

January 25th - 1966

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room, Tatsfield, on Thursday the 25th day of Jan^r. at 8. P.M.

Present Mr Denton in the Chair. Mr West, Mr Duddley, Mr Keeble, Mr Brown, + R. Staley the Clerk.

Minutes The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting, now read, confirmed + signed.

Correspondence The Chairman then read the correspondence.

County Rate Basis The Chairman then stated this meeting had been called to consider the statement received from the Clerk of the County Council respecting the County Rate Basis for this Parish. He said the Rateable Value had increased £200 last year. After discussion the Chairman proposed suggested a Committee be formed to enquire into the matter. Mr West proposed that Mr Denton & Mr Keeble be elected on the Committee, seconded by Mr Duddley. Carried.

The Clerk was requested to write for the act of Parliament with reference to the matter.

Proposed by Mr Duddley, seconded by Mr West that a Cheque be drawn for £5.4.0 being 2 months wages due to Mr Neale for lighting, cleaning + c the Parish Lamps. Carried.

Mr Neale's
wages
£5.4.0

Continued.

Parliamentary
Polling Station

Proposed by Mr. Keeble that the Clerk as an
write the Local Government Board respecting
the Parliamentary Polling Station for Tatsfield.
seconded by Mr. Brown. carried.

Allotments

Regulations

Proposed by Mr. Duddy. that the Parish
Allotments Regulations, be signed & sealed
as requested by the Local Government Board
seconded by Mr. Keeble. carried.
The meeting then closed.

Wm. Charnock
March 6th 05.

March 6th 1906

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room, Tatsfield on Tuesday the 6th day of March, at 6.30 P.M.

Present Mr. A. Denton (in the Chair) Messrs G. H. West, E. Duddy, J. Brown, & the Clerk, R. Staley

Minutes The minutes of the former Council meeting, were read, confirmed, & signed.

Correspondence The Chairman then read a letter from the County Rate Basis Surrey County Council, stating that from Dec-1904. to Dec-1905. the rateable value had increased by just £200. hence that sum had been added to the rateable value of the Parish. The Chairman said in view of the letter and the accuracy of the figures nothing could be done in the matter.

Polling Station a letter was read from the Surrey County Council, to the Local Government Board, stating that they were not satisfied that 100 electors had to travel over three miles to record their votes, and that the increased expenditure which it would involve could scarcely at present be justified. Mr. Duddy proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Surrey Council saying that the Parish was entitled under the act: to a separate Polling Station there being over 100 Voters to travel three miles. Mr. West

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Barbed Wire

The Chairman said a letter had been received from the Clerk of the District Council with reference to the Barbed Wire, erected by the side of some roads in the Parish, and stated that it had been decided to serve notices under the Barbed Wire Act, upon the persons whose names were submitted by the Surveyor.

The Lighting
Watching act

The Chairman then said they had to present yearly an estimate for the Annual parish meeting to grant a sum in respect of the costs for the ensuing year, of lighting the Parish lamps &c. and he suggested referring the matter to the sub-committee to prepare the estimate, for presentation to the Annual Parish meeting to be held on the 29th March. This was agreed to.

M. J. Brown

M^r Brown was appointed to serve on the sub-committee.

allotments

The Clerk was instructed to notify the original applicants for allotments that the plots were now ready for occupation. Members of the Council said they would be prepared to offer a Prize for the best cultivated allotment, and also give assistance in other ways.

The meeting then closed.

Arthur Tuckwell

Chairman

March 30th 06.

March 29th - 1906

The annual Parish Meeting was held at the School Room, Tatsfield, on the evening of March 29th 1906, at 8 P.M.

Present. Mr. A. Denton in the Chair. Mr. G. H. Mes. Mr. S. Dudley. Mr. F. H. Hebble. Mr. J. S. Brown. Mr. E. H. Wilkins. R. Staley, Clerk. & a good attendance of parishioners.

Minutes The Minutes of the last Parish Meeting were read, confirmed & signed.

The Chairman before touching on the year's work referred in sympathetic terms to the loss the parish had sustained in the death of Mr. Councillor Lock.

He said they had elected Mr. J. S. Brown in Mr. Lock's place, & he was sure they had got one who was interested in the welfare of the parish.

The Lighting & Watching Act. The main business of the year had been the adoption of the Lighting & Watching Act at a cost of £33 for the cost, erection, & maintenance of 6 lamps. They had experienced the advantages of the Lighting and they were in a position to say whether it had been beneficial to them to decide whether they would continue with the six lamps or have more.

allotments The allotment question had occupied a great deal of the Council's time, he was pleased to say that it was practically settled now,

It only remained for those who originally applied for the allotments to now come forward and make their claims.

Mr. Cooper asked what was the rent for the allotments.

The Chairman £3 per acre. to which Mr. Cooper replied "too much by half"

Regulations of
the Commons

The Chairman then briefly touched on the regulations of the Commons, and said it was a most important matter one had to do with the future. If they would only do their duty they would be conferring a great benefit on themselves, and those who came after them.

Mr. Jastier said at the last annual meeting the District Councillor proposed to a rate in the £. should be levied for footpaths. Had this been done?

The Chairman replied that the rate had been levied, but had not been expended as they had found no occasion to use it.

Amount for
Lighting.

The Chairman then read the statement of a/c for the year.

The vote for the amount of lighting for the year was then brought forward.

Mr. Duddy spoke of the great benefit conferred by the Lamps and suggested continuing the six lamps at a cost of £18. for the lighting & maintenance from Oct. 1906. to March 1907.

Mr. Brown supported the motion & said he would personally like to see more lamps

continues.

Mr. Keble spoke against the Lamps & said they were practically useless. He therefore proposed an amendment that they do not vote for the sum required.

Proposition
at

The Chairman ruled this out as order. Mr. West then proposed that a ^{sum of £26} ~~sum of £26~~ ~~in the~~ be levied, and that three more additional lamps be erected at certain important sites, suggested by Mr. Brown. Mr. E. H. Watkins strongly supported this proposition. From his experience the lamps had certainly made a great improvement to the parish.

Mr. Wilson thought there was no occasion to light the lamps on moonlight nights. The Chairman then said the proposed rate would involve a charge of £26 instead of £18 proposed by Mr. Duddy ^{sum of £26}.

at

Mr. West's proposition of ~~£26~~ that ~~a rate~~ ^{of 2^d in the £} be levied was then put to the vote, when 16 voted for, and 15 against. Carried.

The Chairman then said the meeting was open for discussion on any other matter they would like to bring forward.

Water supply

Mr. Cooper asked the Chairman if he could read any correspondence that the Council had in opposition to the water supply. The Chairman said they had no power to take any steps in regard to the matter until an occasion presented.

Mr. Duddy said he too had agreed to oppose the water supply, and he still opposed it, but now he bowed to the majority.

Mr. Keble then read the Report of the
 Government inspector on the Schools
 which was favourable. though it mentioned
 the want of additional accommodation
 Mr. E. H. Wilkins then proposed a vote of
 thanks to the Chairman on the proceedings
 then terminated.

Vote of Thanks

Wm. J. Benson
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 Oct. 1906
 J. J. Old
 P.A.

April 20th 1906

The annual Parish Council meeting was held in the School Room, Tatsfield, on Friday the 20th of April 1906. at 8 p.m.

Present

Mr G. Denton in the Chair. Messrs E. Duddy,
G. H. West, F. H. Keeble, & J. S. Brown. P. Staley
Clerk

Minutes

The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting were read, confirmed, & signed

Chairman

Mr West proposed & Mr Duddy seconded the
reelection of Mr Denton as Chairman. Carried

Overseers

Mr West proposed that Mr F. H. Keeble, and
Mr J. P. Wooding be elected Overseers seconded
by Mr G. Denton. Carried.

Mr Duddy voted against & gave as reason
for dissatisfaction with Mr Keeble as
Overseer. Mr Keeble replied contending
that he had done all that was possible.

Committees

Allotments
& Lighting

Mr Denton proposed Mr G. H. West, Mr E. Duddy
& Mr J. S. Brown be elected on the allotments, &
Lighting
Committees, seconded by Mr Keeble. Carried.

Footpaths

Mr West proposed Mr Keeble & Mr Prace be
elected on the Footpaths Committee seconded
by Mr Duddy. Carried

Assistant
Overseer

Mr P. Staley was again re-appointed Assistant
Overseer.

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Finance

Mr West proposed & Mr Duddy seconded
that the following a/c be paid
Mr. White 16. 10-0. Thrift & C. 9/7 - Hobert & Co
H. 12. 6. Crane 18/- Neale Wages 6 weeks £. 3. 18.-
Carried

Allotments

The Chairman then brought forward the allotments
question. It was announced the 3 plots had been
applied for.

The Clerk asked if he had communicated
with the original applicants for allotments
& replied in the affirmative.

Lighting

The Lighting committee were instructed to
arrange for the storage of the lamps for
the summer, & further to get estimates of
the cost for next winter. Suggestions
as to the position of the additional lamps
are also to be laid before the Council.

Water Supply

A plan showing the position to be occupied
by the new Water mains was produced
and it was suggested this should remain
in the hands of the Clerk for inspection.
It was arranged that a few rough copies
be posted in the village.

The Greens

It was resolved to ask the District Council
to remove the notice Boards on the greens
& to proceed with the scheme for regulating
the greens. The Clerk was instructed to write
the District Council to that effect.

The meeting then closed.

Arthur Tindall
Sept 6th 06

Sept⁶ 1905

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room on Thursday the 6th day of September 1905. at 7.30 P.M.

Present Mr. A. Denton, Chairman. Messrs G. H. West, P. Duddy, F. H. Keeble, + J. L. Brown and the Clerk, R. Staley.

Minutes The minutes of the last Annual Parish Council meeting were read. Confirmed, & signed.

Clerk's Salary. A letter was read from R. Staley the Clerk asking for an increase in ^{his} salary. after discussion it was proposed by Mr. Keeble & seconded by Mr. West that the salary be increased £5. per annum carried unanimously.

The Allotments The Chairman then brought forward the Allotments scheme. and said the half years rent ending March 25th has not yet been paid. Mr. Keeble proposed a resolution that the Landlord be asked to make a reduction on account of the delay in the Council not being able to take possession at Mich⁹. After discussion the resolution was lost, and Mr. West proposed that the half years rent be paid seconded by Mr. Duddy. Carried
Mr. Duddy then stated that complaints had been made by some of the tenants, that

allotments
continued

The new fence did not afford sufficient protection against cattle, & crops had been damaged, it was proposed by Mr. Dobby that wire sheep netting be put round on the fence seconded by Mr. Brown. Carried.

Polling Station

It was decided again to approach the County Council, urging the necessity of a Polling Station for Tatsfield. The Clerk was directed to write to that effect. and also to write Mr. Daniell the local County Councillor, asking him to support the project.

The Parish
Lighting.

The Parish Lighting was then brought forward after consideration, it was proposed by Mr. Brown seconded by Mr. West that the 3 new lamps be placed at the following positions, 1 Bottom Church Hill. 1 corner Westmore Green near White House. 1 ~~corner~~ ^{corner} ~~near~~ ^{near} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~parish~~ ^{parish} ~~hall~~ ^{hall} pending it being in the Parish of Tatsfield. The Committee were instructed to get estimates for the Lighting & keeping clean & providing oil. and all necessaries for about 20 weeks.

Ag.

carried

The Parish Map

Mr. Hebble expressed the opinion that the Parish should provide itself with a Map showing all rights of way. with a view of preventing any encroachments, The matter was then adjourned, and the meeting closed.

Arthur Jinks

Sept 25 1885

Sept^r 27th - 1906

A. Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room, Satsfield on Thursday the 27th day of Sept^r 7.30. P.M.

Present

M^r A. Denton. (Chairman). M^r G. H. West and M^r E. Duddy, with R. Staley. Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting were read confirmed, & signed.

The Allotments

It was arranged to obtain the prices of wire sheep netting to be placed round the allotments, it being left to the allotment Committee to decide.

Parish Lighting

The Chairman then brought forward the business of lighting & providing oil & wicks for the nine lamps. There were three tenders. M^r L. Speed £1 per week, M^r E. E. French two shillings per lamp per week, & M^r Meale £1.6.0 per week, the latter tender not being sent in the specified time was ruled out of order. M^r Duddy proposed that M^r E. E. French's tender be accepted seconded by M^r West. Carried. M^r West proposed that M^r White's estimate of £3 each for three new lamps be accepted seconded by M^r Duddy. Carried.

The new Water mains.

M^r Duddy pointed out that in some places the roads had been left in a dangerous state consequent upon the laying of the new water mains. The Clerk was instructed to write the District Council on the matter. The meeting then closed.

Arthur Denton
Chairman
27th 18th 06.

Oct^r 18th - 1906

A Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room, Ipsfield, on Thursday the 18th day of October at 8 P. M.

Present Mr Denton Chairman. Messrs G. H. West
E. Duddley. J. H. Huble. J. J. Brown & R. Staley
Clerk

Minutes

The Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting were read confirmed & signed.

Allotments

The matter of placing sheep wire netting was again brought forward. After discussion it was proposed that Mr Bird be asked to supply a price per roll. for wire netting seconded by Mr West. Carried. Mr Duddley proposed that Mr Francis be engaged to put the hedge opposite the allotments at a cost of 10/- seconded by Mr West. Carried. Mr West moved that Mr Duddley's offer of 10/- for the grass kept on the allotments not let, be accepted seconded by Mr Brown. It was proposed to give a few prizes^{carried} to the allotment holders, and after discussion it was proposed by the Chairman that a meeting be held to arrange a Social gathering between the allotment holders & the Garden Society. Mr Huble supported the proposition and it was arranged to call a meeting later on.

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The Parish
Lighting.

It was decided that an agreement be drawn up between the Parish Council, & Mr E. French for the Lighting extinguishing & supplying the best Oil, with £l for the nine lamps during the winter months, the Clerk was instructed to see to it. Mr West proposed, seconded by Mr Keeble that a Cheque for £8 be drawn to meet the expenses of Lighting &c.

Ploughing up
Footpaths

The Chairman read a letter from Mr Chubb respecting the ploughing up footpaths that had not previously been ploughed up. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to write Mr Street & caution him in respect to the Footpaths across the Old Cuckoo field. The meeting then closed.

Arthur Tintor
Chairman
Jan 24/04.

January 8th 1907

A statutory meeting of the Parish Council was held in the School Room, Salsfields, on Tuesday the 8th day of Jan^r 1907, at 7.30 P.M.

Present Mr. Dendon, Chairman, Messrs. J. H. Keeble, G. H. West, J. S. Brown, & R. Staley the Clerk.

Minutes The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting, were read, confirmed, & signed

Ricketts Hill Road.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. J. Scott, "The Woodlands", Ricketts Hill, respecting the very dangerous state of about 200 ft^s of Ricketts Hill Road, adjoining land belonging to Mr. Lock & Mr. Spencer, after discussion it was proposed by Mr. Keeble seconded by Mr. West, that the Clerk write the Rural District Council, laying the whole matter before them. carried.

Old Lane

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Rural District Council respecting the road in Old Lane and after discussion it was proposed by Mr. Keeble & seconded by Mr. West, that the Rural District Council, be again written to asking them to communicate with the Contractor for laying the new water mains on the matter. carried.

The Parish Fighting

The Chairman then brought forward the matter of the very unsatisfactory ~~in~~ ^{way}

Parish
Lighting
confirmed

the contractor Mr French was doing his work. it was proposed by Mr West seconded by Mr Brown. that the Clerk give Mr French 7 days notice to give up the work. Carried.

Mr Neales
Estimate

It was then proposed by Mr Keeble & seconded by Mr Brown, that Mr Neales estimate of 20/- per week ^{be accepted} to light. Extinguish four oil lamps, & keep ⁱⁿ good working order the nine Parish Lamps, up to the 25th day of March 1904. Carried.

allotments

Proposed by Mr Brown seconded by Mr West that a Cheque be drawn for £2.0.0 being 6 months rent for the allotments. up to Mich³ 1904. Carried

Mr Keeble proposed & Mr West seconded that 100 bills stating there were several all allotments & let. be printed & circulated about the village.

Arthur Entwistle
Chairman
27th Feb 04.

October 3rd 1906

A Parish meeting was held in the School Room, Tatsfield, on Wednesday the 3rd day of October, at 8 P.M.

Present Mr. A. Denton in the Chair. Messrs. West, Dudley, Keeble, & H. Wilkins and about 40 Parishioners.

Minutes The minutes of the last Parish Meeting were read, confirmed & signed.

Tatsfield & Westmore Green. Mr. Dudley raised the question as to the legality of the meeting. The Chairman stated this meeting had been called to consider & pass a resolution on the proposed regulations for the Green. The Chairman explained the steps which had already been taken by the Parish Council. They had obtained the approval of the Board of Agriculture to the proposed regulations, but at a meeting of ratepayers some months since a resolution was passed against the scheme & a petition sent to the Board of Agriculture who said that there was obviously a misunderstanding, and had advised the calling of this meeting. The Chairman then introduced Mr. W. Hubb, secretary to the Commons & Footpaths Preservation Society.

Mr. Hubb congratulated the Parish of Tatsfield on the keen interest they took in questions affecting their public rights. His society had been instrumental

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in inducing Parliament to pass various Acts designed not to enclose open spaces, but to preserve them for the benefit of the whole of the inhabitants. The first thing to consider in the question before them was, what a common was, and the rights over it. It was clear that these greens were waste of the Manor, purely common land. The word common was applied technically and legally, not to the land itself, but to the rights exercised over it. ~~It was clear that these greens were waste of the Manor, purely common land.~~ such as rights of pasture estovers &c. Many people did not think there was any danger of commons being now enclosed. He had dealt with upwards of 500 cases in the last twelve months, and in many cases the whole of the rights of the commons had gone. The power given by Parliament to the people to secure control over greens was by what was known as a regulation scheme. This really meant preservation. He advised them to get scheme of regulations, and so save the greens for ever, from all possible enclosure. Referring to an offer of Mr. C. Lemson Gower to hand the greens over to the inhabitants, the speaker said he wished other Lords of the Manor were as public spirited. If their scheme went through, their green would endure for ever as open spaces.

Continued Under the proposed scheme a legal right of recreation would be created. There was a ^{good} deal of misunderstanding about fencing ⁱⁿ the greens. Under the scheme there would be no power to enclose the greens except temporarily, any portion which might be undergoing repair. He assured them that the only cost to the people would be the £10 legal expenses. The cost of maintenance of the greens would be borne by Rural District Council.

Resolution

An interesting discussion followed, and Mr Chubb explained many points of difficulties. Mr G. H. West moved the following resolution that this meeting of parochial electors of Tatsfield in parish meeting assembled approve of the proposed scheme for the regulations of Tatsfield & Westmore Greens seconded by Mr J. Brown and carried by 24 votes to 1.

Note of thanks

Mr G. H. Wilkins in moving a vote of thanks to Mr Chubb, said he would like to tell those present that they need have no fear of the District Council involving them in expense. The District Council did not expend money recklessly. When he first brought the scheme before them, he was at once met by with the question, as to who would pay the £10. He obtained their support when he told them the Tatsfield Parish Council would. They would have full control, if in a few years time the greens passed into their own hands. The meeting then closed. Howard Wilkins.

February 21st 1904

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday the 21st day of Feb^r at 7.30 P.M. in the School Room
Tatfield.

Present

M^r A. Denton in the Chair. Messrs. West + Brown. + R. Staley the Clerk.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting were read confirmed & signed.

Parish Lighting

The Chairman said the first matter to consider was the amount of money required for the expenses of lighting the 9 Parish Lamps, after discussion, it was decided that the Lighting Committee draw up an estimate to lay before the Parishioners at the annual Parish meeting. It was proposed by M^r West seconded by M^r Brown, that Cheques be drawn for the following a/c's M^r White for 3 new Lamps + fixing. £. 10.0.0. less 5/- over-charge for the fixing, the Committee feeling the amount charged for fixing the other Lamps being quite sufficient. To the Clerk £ 5.10.0. for money expended & defray expenses in lighting &c.

Allotments

The Chairman said the allotment appeared to be getting fairly well now, and after discussion it was proposed by M^r Brown seconded by M^r West, that a Cheque be drawn for £ 2 being the amount of rent owing up to Mich^l. 1904.

Continued The Chairman then brought forward the matter as a deviation of a footpath in ^{Westminster} this parish leading from Rag Hill, across the Hill Park estate to Westesham, it was therefore proposed by Mr West seconded by Mr Brown that the Clerk be instructed to write the Rural District Council on the matter. The meeting then closed.

Arthur J. J. J.

April 16th 09.