A.C.P., Chairman.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 4th day of April 1893 pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"High Littleton.

The Parish[i]oners are requested to take notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Easter Tuesday the 4th day of April 1893 at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of passing the Churchwardens' accounts, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such purposes as are by law Chargeable on the Church Rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Dated this 25th day of March 1893.

Signed Samuel James BODY, Churchwarden, Ambrose FOSTER, Vicar."

Present: Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Col. SCOBELL, Mr S.J. BODY, Churchwardens, Mr James COX, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr Tho's MELHUISH, Mr Rob't JAMES, John HOPE, Harry CHEALE, George JAMES, George CARTER, John CLEAVES, George EVANS, Jno. VENTIN, Moses HEAL, Rich'd LAWRENCE (*sic*), George CLEAVES, Fred. CARTER, Geo. WILKINS, Wm. BRICE, Henry CHIVERS, Wm. SAGE, Jesse SMITH, Edward BRIMBLE, Jno. CARTER, James TARRANT, Henry SAGE, James EVANS, Harry DURBIN, Thomas CARTER, Albert JAMES, Wm. EVANS, Joseph EVANS, Wm. DIX, Arthur CHIVERS, Edward LAMB, Jasper BIRD, Albert EVANS, Enoch YOUNG, Alfred EVANS, Chas. CHARD, Jno. HARRISON, Fred'k RYMAN, Elijah BURR, George E. COWEN, George CARTER, Hallatrow, Henry CARTER, Tho's EVANS, Harry JAMES.

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, examined and found **correct**.

Col. SCOBELL was **nominated** Churchwarden by the Vicar.

It was proposed by Mr Rob't JAMES, seconded by Mr James COX, that Mr Sam'l James BODY be re-elected by the Vestry as parish[i]oner's Warden for the Ensuing Year. It was proposed as an amendment by Mr Fred'k CARTER, and seconded by Henry CHIVERS, that Mr J. DEAKEN [*Alan DEAKIN*] be elected Churchwarden for the Ensuing year. On the original motion being put, Mr James BODY received 18 Votes. On the amendment, Mr DEAKIN received 28 Votes. Mr Rob't JAMES, having demanded a Poll of the Parish on behalf of Mr S.J. BODY, it was **decided** that Wednesday the 5th be fixed for the Poll, between the hours of 12.30 and 1.30 P.M. and 5 o'clock and 7 o'clock in the Evening.

It was proposed by Col. SCOBELL and seconded by Mr COX that a rate of 1½[d.] in the pound be collected. **Carried.**

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman. Geo. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer.

The Poll of the Parish, mentioned above, was taken, as arranged, on Wednesday April 5th /1893/ between the hours of 12.30 & 1.30 p.m. & between 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. It was presided over by Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, assisted by Mr G.E. COWEN, Assistant Overseer; Mr S.J. BODY watched the proceedings on his own behalf & Mr Thomas EVANS on behalf of Mr DEAKIN.

At the close of the Poll, the presiding officer announced that the votes recorded were: for Mr S.J. BODY eighty four, & for Mr A. DEAKIN thirty six. He therefore publicly declared that Mr Samuel James BODY was duly **elected**.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Presiding Officer.

At a Vestry Meeting held this 27th day of March 1894 pursuant to due Notice, of which the following is a Copy:

"High Littleton.

The Parishioners are requested to take Notice that a Vestry Meeting will be held on Easter Tuesday the 27th of March at 7 o'Clock in the Evening at the School room, for the purpose of passing the Churchwardens' accounts, appointing Churchwardens for the ensuing year, making a rate for such expenses as are by law chargeable on the Church rate, and for such other business as may be brought before the Vestry.

Signed Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar, Barton SCOBELL, S.J. BODY, Churchwardens. Dated this 13th day of March 1894."

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Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the Chair, Col. SCOBELL, Mr S.J. BODY, Churchwardens, Mr James COX, Mr George BLINMAN, Mr Thomas JAMES, Mr Joseph EVANS, Mr G.E. COWEN, Mr [John] HOPE, Mr Henry CHEALE, Mr [William Henry] MARTIN.

The Churchwardens' accounts were produced, examined and found **correct**.

The Vicar **nominated** Col. SCOBELL as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr Robert JAMES, and seconded by Mr James COX, that Mr Samuel James BODY be re-elected Churchwarden for the ensuing year. Mr BODY, having declined to serve, It was proposed by Mr S.J. BODY, and seconded by Col. SCOBELL, that Mr G.E. COWEN be appointed Parish Warden for the Year Ensuing. **Carried** unanimously.

It was **proposed** by Mr COWEN and seconded by Col. SCOBELL, that a rate of 2d. in the pound be made, and collected, for the ensuing year.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

29th day of March 1894.

At a Vestry Meeting held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of this Parish will be held in the School Room on Thursday the 29th day of March 1894 at 7 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of examining the Overseers' accounts for the past year, nominating their successors for the year ensuing, and for such other business as may be brought before such Vestry.

Dated 22nd March 1894. S. J. BODY, [blank], Churchwardens, Henry CHIVERS, [blank], Overseers, Geo. E. COWEN, Ass't Overseer."

Present: Mr S.J. BODY in the chair, Messrs Henry CHIVERS, Overseer, Charles CHARD, Fred. CARTER, Arthur CLEAVES, Wm. SAGE, Edward BRIMBLE, Arthur CHIVERS, G.E. COWEN, Mr Jno. MELHUIH, H. GORE.

The Overseers' accounts for the past year were examined and found to be **correct**.

The following persons were **nominated** to serve as Overseers for the ensuing year, viz: Mr Thomas MELHUIH, High Littleton, Mr Robert JAMES, Hallatrow. Mr MELHUIH was proposed by Mr Rob't JAMES and seconded by Mr Henry CHIVERS. Mr JAMES was proposed by Mr Edward BRIMBLE and seconded by Mr Arthur CLEAVES.

The Sum of Six pounds, arrears granted to the Assistant Overseer(s) at the last Annual Vestry Meeting, being disallowed by the Auditor as being an illegal charge on the Rates, It was proposed by Mr Fred'k CARTER, and seconded by Mr Wm. SAGE, and **carried** unanimously, that Mr [George E.] COWEN's Salary be fixed for one year at £22 from 25 March 1894 to 25 March 1895, and that £16 be paid him yearly after that date. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Samuel Jas. BODY, Chairman.

13th day of April 1894.

At a Meeting of the Parish[i]oners held this day pursuant to due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

The Paris[i]oners are requested to take notice that a Meeting will be held in the School Room on Friday the 13th day of April next at 7 o'clock in the Evening, for the purpose of taking into consideration the ways and means of carrying out the Enlargement to the School Buildings, rendered necessary by the requirements of the Educational Department. All Parish[i]oners are Earnestly requested to attend.

Dated this 7th day of April 1894."

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Col. SCOBELL, Mr James COX, Mr Geo. BLINMAN, Mr Wm. HEDGES, Mr Moses HEAL, Wm. PIKE, Joseph EVANS, Tho's EVANS, Charles CHARD, H'y CHIVERS, Albert JAMES, James EVANS, Jno. FORD, Arthur CHIVERS, William SAGE, Henry JAMES, H. TUCKER, S.J. BODY, J. HARRISON, Mr [W.H.] MARTIN, H. CHEALE, & J. HOPE, G.E. COWEN.

After full discussion, It was proposed by Mr COX, seconded by Mr Tho's EVANS, that this Meeting, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Friday the 4th day of May next, in order to ascertain whether the non resident Owners of property in the parish, and non resident ratepayers are willing to pay their share of the proposed Voluntary 6d. rate to meet the extraordinary expenses ordered by the Education Department. **Carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

May 4th 1894.

At the adjourned Vestry meeting held this day pursuant to notice, of which the following is a copy:

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"The Parish/*i*oners are requested to take notice that the meeting of the 13th day of April 1894 stands adjourned to Friday the 4th day of May next at 7 o'clock in the Evening, pursuant to a resolution of which the following is a copy: Resolved that this meeting, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Friday the 4th day of May next, in order to ascertain whether non resident Owners of property in the Parish, and non resident Rate payers are willing to pay their share of the proposed Voluntary 6d. rate, to meet the Extraordinary Expenses ordered by the Education Department. The Meeting will be held in the School Room.

Dated the 28th April 1894. Signed Geo. E. COWEN, [*blank*], Churchwardens."

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the Chair, Col. SCOBELL, G.E. COWEN, Churchwardens, Messrs J. MELHUISH, S.J. BODY, G. BLINMAN, C. POW, J. HEAL, J. COX, [*William Henry*] MARTIN, [*William Edwin*] PIKE, [*Charles*] CHARD, [*H.*] TUCKER, EVANS James, EVANS Joseph, [*Charles Stephen*] GOVER, Henry CHIVERS, Albert JAMES, S. BEACHIM, & some few represent[at]ives of Farmbro' & Clutton Parishes adjoining High Littleton.

The Vicar reported that he had written to all the non resident ratepayers & owners, and that only nine had replied.

A considerable discussion having taken place, and it still being considered that the meeting was not a representative one, It was proposed by Mr [*John*] MELHUISH, Seconded by Mr [*Charles*] CHARD, that the whole of the householders be asked to say what, if anything, they will give in a lump or by instalments, within twelve months; this canvas[s] to include householders outside but on the borders of the Parish, who send children to the School. **Carried** nem. con.

Mr [*George*] COWEN & Mr Jno. MELHUISH Volunteered to canvass the large rate payers in High Littleton & Hallatrow, Mr [*Henry*] CHIVERS & Thomas EVANS the Cottagers in High Littleton, Mr [*William*] PIKE the Cottagers in Hallatrow, Mr Sam. BEACHIM the Greyfield Cottages, Messrs Tho's CURTIS and George BRICE the Farmb[o]rough Cottages.

It was proposed by Mr [*Samuel J.*] BODY, seconded by Mr Joseph EVANS, that this Meeting, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Monday the 21st day of May at 7 o'clock in the Evening. **Carried** unanimously.

[*Sgd*] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

May 21st 1894.

At the adjourned Meeting held this day, pursuant to notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Parish of High Littleton.

Proposed Enlargement of the National Schools rendered necessary by the requirements of the Educational Department.

Notice is hereby given that the Meeting held on the 4th day of May last stands adjourned to Monday the 21st inst. at 7 o'clock in the evening, pursuant to the following resolution passed at the Meeting: Resolved that this Meeting, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Monday the 21st day of May next at 7 o'clock P.M. The Meeting will be held in the School Room. The Reports of the Canvass of Ratepayers, and householders in this and the adjoining portion of the Parishes of Farmb[o]rough, and Clutton, will be received and read. All Ratepayers and Parish/*i*oners are requested to attend.

Dated this 18th day of May 1894.

Signed Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar, Geo. E. COWEN, Parish/*i*oners' Warden."

Present: Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the Chair, Messrs J. COX, J. MELHUISH, Wm. HEDGES, S.J. BODY, R.V. SHERRING, Moses HEAL, Joseph EVANS, Tho's EVANS, C. CHARD, W. BRICE, James EVANS, Wm. PIKE, Mr [*William Henry*] MARTIN.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting having been read, The Chairman proceeded to read the reports of the various canvass. The Meeting, not be[*ing*] considered sufficiently representative, it was **adjourned** sine die.

[*Unsigned*], Chairman.

December 4th 1894.

Parish Councils.

At the Parish Meeting duly convened by the Overseers, according to law, Mr [*Thomas*] MELHUISH, one of the Overseers, having read the Notice convening the Meeting, It was proposed that The Rev. A.M. FOSTER should take the Chair. As an amendment it was proposed that Col. SCOBELL take the Chair. On a show of hands Mr FOSTER received Thirty two Votes, Col. SCOBELL Thirty one Votes. The Vicar was accordingly **appointed** Chairman of the Meeting.

During the prescribed time, the following nominations were handed in, and declared Valid by the Chairman, viz:

BLANNING Thomas	Hallatrow	Farmer	
BLINMAN George	High Littleton	Grocer	Withdrawn
BODY Samuel James	High Littleton	Farmer	
CHIVERS Henry	High Littleton	Coalminer	

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COX James	High Littleton	Farmer
EVANS Thomas	High Littleton	Coalminer
FREE Enos	Hallatrow	Stone Mason
SCOBELL Barton Land John	Kingwell Hall	Gentleman
WATSON Matthew	Oakden[e], H. Littleton	Colliery Manager
YOUNG Enoch	High Littleton	Coalminer
YOUNG James	High Littleton	Shoemaker

There being only 6 Seats to be filled and ten candidates proposed, The Chairman proceeded to put the Names to the Meeting in Alphabetical Order, with the following result:

<u>Name</u>	<u>No. of Votes</u>
BLANNING Thomas	34
BODY Samuel James	29
CHIVERS Henry	44
COX James	50
EVANS Thomas	47
FREE Enos	41
SCOBELL Barton Land John	36
WATSON Matthew	22
YOUNG Enoch	31
YOUNG James	20

The following were declared to be **elected** by the Chairman after an interval of ten minutes had elapsed, viz: Mr James COX, Mr Thomas EVANS, Mr Henry CHIVERS, Mr Enos FREE, Col. Barton SCOBELL, Mr Tho's BLANNING.

A Poll was subsequently demanded by Mr George EVANS on behalf of the Messrs YOUNG but he was informed by the Chairman that he was too late.

A Vote of thanks to the Chairman was proposed, and unanimously **carried**, and the Meeting closed.

About 70 Parochial Electors were present.

[*Unsigned*], Chairman.

Draft minutes of the first three Meetings of the Parish Council follow in the Vestry Book. The final signed versions appear in the first Parish Council Minute Book, so have not been included here.

April 15th 1895.

At the Easter Monday Vestry Meeting held this day, Pursuant to due Notice,

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Mr James COX, Mr S.J. BODY, Mr G.E. COWEN.

The Churchwardens' accounts were examined and **found to be correct**.

The Chairman stated that Col. SCOBELL had resigned his position as Vicar's Warden, and he **named** Mr COX as his Warden for the ensuing year.

Mr S.J. BODY proposed and Mr COX seconded that Mr G.E. COWEN be appointed Parish[i]oners' warden for the ensuing year. **Carried** nem. con.

It was **proposed** by Mr BODY, seconded by Mr COX that a Rate of two pence in the Pound be made and collected for the ensuing year. **Carried**.

It was proposed by Mr COWEN and seconded by Mr COX that Mary BACON's Salary be increased £1 per annum from £5 to £6. **Carried** unanimously.

[*Sgd*] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

April 14th 1896.

At the Adjourned [*no Minutes found for Meeting adjourned*] Vestry Meeting for the Easter Monday, held on the 14th inst.

Present: The Rev. A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Lt. Col. MONCKTON, Mr S.J. BODY, Mr HOPE, Mr W. MELHUIH, Mr TUCKER, Mr Jas. BACON, Mr G.E. COWEN.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & the Churchwardens' acc'ts examined & **passed**.

The Vicar **nominated** Mr John MELHUIH as his warden.

Mr Wm. MELHUIH proposed and Lt. Col. MONCKTON seconded that Mr G.E. COWEN be requested to again stand as Parish Warden for the ensuing year. Mr COWEN consented to accept office for the next year and the proposition was **carried** unanimously.

The question of the burials (from outside the Parish) in the new burying ground having been discussed, This Vestry meeting requests the Vicar to charge the usual fee of one guinea in every Case of a non parish[i]oner being brought for burial, and it was unanimously **resolved** that this be recorded in the minutes.

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[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman. Ap. 14th 1896.

Nov. 9th 1896.

At a Vestry meeting held in the School room this day after due notice,

Present: the Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the Chair, Mr HOPE, Mr H'y TUCKER, Mr H'y CHIVERS, Mr James BACON, Mr HAYES, Mr Joseph EVANS, Mr H'y TAYLOR, Mr Jacob JAMES, Mr Cyril WYATT, Mr Fred. RYMAN, Mr Wm. SAGE.

It was pointed out that, owing to the death of Mr G.E. COWEN, late Parish Churchwarden, it became desirable to appoint a successor. It was proposed by Mr H'y CHIVERS, seconded by Mr H'y TAYLOR, supported by Mr James BACON and **carried** unanimously that Lt. Col. W.P. MONCKTON be Parish Churchwarden for the remainder of the current year, Col. MONCKTON consenting to act.

Mem. It was found that the resolution carried at the adjourned Easter Vestry, that the rate for this year be 2d. in the £, was omitted from the minutes of that meeting, and agreed that this be **confirmed** and entered in these minutes accordingly.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

April 19th 1897.

At the Annual Vestry meeting held this day in the Schoolroom after due notice,

The minutes of the last meeting were read and **approved**.

The [Churchwardens'] accounts showing a balance of £3. 9. 3 in hand were examined, read and **approved**.

Account of general offertories read by Vicar.

The Vicar **named** Mr John MELHUISH as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year.

Mr S.J. BODY proposed and Mr Wm. MELHUISH seconded the appointment of Lt. Col. Wm. Parry MONCKTON as Parish Churchwarden for the ensuing year; **carried** unanimously, Colonel MONCKTON consenting to act.

The Organist Mr J[ames] TUCKER explained what was required to be added to the organ to bring it up to full efficiency, stating that there was sufficient space for the desired additions in present Organ loft, without any structural alterations to present building, and that the lowest estimated cost was ninety five pounds. After full consideration it was found that the feeling of the meeting was that it was very desirable to have the increased efficiency, but not at present practicable, and that the subject should be put on the agenda for the next Vestry meeting.

The question of draining water from the well of the heating apparatus was then gone into, and a plan and estimate, which had been prepared by Mr M. WATSON, was submitted, shewing that 32 ft. of Boring, besides excavating, digging trench, providing piping, labo[u]r etc. would be required to carry the water off through the yard and roadway of High Littleton House to the field below, and that the cost would be from ten to twelve pounds. It was proposed by Mr S.J. BODY, seconded by Mr HAYES and **carried** unanimously, that the matter be left in the hands of the Vicar and Churchwardens.

It was proposed by Col. MONCKTON, seconded by Mr S.J. BODY and **carried** unanimously, that a voluntary rate of 2d. in the £ be made for the year 1897-8.

It was **agreed** that, in connection with the sixty years of Her Majesty's (Queen Victoria's) reign, and the special effort being put forth in commemoration thereof, to augment the Clergy Sustentation Fund, that collections be made at the morning and evening services in Church on Sunday 20th June in aid of the Diocesan Branch of that fund.

It was **agreed** that Churchwardens should arrange for repairs to Pinnacles etc. on Church and Tower, also for keeping shuting, snowboxes etc. cleaned out.

It was proposed by Col. MONCKTON, seconded by Mr HAYES and **carried** unanimously, that the best thanks of the meeting be accorded to Mr WATSON for his great kindness in preparing plans and estimate for dealing with water. The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

High Littleton, April 12th 1898.

At the annual Vestry meeting held this day in the Schoolroom, after due notice, The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER presiding,

The minutes of the last meeting were read and **approved**.

The [Churchwardens'] accounts, showing a balance of £9. 6. 9 in hand, were examined, read out to the meeting and **passed**, on the proposal of Mr S.J. BODY, seconded by Mr W.H. MARTIN.

The Vicar **nominated** Mr John MELHUISH as his Churchwarden. Mr BODY expressed the thanks of the meeting to Colonel MONCKTON for his services during the past year, and regrets that he is leaving the Parish;

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this was cordially endorsed by the meeting. Mr BODY proposed and Colonel MONCKTON seconded that Alfred EVANS Esq. be Parish Churchwarden for *[the]* ensuing year; **carried** unanimously.

Enlargement of Organ - Mr James TUCKER, the Organist, reported that he had got a large proportion, practically the whole, of the estimated cost required for this purpose promised, Alfred EVANS Esq. guaranteeing the deficiency previously existing. Colonel MONCKTON proposed "That Mr TUCKER, having reported that he had received promises of considerable help towards the enlargement of the Organ, A Committee consisting of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Organist be appointed to take necessary steps to further the matter". This was seconded by Mr BODY and **carried** unanimously.

Mr James TUCKER proposed "that a hearty vote of thanks be given to Alfred EVANS Esq., for the very material help and assistance he has given in support of our Organ enlargement Scheme, by generously guaranteeing the sum required to make up the estimated cost". This was seconded by Mr HAYES and **carried** unanimously.

A General discussion then took place as to provision of light for Organ, Pumping water from Well of heating apparatus, Additional entrance to Churchyard etc. but no resolution was moved on these matters. The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

Friday April 29th 1898.

At a Vestry meeting held this day after due notice,

The minutes of the last meeting were read, **approved** and signed, The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER presiding.

A letter from Alfred EVANS Esq. was read, in which he expressed his appreciation of the vote of the last Vestry meeting, whereby he was elected Parish Churchwarden, but regretted that his other duties compelled him to decline the office. It was therefore proposed by Colonel MONCKTON that Mr S.J. BODY be Parish Churchwarden for the current year. Mr BODY, having expressed his desire to see current work carried out, notably an entrance to *[the]* Churchyard from the Littleton side, and a wish that he may have the support of the Parish, his nomination was seconded by Mr Henry TAYLOR; the proposition was put to the meeting and **carried** without opposition.

Voluntary Rate. It was proposed by Colonel MONCKTON, seconded by Mr Wm. SAGE and **carried** unanimously, that a rate of 2d. in the £ be asked for.

Entrance to Churchyard. It was proposed by Colonel MONCKTON, That, as it is thought desirable to make an entrance to Churchyard from the Littleton side, the Vicar and Churchwardens obtain information as to what can be legally done, & estimated cost, and, if the matter can be carried out, to call a meeting to further the same. This was seconded by Mr Henry TAYLOR and **carried** unanimously.

Organ. It was proposed by Mr James TUCKER, seconded by Mr Wm. SAGE & **carried** unanimously, that Alfred EVANS Esq. & Colonel MONCKTON be added to Committee. The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 16th September 1898.

At a Vestry meeting held in the Schoolroom this day, after due notice, of which the following is a copy:

"Notice.

A Vestry meeting will be held in the Schoolroom on Friday next September 16th 1898 at 7 o'clock in the evening, to consider the desirability of making an entrance to the Churchyard from the Village side.

Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar, Jno. MELHUISE, S.J. BODY, Churchwardens.

High Littleton, 10th September 1898."

The Vicar presided, present: S.J. BODY & Jno. MELHUISE, Churchwardens, Messrs J. BACON, Arthur CHIVERS, -- ISGAR, Jacob JAMES, F. RYMAN, Wm. SAGE, H'y TAYLOR, H'y TUCKER.

Notice of meeting read, Minutes of last meeting read, **approved** and signed.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr James BACON, That, in the opinion of this meeting, an additional entrance to Churchyard from the Village side is desirable and that the Vicar & Churchwardens be, and are, hereby authorised to apply for a Faculty, obtain estimates as to cost, also particulars as to best plan to adopt, and report to a further meeting. After full and free discussion of the matter, this was seconded by Mr Fred RYMAN, and **carried** unanimously.

The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 2nd Dec'r 1898.

At a Vestry meeting held in the School Room this day, after due notice.

Present: the Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, in the Chair, Messrs S.J. BODY and John MELHUISE, Churchwardens, James BACON, Henry FORD, Jacob JAMES, Edm'd BODY and Wm. MELHUISE.

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Minutes of last meeting were read and **signed**.

Plan and estimate, prepared by Mr Claude WATSON, for additional entrance to Churchyard, was submitted. Churchwardens reported that promises of subscriptions amounting to about eleven pounds (£11) had been received. It was proposed by Mr John MELHUISH, seconded by Mr James BACON, that, in view of the small attendance, the meeting be adjourned; **carried** unanimously.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 14th February 1899.

Proposed additional entrance to Churchyard.

At an adjourned Vestry meeting held in the Schoolroom this day, after due notice,

The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER in the chair, present: Mr S.J. BODY & J. MELHUISH, Churchwardens, and others.

Minutes of last meeting were read and **signed**.

It was proposed by Mr S.J. BODY, seconded by the Rev'd A.M. FOSTER and **carried** unanimously, that Mr Fred RYMAN and Mr Henry TAYLOR, having kindly consented to canvas the Parish for subscriptions towards the cost of the above object, they be authorised to do so, and that the meeting be adjourned to 28th Inst. at 7 o'clock, to receive their report and to decide on next step to be taken.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 28th February 1899.

Proposed additional entrance to Churchyard.

At an adjourned meeting held this day in the Schoolroom after due notice,

Present: the Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the chair, Messrs S.J. BODY & John MELHUISH, Churchwardens, Henry FORD, J. GRANT, F. RYMAN, Henry TAYLOR, J. BACON, Wm. SAGE, George EVANS, Gilbert CLEAVES, E.J. HAYES, Wm. DIX and Charles BODY.

Notice of meeting read, Minutes of last meeting read and **confirmed**.

Plan submitted and explained, Vicar explained object, and mode of procedure. It was proposed by Mr BODY, seconded by Mr E.J. HAYES, that Plan as submitted be approved and adopted; **carried** unanimously.

Estimate read, Collector's book received, showing promises and subscriptions from 97 subscribers amounting to £29. 1. 0, £12.11. 6 of which had been obtained by Messrs RYMAN & TAYLOR. It was proposed by Mr J. MELHUISH, seconded by Mr S.J. BODY & **carried** unanimously, that a Faculty be applied for forthwith.

Mr MELHUISH proposed and Mr J. GRANT seconded that the best thanks of the meeting be tendered to Messrs RYMAN & TAYLOR for their successful efforts to obtain funds for the object in view; this was supported by the Vicar and **carried** unanimously.

Mr Gilbert CLEAVES suggested that, when the time came for proceeding with the work, a Committee be formed for that purpose; this suggestion being generally **approved**. The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 4th April 1899.

Annual Easter Vestry.

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the chair, S.J. BODY & John MELHUISH, Churchwardens, Messrs James COX, H'y CHIVERS, Gilbert CLEAVES, Edm'd BODY, Samuel BODY, Charles BODY, James BACON, J. HOPE, Jacob JAMES, W.H. MARTIN, Fred RYMAN & Herbert TUCKER.

Notice of meeting read, Minutes of last meeting read and **signed**.

[Churchwardens'] Accounts read out to meeting, Examined by Mr MARTIN. Proposed by Mr COX, seconded by Mr H'y CHIVERS and **carried** unanimously, that accounts be passed.

Mr BACON applied for an increased allowance for pumping water from Well of heating apparatus; also on behalf of Mrs BACON for an increased salary as Caretaker, Cleaner etc. of Church. It was proposed by Rev'd A.M. FOSTER and seconded by Mr S.J. BODY, that salary of caretaker of Church, cleaning, Lighting etc. be increased from £6 to £7.10. 0 p. year, and that the allowance for pumping be increased 10/- p. year to £1 p. year; **carried** unanimously.

The Vicar appointed Mr John MELHUISH as his Churchwarden. Mr Henry CHIVERS proposed and Mr Herbert TUCKER seconded Mr S.J. BODY as Parishioners' Churchwarden; **carried** unanimously.

Rate. Mr John MELHUISH proposed that making of a rate be postponed for the present, seconded by Mr James COX and **carried** unanimously.

The Vicar read out the summary of offertories for all purposes, collected during the past year, showing a total of £86. 1.10¾.

The Vicar also mentioned that the enlargement of Organ was in progress and that it was hoped the work would be complete and the instrument available for the services on the 16th Inst. He also read a letter from the Bishop

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advocating the Queen Victoria Clergy Sustentation Fund and suggesting that, on Sunday 18th June, collections should be made on behalf of the fund. **Agreed.**

A general discussion then took place as to the appointment of sidesmen, Means for draining water from well of heating apparatus without the necessity of pumping, The inefficiency of the present system of heating and the desirability of substituting hot water for the present hot air method, Probable cost etc., Pews, Pew rents etc. The meeting then rose without any proposition on these matters.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 28th April 1899.

Additional entrance to Churchyard.

A Vestry meeting held this day after due notice.

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, presiding, Messrs S.J. BODY and John MELHUIISH, Churchwardens, Messrs Gilbert CLEAVES, J. GRANT, Ch. BODY, F. RYMAN, W.H. MARTIN and Henry TAYLOR.

It was proposed by Mr S.J. BODY, seconded by Mr MARTIN and **carried** unanimously, That the Vicar and Churchwardens and Messrs RYMAN and TAYLOR be appointed a committee to carry out the above work. A general discussion then followed as to Gate, Walls etc. but, no further proposition following, the meeting ended.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

High Littleton, 17th April 1900.

Annual Easter Vestry meeting.

As a Vestry meeting held this day in the schoolroom, after due notice,

The following being present, namely, The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, presiding, Messrs S.J. BODY & John MELHUIISH, Churchwardens, Messrs [Charles Adams] KEMBLE, [W.H.] MARTIN & [Henry] POLLETT,

Minutes of last meeting were read & **signed**.

Account of Receipts & expenditure for the past year, together with Vouchers, were presented and examined by Messrs KEMBLE & MARTIN and **found correct**, there being a balance in hand of £4. 5. 8½.

The Vicar **named** C.A. KEMBLE Esq. as his Churchwarden for the present year.

Mr KEMBLE proposed and Mr POLLETT seconded, that Mr BODY be Parish Ch'warden for the year. Mr BODY suggested Mr POLLETT but, this finding no seconder, Mr BODY was declared **elected**.

The Vicar gave an account of the various offertories in Church during the past year, for Church expenses, sick & poor and other funds, amounting together to 120. 7. 9¾.

A discussion ensued as to making of Voluntary rate, but it was resolved not to make a rate at present, but offertories to be collected as before.

Insurance. The Church, Building, Organ, Windows & furniture are at present insured in various amounts totalling £3,000, and the feeling of the meeting seemed to be that this is not sufficient. The Vicar therefore proposed that it be increased to £4,000; this was seconded by Mr KEMBLE, and **agreed** to.

The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

1900 & 1901. High Littleton Church Vestry Meeting.

Held in the Schoolroom on 8th day of April 1901 at 6.30 p.m.

Present: The Vicar (Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, M.A.) in the Chair, C.A. KEMBLE Esq'r, J.P., Captain LORAIN-GREWS, J.P., Messrs S.J. BODY, E.J. HAYES, H. JEFFERIES, H. POLLETT & C. BODY.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, the minutes of the last (Easter) Vestry meeting 1900 were read & **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts for the past year were then put forward, examined by Messrs C.A. KEMBLE & Captain [Robert Alfred] LORAIN-GREWS, found correct & **passed**, the position of accounts stood:

	£	s	d.
Balance in Hand for 1899/1900	4.	5.	8½
Collected in Church for Church expenses (This being the only way the necessary funds were obtained during the year)	52.	14.	5½
	57.	0.	2
Expenditure during the year	52.	7.	6
	£4.	12.	8

Election of Churchwardens.

Vicar's. The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to kindly act again as his Churchwarden; to this Mr KEMBLE **consented**.

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Parish. Mr H'y POLLETT then proposed that the retiring Parish Warden be re-elected. Mr BODY wished to withdraw from the Office but, at the request of those present, decided to again act as Parish Church-warden for the ensuing year. The proposition was seconded by Mr KEMBLE & **carried**.

Election of Sidesman. It was the feeling of those present that some persons should be appointed as Sidesmen, to assist in the carrying out of the work connected with the Church & also to form a Church Council.

Mr HAYES proposed that there should be at least 4 four appointed; this was seconded by Capt'n LORAIN-GREWS & carried and it was also **agreed** that the Sidesmen should be appointed jointly.

Mr H'y JEFFERIES was proposed by Mr KEMBLE, seconded by Mr POLLETT.

Mr R. LAWRENCE do. The Vicar & S. J. BODY

Capt'n LORAIN-GREWS do. Mr H. POLLETT & Mr S.J. BODY

Mr W. MELHUISH do. Mr H. JEFFERIES & Mr E.J. HAYES

The Vicar then gave a statement of the amounts collected in Church during the year ending Easter Sunday 1901. The total amount collected amounted to £115. 4. 6¼, this amount being a little less than the previous year. The Church expenses collections however showed an increase of £15. 4. 6¼ over 1899/1900, this being the first year during which collections have been made at every service (The last Sunday in each Month & also every other service, when not for other purposes, being devoted solely to Church expenses).

It was proposed by Captain LORAIN-GREWS "That, as the experiment of collecting the required funds in Church had proved successful(l), the same means be continued for obtaining the money for Church expenses as in the past year." This was seconded by Mr H. JEFFERIES & **carried**.

The question of Heating the Church was spoken of but nothing was decided upon.

Mr KEMBLE spoke of an allowance of 5s.-d. (per ann.) being made to the Church Cleaner for extraordinary cleaning of the inside walls of the Church. The meeting **decided** that it be left to the Churchwardens to settle the matter & pay the amount if it was in their opinion an item which should be paid extra to the amount already paid for Cleaning the Church.

Organ-blower's salary to be 15/- per annum as before.

A Vote of thanks was proposed by Mr KEMBLE to the Vicar for taking the chair; this was seconded by Capt'n LORAIN-GREWS & the meeting terminated.

Signed, Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

[Footnote] Copied from A/c book. CB.

1901/1902. High Littleton Church Vestry Meeting.

Held in the Schoolroom on 1st day of April 1902 at 6.30 P.M.

Present: The Vicar, Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Chairman, C.A. KEMBLE Esq. J.P., Cap'n LORAIN-GREWS, J.P., Messrs S.J. BODY, A. COX, H'y JEFFERIES, H. FORD, S. BODY, C. BODY, F. RYMAN, W. MELHUISH, W. LEE, Jas. TUCKER.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, the minutes of the last Easter 1901 meeting were read & **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were put forward, examined, found correct & **passed**; the position of these accounts stood:

	£. s. d.
Balance from 1900/1901	4.12. 8¼
Collected in Church	67. 9. 5¼
	72. 2. 1½
Expenditure 1901/1902	52.15. 1
Balance in Hand	£19. 7. 0½

The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to again act as his Church Warden. Mr KEMBLE consented to this & was duly **appointed**.

Mr S.J. BODY proposed Mr Arthur COX as Parish Church warden; this was seconded by Mr H'y JEFFERIES & **carried**.

Five Sidesmen were **appointed**: Messrs S.J. BODY, Wm. SAGE, Captain LORAIN-GREWS, H'y JEFFERIES, R. LAWRENCE.

Mr KEMBLE **proposed** that the same means be continued for obtaining the Church expenses as in the past year; seconded by Mr S.J. BODY.

Heating Apparatus. After a lengthy discussion it was proposed by Mr M. LEE & seconded by Mr KEMBLE that, "The matter be left to the Vicar, Churchwardens & Sidesmen for further consideration."

The question of training the Choir was mentioned by Mr S.J. BODY, & it was the general feeling of those present that a professional man might be engaged for a short time, to give the Choir a little training.

The meeting decided that the matter be further mentioned at the next meeting of Churchwardens & Sidesmen to be held to consider the Church Heating apparatus.

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The total amount Collected in the Church during the year ending Easter Sunday '02 was £127.12. 9¼, being an increase of £12. 8. 3 over '00/'01.

A Vote of thanks was proposed by Mr W. MELHUSH to the Vicar for presiding; this was seconded by Mr C.A. KEMBLE & the meeting terminated. CB.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar & Chairman.

1902/1903. High Littleton Church Vestry Meeting.

Held in the School-room on 14th day of April 1903 at 7 p.m.

Present: The Vicar, Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Chairman, C.A. KEMBLE Esq. J.P., Capt. LORAIN-GREWS J.P., Messrs S.J. BODY, H'y JEFFERIES, Wm. SAGE, H'y POLLETT, W.H. MARTIN, C. BODY, A. COX.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, the minutes of the last Easter meeting were read and **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts for the past year were put forward, examined and **passed**.

The position of these accounts stood:

	£.	s.	d.
Balance from 1901/1902	19.	7.	0½
Collected in Church	59.	2.	2
	78.	9.	2½
Expenditure 1902/1903	55.	1.	6½
Balance in Hand	£23.	7.	8

The vicar read the Offertories for the past year, which amounted to £124. 2. 4.

Mr KEMBLE **consented** to again act as Vicar's Churchwarden.

Mr S.J. BODY proposed Mr A. COX as Parish Churchwarden; this was seconded by Mr H'y POLLETT and **carried**.

Mr POLLETT proposed that the same Sidesmen stand again; this was seconded by Mr MARTIN and **carried** unanimously.

Sidesmen: Messrs S.J. BODY, Cap. LORAIN-GREWS, H'y JEFFERIES, R. LAWRENCE, Wm. SAGE.

Heating Apparatus. Mr KEMBLE thinks 60° or 70° of heat too much. Mr BODY **proposed** that the Churchwardens see to mending the heating apparatus; Mr JEFFERIES seconded.

Training of Choir. Remarks were made with regard to training the Choir, but the matter was allowed to drop.

Lighting. Mr JEFFERIES brought forward the matter of lighting. It was the general feeling of those present that the Church was badly lighted. Mr BODY proposed that the matter of lighting be left to the Churchwardens. Mr POLLETT seconded and *[it was]* **carried**.

The meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

High Littleton Church Easter Vestry Meeting.

Held in the School-room on Tuesday April 5th 1904 at 7 p.m.

Present: The Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, in the Chair, C.A. KEMBLE Esq. J.P., Messrs S.J. BODY, H. JEFFERIES, W. SAGE, W.H. MARTIN, S. BODY and A. COX.

The Meeting was opened by the Vicar with Prayer. The notice convening the meeting was then read and the minutes of the previous Easter meeting read and **confirmed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were presented, examined and **passed** The position of these accounts stood as follows:

Bal. from 1903	£23.	7.	8
Collected in Church	53.	7.	5
Donations Received towards Lamps	3.	0.	0
Sale of Old Lamps, 5 at 5/- each	1.	5.	0
Total	81.	0.	1
Expenditure from Easter 1903 to 1904	67.	8.	4½
Balance in Hand	13.11.	8½	

The total amount of Offertories for the past year was £116. 0. 9; this was £8. 1. 7 less than 1902/1903.

The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to again act as his Churchwarden; Mr KEMBLE consented to this and was duly **appointed**.

Mr JEFFERIES proposed Mr A. COX as Parish Churchwarden for the ensuing year; this was seconded by Mr S.J. BODY and **carried**.

Mr KEMBLE proposed that the same Sidesmen as last year be again elected; this was seconded by Mr MARTIN and **carried** unanimously.

Sidesmen: Messrs S.J. BODY, H. JEFFERIES, R. LAWRENCE, W. SAGE.

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Lighting. The Vicar thinks that a Corona in the centre of the Chancel would be an improvement on the present lamps; after some discussion it was generally thought that this would answer very well.

Seats. After some discussion with respect to Seats, the Vicar thought that Churchwardens and Sidesmen would make people feel more comfortable if they welcomed strangers and showed them into seats.

The Meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

High Littleton, 7th November 1904.

At a Vestry Meeting held in the School-room this day, after due notice,

The Vicar presided, Present: C.A. KEMBLE Esq., Messrs S.J. BODY, H. JEFFERIES, R. LAWRENCE, W. SAGE, H'y TAYLOR, F. RYMAN, Jas. BACON, A. DURBIN, T. CRANK, Joseph CARTER, T. CARTER, A. COX and others.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and **signed**.

The Vicar explained [*the*] object [*of the meeting*] and read the report of Mr John SULLY on the condition of the Bells and framework. Two Estimates prepared by Mr SULLY were submitted.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr KEMBLE, "That the Parishioners of High Littleton, assembled at this Vestry, having heard that the Bell-cage in the Church tower is in such a condition that it is no longer safe to ring the Bells, approve the proposal that a new Bell-cage should be constructed in the tower for six Bells, that the three old Bells should be refitted and re-hung." This was seconded by Mr BODY.

An amendment was proposed by Mr H'y TAYLOR "That three new Bells should be added." This was seconded by Mr T. CRANK and **carried** unanimously.

Mr KEMBLE proposed that the work be entrusted with Mr SULLY; this was seconded by Mr BODY and **carried** unanimously.

The Meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton, 5th December 1904.

Proposed Additional Bells.

At a Vestry Meeting held in the School-room this day, after due notice, The Vicar, Rev. A.M. FOSTER presided,

Present: C.A. KEMBLE Esq., Messrs S.J. BODY, H. JEFFERIES, R. LAWRENCE, W. SAGE, H. POLLETT, H. TAYLOR, F. RYMAN and A. COX.

The notice convening the meeting was read. The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and **signed**.

The Vicar reported the present amount subscribed and promised was about £166, £30.19/- of which had been obtained by Messrs TAYLOR and RYMAN from 184 Subscribers.

A letter was read from Col. SCOBELL suggesting that the Church Tower should be examined by a competent person, to report if the structure was strong enough to receive the proposed additional bells; after a short discussion, it was **agreed** that an expert opinion be obtained as to the stability of the Church Tower.

The following resolution was then proposed by The Vicar, "That Mr SULL(E)Y's Estimate be accepted, and that a Faculty be applied for and the work proce[e]ded with." This was seconded by Mr POLLETT and **carried** unanimously.

The Meeting then closed.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton Church Easter Vestry Meeting.

Held in the School-room on Monday Ap'l. 24th 1905.

Present: The Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, Chairman, C.A. KEMBLE Esq., Messrs S.J. BODY, James TUCKER, T. CRANK, J. BACON and A. COX.

The notice convening the meeting was read; the minutes of the last meeting were read & **confirmed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were presented, examined and found **correct**. The position of these accounts stood:

Bal. in hand from 1904	£13.11. 8½
Collected in Church	£63.14. 1½
making a total	77. 5.10
Expenditure from Easter 1904 to Easter 1905	59. 7. 3½
Balance in hand	17.18. 6½

The Vicar read the amount of collections in Church from Easter 1904 to 5, making a total of £123. 4.10, being an increase of £7. 4. 1 on the preceding year.

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Mr KEMBLE **consented** to again act as Vicar's Churchwarden. Mr BODY proposed Mr A. COX as Parish Churchwarden; this was seconded by Mr CRANK and **carried**.

Mr KEMBLE proposed that Messrs R. LAWRENCE, W. SAGE, C. WYATT and E.J. HAYES be elected Sidesmen; this was seconded by Mr BODY and **carried** unan'ly.

Some discussion took place with regard to the new roof on the Tower, and it was unanimously **agreed** that the balance in hand from Church Expenses Go towards defraying the cost.

Mr [James] BACON asked on behalf of Mrs [Mary] BACON for an increase of Salary, and the request was left for the consideration of the Churchwardens.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER.

High Littleton Church Easter Vestry Meeting.

Held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday April 17th 1906.

Present: The Rev'd A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, Chairman, C.A. KEMBLE Esq., Messrs S.J. BODY, H. POLLETT, E.J. HAYES, W. SAGE, C. BODY, [Richard] J[oseph] LAWRENCE, W.H. MARTIN and A. COX.

The notice convening the meeting was read. The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved & **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts for current Church expenses were read and examined. Mr BODY proposed and Mr HAYES seconded that accounts be **passed**.

The balance of £17.18. 6½ in hand Easter 1905 was handed over to Tower Fund. The amount of Church Collections for current expenses from Easter 1905 to Easter 1906 amounted to £62.18. 8 and the expenditure to £58.15. 7, leaving a balance in hand of £4. 3. 1.

The Bell account was read, and it was proposed by Mr BODY and seconded by Mr POLLETT, That balance sheet of Bell Fund be printed, together with a list of subscriptions and a copy sent to each Subscriber. **Carried** unanimously.

The Tower Fund account with list of subscriptions was read. The Vicar expressed gratitude to the Churchwardens for good work done during the year.

The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to again act as his Churchwarden; to this Mr KEMBLE consented and was duly **appointed**. Mr BODY proposed that Mr COX be re-elected Parish Churchwarden; this was seconded by Mr HAYES. **Carried** unanimously.

Mr POLLETT proposed and Mr KEMBLE seconded, that the four Sidesmen be re-elected, namely Mr E.J. HAYES, Mr R. LAWRENCE, Mr W. SAGE and Mr C. WYATT. **Carried** unanimously.

The Vicar read statement of Church Collections; these amounted during the year to £144. 3. 8.

Mr KEMBLE proposed and Mr BODY seconded, that a special vote of thanks be tendered to Mr H. TAYLOR, Mr F. RYMAN and Mr J.R. ADAMS for their successful efforts in collecting Funds towards cost of New Bells, and to Mr [William] SAGE for voluntary work, also to Mrs [Eleanor Anne] HAYES [of High Littleton House] for her gift of Chiming Apparatus; this was supported by the Vicar and **carried** unanimously.

The Meeting then terminated.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Vicar.

High Littleton Easter Vestry Meeting.

Held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday April 2nd 1907.

Present: The Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, Chairman, C.A. KEMBLE Esq., Messrs S.J. BODY, E.J. HAYES, T. CRANK, C. CHARD and A. COX.

The notice convening the Meeting was read. The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved & **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were read & examined. Mr BODY proposed and Mr HAYES seconded That these accounts be **signed**.

The amount collected in Church for current expenses from Easter 1906 to Easter 1907 amounted to £62. 0. 4½, leaving a balance in hand of £18. 9. 2.

The Vicar read a Summary of Church Collections for the year, the total amount being £125.16.11.

The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to again act as his Churchwarden; to this Mr KEMBLE consented and was duly **appointed**. Mr BODY proposed & Mr CHARD seconded that Mr COX be **re-elected** Churchwarden for the Parish.

The Vicar proposed that Mr E.J. HAYES, Mr R. LAWRENCE and Mr W. SAGE be re-elected Sidesmen; this was seconded by Mr KEMBLE and **carried** unanimously. Mr BODY proposed and Mr CRANK seconded that Mr R.J. LAWRENCE be elected Sidesman. **Carried** unanimously.

Mr CRANK proposed and Mr HAYES seconded that Mr Alfred CHARLES be elected Sidesman. **Carried** unanimously.

Some discussion followed as to the heating of the Church, but nothing definite was arrived at.

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Mr BODY **proposed** a vote of thanks to The Vicar for presiding; this was seconded by Mr KEMBLE and the Meeting terminated.

[Sgd] Ambrose M. FOSTER, Chairman.

High Littleton Easter Vestry Meeting.

Held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday April 21st 1908.

Present: The Rev. A.M. FOSTER, Vicar, Chairman, Messrs S.J. BODY, A. COX, T. CRANK, H. DANDO, B. FORD, E.J. HAYES, R.J. LAWRENCE, W.H. MARTIN, C.C. ROBERTS, F. RYMAN, W. SAGE and H.G. TUCKER.

The Vicar read the Notice convening the Meeting.

Mr COX read *[the]* minutes of the last Meeting. Mr BODY proposed and Mr HAYES seconded that minutes as read be **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were read, examined and found correct. Mr ROBERTS proposed and Mr R.J. LAWRENCE seconded that these accounts be passed. **Carried** unanimously.

A Summary of Collections in Church during the past year was read by the Vicar. The total amount being £131. 9. 6½.

The Vicar **nominated** Mr KEMBLE as his Warden. Mr BODY **proposed** and Mr CRANK seconded that Mr COX be Parish Warden.

Mr RYMAN proposed and Mr COX seconded that Messrs E.J. HAYES, R. LAWRENCE and W. SAGE be re-elected Sidesmen. **Carried** unanimously.

Mr BODY proposed and Mr HAYES seconded that Mr ROBERTS be a Sidesman. **Carried** unanimously.

The Vicar then explained at some length (*sic*) the reason for asking for a Faculty for moving the Font and for the erection of a Screen across the Tower Arch, showing plans of suggested alterations. Several members having spoken in favour of these alterations, Mr COX **proposed** and Mr HAYES seconded, That a Petition be sent to the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, praying that a Faculty may be granted.

1st - For the removal of the Font from its present position under the Tower Arch, to a new prepared position at the West end of the North Aisle.

2nd - For the erection of a Wooden Screen across the Tower Arch, to shut off the Ringing Chamber from the Nave, and to form a Choir Vestry, in accordance with plans prepared by Mr W.J. WILLCOX of Bath, the Architect of the Church.

Some discussion followed with regard to a Surpliced Choir. Most of those present spoke in favour of Surplices. Mr HAYES resolved, "That, in the opinion of this Vestry, the time has arrived when the Choir should be provided with Cassocks and Surplices." Mr SAGE seconded. **Carried** unanimously.

A vote of condolence with Mr KEMBLE, who was absent through severe illness, was **passed** unanimously.

Mr BODY **proposed** a vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, Mr ROBERTS seconded and the Meeting then terminated.

[Sgd] C.H. BRADBURN.

High Littleton Easter Vestry Meeting, held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday April 13th 1909, after due notice.

Present: The Rev'd C.H. BRADBURN, Vicar, Chairman, Messrs C.A. KEMBLE and A. COX, Churchwardens, Messrs E.J. HAYES, R. LAWRENCE, R.J. LAWRENCE, C.C. ROBERTS, Sidesmen, Messrs S.J. BODY, E. BODY, J. BACON, T. DIX, G. DANDO, A.J. EVANS, J. EVANS, H. GORE, J. HOPE, F.J. RYMAN, H. TAYLOR, H.G. TUCKER and twelve Ladies, members of the congregation.

The Vicar read the Notice convening the Meeting.

Mr COX read the minutes of the last Meeting. Mr BODY proposed and Mr HAYES seconded that the minutes as read be **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were read, examined and found correct. Mr BODY proposed and Mr ROBERTS seconded that the accounts be **passed**.

A Summary of Church Collections from Easter 1908 to Easter 1909 was read by The Vicar, showing a total for all purposes of £124. 6.11½.

The Vicar **nominated** Mr KEMBLE as his Warden.

Mr BODY **proposed** and Mr HAYES seconded that Mr COX be Parish Warden.

Mr COX proposed and Mr KEMBLE seconded that the Sidesmen be **re-elected**, viz: Messrs E.J. HAYES, R. LAWRENCE, R.J. LAWRENCE, C.C. ROBERTS & W. SAGE.

Mr R.J. LAWRENCE **proposed** and Mr BODY seconded that Mr Herbert GORE be Sidesman. Mr HAYES **proposed** and Mr Tom DIX seconded that Mr W.H. MARTIN be Sidesman, thus increasing the number of Sidesmen to Seven.

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The question of having a Church Council was discussed and it was **agreed** that the Council should consist of the Vicar, Churchwarden and Sidesmen.

The Vicar suggested that the Sidesmen should attend to the seating of the congregation and that two of them should be on duty for this purpose every Sunday; he **proposed** to prepare a list giving dates when each should be in attendance.

The Vicar expressed appreciation of the services rendered by the Organist, the Choir, the Sunday School teachers, the Ringers, the Magazine Distributors, the Sexton, the Church Caretakers and all other Church workers.

Complaints were made that there was not sufficient light in the side Aisles and the Churchwardens agreed to see what could be done in the matter.

The Vicar mentioned that he had had the Candelabrum, which formerly hung in the old Church, replaced and suggested the replacing of the Royal Arms.

The Vicar stated that the Misses HAYES had offered a Cross for the Reredos, in memory of the late Mrs [Eleanor] HAYES and asked if the congregation would desire to accept it. Mr ROBERTS expressed approval and Mr BODY thought that there should be some memorial to Mrs HAYES placed in the Church. No objection was raised and it was **decided** that the matter should be brought forward again for further consideration.

The Vicar concluded the Meeting with an appeal for loyalty, for mutual trust and that there might be no divisions.

[Sgd] C.H. BRADBURN, Chairman. March 29th 1910.

High Littleton Easter Vestry Meeting held in the Schoolroom on Tuesday March 29th 1910, after due notice.

Present: The Rev'd C.H. BRADBURN, Vicar, Chairman, Messrs C.A. KEMBLE and A. COX, Churchwardens, Messrs R. LAWRENCE, R.J. LAWRENCE, W.H. MARTIN, C.C. ROBERTS and W. SAGE, Sidesmen, Messrs S.J. BODY, E. BODY, W. BRYANT, G. DANDO, T. DIX, T. ORCHARD, F. RYMAN, H. TAVINER and T.H.R. WINWOOD.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and confirmed. Mr BODY proposed and Mr ROBERTS seconded that minutes as read be **signed**.

The Churchwardens' accounts were read and checked with vouchers and found correct. Mr RYMAN proposed and Mr MARTIN seconded that these accounts as read be **passed**.

The Vicar gave a Summary of Collections taken in Church from Easter 1909 to Easter 1910, showing a total for all purposes of £142. 3. 7.

The Vicar expressed thanks to the Wardens, Sidesmen, Ringers, Organist and members of the Choir for their valued services, and also thanked Mr ROBERTS for acting as treasurer for the Sick and Poor Fund, and Mr J. LAWRENCE for acting as treasurer for the Missionary Funds, remarking it had been a happy year and many difficulties had been overcome by zealous help, and mentioned the Sunday School was very encouraging, having more than doubled during the year.

The Vicar asked Mr KEMBLE to again act as his Warden; to this Mr KEMBLE **consented**.

Mr BODY **proposed** and Mr ROBERTS seconded that Mr COX be again elected Parish Warden.

Mr KEMBLE **proposed** and Mr COX seconded that the same Sidesmen as last year be asked to act again.

Mr KEMBLE **proposed** and Mr BODY seconded that Mr WINWOOD be a Sidesman.

Mr TUCKER **proposed** and Mr RYMAN seconded that Mr ORCHARD be a Sidesman.

Some discussion followed with regard to the seating of the Sunday School Children in Church, the number of Sunday Scholars having greatly increased; the Churchwardens suggested that the seats in the north Aisle, with the exception of Col. SCOBELL's Servants' seats, be used by them on Sunday mornings.

The acceptance of a brass Cross for the Reredos, which is being offered as a memorial by the family of the late Mrs HAYES, was considered. It was proposed by Mr ROBERTS and seconded by Mr RYMAN, That a faculty be obtained and the Cross be **accepted**.

A pair of vases for the flowers, given by Mrs WINWOOD, to replace the smaller ones, were unanimously **accepted** as an Easter gift.

The Vicar expressed a desire to complete the cornice work in the Chancel, and added that there was sufficient talent in members of the congregation to carry through the work.

The Vicar mentioned that there was no table of Fees for the Church and, as they would be helpful, he was asked to obtain them.

Mr BODY asked if the copper rope on flag pole was likely to act as a light(e)ning conductor. Mr KEMBLE said he would get advice in the matter.

Mr WINWOOD drew attention to the state of the Altar Cloth and suggests it should be renovated.

Mr WINWOOD expressed the thanks of the Meeting to the Vicar for presiding. The Meeting was then closed.

[Sgd] C.H. BRADBURN, Chairman, C.C. ROBERTS. April 18th 1911.

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NOTE

Spellings have been standardised.

Names in the index may be fuller than appear in the actual text.

"Local knowledge" has been used to identify some people in the text.

Some surnames like STICKLER and WHITEHEAD have evolved into STICKLAND or STRICKLAND and WHITING over the years. Others like GULLICK/GULLOCK and RUDDICK/RUDDOCK are used indiscriminately within the same families.

DURY and DRURY are frequently confused in the text.

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