

JANUARY 1954

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council meeting held at The Bakery, on Mon. Jan. 4th, 1954

Present Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Drane, Hodgson & Simpson, with the Clerk

Apology Mr. Ridler sent an apology for absence.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

'Bus Service to Oxford Mr. Black said that an interview with the Superintendent Reigate had not yet been arranged.

Tatsfield Green Mr. Geary said that he had made enquiries from Mr. Streets about the narrowing of The Green, but Mr. Streets had not the necessary equipment.

Footpath 21 A (running N.W. from stile near School, to 2nd stile, leading to path to Police Cott. village) The Clerk read a letter from Surrey C.C. stating that whilst it was observed that in the 1933 Schedule this section of path was shown as crossing arable land, & that the Parish Council's 1950 Survey ^{was} incorrect in that respect, the particulars contained in the statement annexed to the draft map described the position as at the 1st Jan. 1952, & such particulars could only be modified on an objection received in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 1949. As no such objection had been received the statement must remain unaltered in this case. However, any such description given in the statement concerning the nature of the ground crossed by a path, in no way affected the question as to whether or not there was an ancient right to plough, which remained to be established. No action would be taken by S.C.C."

Path No 26 The Clerk read a letter from S.C.C. saying that the Clerk of the Council was in communication with Mr. Robinson

about the re-instatement of Footpath No 26 after ploughing, & would write again in due course.

Croft
Westmore Rd

Mr. Hodson said that this matter had been referred to the Housing Com. & he hoped to report on the matter at the next meeting.

yes

Playing Field

Mr. Hodson said that the lower end of the field behind The Ship had now been purchased, & the Football Club could now use it, until required for housing purposes.

Provisional
Precept

proposed this night, see Mr. Simpson that the provisional precept for the coming financial year be £50
Carried.

Mud on
Roads

The Clerk said that she had received a complaint about mud on the highroads, left behind by lorries coming out of fields. She was asked to attend to the matter.

Sunny Old
People's Welfare
Conference

The Chairman read a letter about a proposed annual Conference which would discuss ^{the} welfare of old people in the County. After discussion, it was agreed that the letter should be passed to the Hon. Sec. Not to Young Club.

'Bus fares

It was agreed that London Transport be asked to reduce the Green Line fare from the village to Botley Hill Corner, now standing at 10d.

Library
facilities.

Mr. Simpson said that he had been approached about the provision of a mobile library with trained assistant, in the village.
It was agreed that S.C.C. be asked for details

of the services provided, & under what conditions they were obtainable.

yes

Proposed by Miss Knight, see Mr. Druce that following yes be passed for payment:

Clerk's Salary to ending 31.12.53 £ 10.0.0

Petty Cash 3.0.0

Rly. Pass. Assur. Co (Clerk's Insur.) 5.0

Carried

W. J. Druce 8.2.54
Chairman

FEBRUARY 1954

A discussion followed

Owing to weather conditions the Meeting on Feb. 1st was cancelled, & members met on Feb. 8th.

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at The Bakery, on Monday, Feb. 8th, 8 p.m.

Present. Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Drane, Hodson, Ridley & Simpson

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Minutes The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

'Bus Service to Oxted Mr. Black said that an interview with the Supt. Reigate, had not yet been arranged.

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Tatsfield Green Mr. Ridley said that he had not been able to see Mr. Thompson about the lanawing of the Green.

'Bus Fares The Clerk read a letter from London Transport Executive saying that it had been decided to reduce the fare on the Green Line Coach Route 706, from The Ship to Botley^{Hill} now standing at 10d, to 5d from Wed. Feb. 17th. This was done owing to the very limited service provided on route 403 to & from Tatsfield during the day.

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Library Facilities The Clerk read 2 letters from the County Librarian saying that at the local village centre there were 850 books which were exchanged 3 times a year. To supplement this rural service there was a postal service available for students. There were no Mobile Librarians operating in Surrey, & consideration of expense prevented the S.C.C. from providing trained assistants at any but Full-Time Branches.

A discussion followed as to what body in the village would be approached in the event of a voluntary librarians not being able to continue ~~his~~^{their} services. It was generally agreed that the Parish Council would be the most likely body to accept responsibility for seeing that the Library continued to function.

Annual

Parish Meeting Proposed by Mr. Drane, sec. Mr. Black that the next Parish Council meeting be held at the Bakers, on Wed: March 17th, at 7.30 p.m. & followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m.

Carried unanimously

'Bus stop near Turge Corner Mr. Drane proposed, sec. by Mr. Simpson that London Transport Executive be asked if a 'Request' Stop could be made half-way between The Ship & the Crofton Rd.

Carried (Mr. Ridler abstaining)

'Bus stop in Village Mr. Simpson asked whether it would be possible to put down 2 or 3 flagstones at the 'Bus Stop in the village. The grass did not grow here, & the place was very muddy. After discussion, Mr. Simpson proposed, seconded by Mr. Hodgson that Godstone R.D.C. be approached in the matter.

a/c

Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Simpson that following a/c be passed for payment:

R. Watson, hire of Bakers, 3 occasions £1-2-5

Carried

The Clerk said that she had purchased a bottle of ink from Peter Cook

14.3.54

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Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at
The Bakery on ~~Mon~~^{Wed} March 17th, 1954, at 7.30 p.m.

Present Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Drane
Hodgson, Ridler & Simpson.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

'Bus Service to Oxted It was agreed to leave this matter till the next meeting.

Tatsfield Green Mr. Ridler said that he hoped to see Mr. Thompson shortly
about the narrowing of Tatsfield Green.

Library The Chairman said that he understood that Mr. Miller
was unable to continue as Librarian, owing to ill-health,
and that Mrs. Wedgewood would take over again.

Coach
'Bus Service Proposed by Mr. Hodgson, see Mr. Drane that London
to Westerham Transport be asked whether the ^{coach} bus fare to Westerham
could be reduced, from Tatsfield village.

Flagstones at 'Bus Stop Mr. Hodgson said that he thought something would
be done in this matter.

W. Geary
5.4.54

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, MARCH 1954

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting held at The Bakery on Wed. March 17th, at 8 p.m.

No present Fourteen parishioners were present, including seven Parish Councillors.

Minutes The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were read and confirmed.

Chairman's Summary The Chairman gave a Summary of the work done by the Parish Council during the past year.

Broken Milk Bottles Mrs. Drayes drew attention to the number of milk bottles which were left lying about, and then broken. They were becoming a real menace. The Chairman said that the Parish Council would see what could be done.

Bus Service to Oxted Mr. Brazier did not think that a week-day service would be much in demand, but he thought a number of Nonconformists in the village would make use of a Sunday service about 10.30, returning between 12 and 12.30, to go to their church at Oxted.

Coronation The Chairman then gave a review of Coronation activities in the village, and expressed the wish that "Young Tom" who had made the Bonfire would make a speedy recovery from his recent accident. Proposed by Mrs. Hodgson, sec. Miss Knight that the Headmaster & staff of the School be thanked for their co-operation in making the Village celebrations such a success.

Carried unanimously.

Village
Sign

Mr. Black then gave some news about the projected Village Sign, which was to be a permanent memorial of the Coronation. Nearly £40 had been collected; visits had been paid to inspect signs erected by other villages; and various designs had been submitted. The design by Mr. Abrahams, a parishoner, had been accepted, and Mr. Abrahams had generously agreed to waive all fees. The design would be set in a framework of wrought iron, and the local authority had agreed to its erection on ^{Wootmore} ~~the~~ Green, opposite the White House. The top of the design incorporated the Gresham Grasshopper. It was hoped that the sign would be unveiled on May 30th, Coronation Sunday anniversary.

Building
Licences &
vacant plots.

Mr. Orages asked for information about the Green Belt, and building licences for vacant plots in the village. Mr. Hodgson, Godstone R.D.C. representative for Tatsfield said that there was no general objection to building where amenities allowed, but there was no liking for opening up new areas. "Infilling" or "rounding off" of existing building areas was allowed. Questions of sanitation & traffic had to be taken into account. One particular objection was any area not to be included in the Drain Drainage Scheme, as every additional cesspool added to the burden of the rates. As regards compensation for loss of value in building plots owing to denial of licences to build, he reminded those present that a Bill was now before Parliament, which might clarify matters.

Old Lane

Mr. Orages asked whether a ridge could be made at the entrance to Old Lane, which would direct the overflow during heavy rain, into the ditch, as under

present conditions, water sometimes rushed down the Lane, and some considerable damage had been done in the past. The Chairman promised to see into the matter.

Bushes on
The Green Proposed by Mr. Drayes, sec. Miss Kelly that Godstone R.D.C. be asked to remove the bushes on the Green. These were increasing in size, and in number every year. Carried unanimously.

New Council
Houses In reply to a question, Mr. Hodson said it was unlikely that any new Council houses would be built until the new main drainage was installed.

School
reports Mrs. Brazier, Vice-chairman of School Managers, and one of the representatives of the Parish Council, said that ~~matters~~ the tone of the school was still continuing to improve, & the general report was satisfactory.

Vote of
thanks A vote of thanks to the Chairman, & Parish Councillors was proposed by Mrs. Brazier, sec. by Mr. Drayes and Carried unanimously.

M. J. Kelly 23-March 1955

APRIL 1954

Mr. Hodgson should

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting
held at the Bakery, on Mon. April 5th, 1954, at 8 p.m.

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| Present | Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Hodgson, Ridler & Simpson. | 'Coach stop near Furze Corner |
| Apology | An apology for absence was received from Mr. Dwyer. | |
| 'Bus Service to Osted | Mr. Black said that he had an appointment for the following Saturday, to discuss this matter. | Litter |
| Narrowing of The Green | Mr. Ridler said that he had spoken to Mr. Thompson about this matter. Mr. Thompson did not normally do this kind of work, but he was willing to give an opinion. Mr. Ridler had 'phoned him that evening, but had been unable to speak to him. | |
| 'Bus stop in village | The Clerk read a letter from Godstone R.D.C. saying that the Highway Authority had been asked to see if they could put down 2 or 3 flagstones at the bus stop near the Ship Inn. | Annual Parish Council Meeting |
| Broken Milk Bottles | The Clerk said that she had spoken to the roundsman about this matter. He had informed her that much of the trouble was caused by householders not putting out their empty bottles regularly. In places where he was unable to take the lorry, he could not carry a large supply of empties in his wats. As the Council thought there had been an improvement recently, it was decided that no action be taken for the present. | Precept
Parish Council
3rd Party Insurance |
| Old Lane | In the matter of making a ridge at the top of Old Lane to carry away flood water, it was agreed that | |

Mr. Hodgson should ^{first} make enquiries regarding the more frequent ~~emptying~~ ^{clearing} of the 3 drains there.

Coach stop near Furze Corner The Clerk read a letter from London Transport Executive which said that as there were only three large houses in the immediate vicinity of this point, the Executive did not think the traffic would justify the appointment of a stopping place.

Litter A letter from Godstone R.D.C. was read, asking the Parish Council's co-operation in the matter of keeping the highways, & public places free from litter. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Godstone R.D.C. asking for a copy of the relevant bye-laws, together with the penalty for infringement, & whether this applied to unadopted roads as well.

Annual

Parish Council Meeting It was decided that the Annual Parish Council Meeting should be held on May 31st, & that this Meeting should take the place of the June Meeting, as the 1st Monday of June fell on Whit. Monday this year.

Precept Proposed by Miss Knight, sec. Mr. Black that a Precept for £50 be issued on the local Rating Authority. Carried.

Parish Council 3rd Party Insurance Mr. Riddle raised the question of the Parish Council's liabilities in 3rd party risks, & the advisability of insuring against them. After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Riddle sec. Mr. Simpson that the Clerk write to the Surrey Ass. of Parish Councils and enquire what 3rd party risks affected Parish Councils, & how much it would cost to cover them. Carried

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Proposed by Mr. Ridler, see Mr. Black, that the following Yes be passed for payment.

Shaw & Sons, Stationery
Tibby Estate, Allotments Rent to 25.3.54
Clerk's Salary to 25.3.54

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£ 2-0-0 ✓
£ 10-0-0 ✓

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MAY 1954.

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at The Bakery, on Mon. May 31st, at 8 p.m.

Present. Mr. Geary (Chairman) Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Hodgson, Ridler & Simpson, with the Clerk.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

'Bus to
Osted
464 465' Mr. Black said that he had had an interview with an official of London Transport. Regarding the diversion of ^{it was said that} 'buses on garage runs, this might involve overtime & extra crews, also few single decker 'buses paid, and some were run on 'policy' motives, ~~eg.~~ i.e. with no expectation of profit. After discussion Mr. Black proposed, see by Mr. Ridler that a letter be sent to our M.P. asking him to use his good offices in the matter. Carried.

Drains in
Old Lane Mr. Hodgson said that he would make personal enquiries about the clearing of these drains.

Litter. The Clerk read a letter from Godstone R.D.C. giving details of the bye-law relating to Litter.

"No person shall (except by permission of the owner or occupier or of the person or authority having control thereof, or unless authorised by law so to do) place or deposit and leave on or in -

- a) any highway or any roadside waste
 - b) any common, village green, park, recreation ground or other open space to which the public have access for the time being, or
 - c) any water, watercourse or ditch in or abutting on any such highway, roadside waste or other place aforementioned,
- any glass, china, earthenware, tin

carton, paper or other rubbish so as to create or tend to create a litter.

Coroner's
Court

The Clerk read a
direction -

Provided that where an offence is committed against this byelaw and against any byelaw with respect to any pleasure ground, public walk, recreation ground, park, roadside waste, common, village green or open space, or any limitation or condition imposed by the Minister of Agriculture & Fisheries under Section 93 of the Law of Property Act, 1925, a person shall not be liable to more than one penalty in respect of the same offence.

Building
Bye Law

3) Any person offending against the foregoing byelaw shall be liable to on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding forty shillings.

Audit

The byelaw does not differentiate between private & public highways. "

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After discussion, it was agreed that Godstone R.D.C. be asked to replace the Bye-laws on the Greens, & suggest that some kind of brief notice be placed below, e.g. No Litter. Penalty £2.

P.C. Insurance

A letter was read from Surrey County Ass. of Parish Councils saying that the matter of Insurance & 3rd party risks would soon be discussed at the Executive Committee Meeting. Regarding stiles, much depended on whether they had been put up to suit the farmer's convenience or the public's. In the latter case the highway authority, presumably, must accept responsibility.

It was agreed to seek quotations from two Insurance Companies, regarding Third Party Risks for one roadside seat, the allotment gate & 250 yards of barbed wire fencing of the allotments, and 3rd party risks in general.

Coroner's
Court

The Clerk read a letter from Oxid Parish Council indicating their intention of not proceeding further with their request for a Coroner's Court nearer than Sutton, & enclosing a copy of a letter received by them from the Home Office. This said that the Secretary of State found no grounds for action on his part, as the Coroner was at liberty to choose his own site for his Court, as an independent-judicial officer.

Building
Bye Law

The Clerk said she had received a copy of the most recent Bye laws of the R.D.C. area.

Account

The Clerk said that the Parish Council Acc would be audited at Oxid, Thurs. June 3rd, at 11 a.m.

Mr

Proposed Miss Knight, sec. Mr. Hodgson that following Acc be passed for payment.

Hire of room at Bakery (3 occasions)

Mr. R. Watson

£ 1.2.5 ✓

Carried.

A. Gray 31-5-54

MAY 1954 (ANNUAL P.C.)

that the Parish Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at
The Bakery on Mon: May 31st at 8 p.m.

Present:	Mr. Black, Miss Knight, Mrs. Geary, Hodgson, Ridler	3rd Party risks
Apology	An apology for absence was received from Mr. Simpson.	
Chairman	Proposed by Mr. Black, sec: by Mr. Ridler that Mr. Geary be Chairman for ensuing year. <u>Carried.</u>	Footpath 26
Vice:	Proposed by Miss Knight sec. by Mr. Hodgson that Mrs. Ridler be Vice-Chairman <u>Carried.</u>	(Church 15 Chestnut Ave)
Allotments Com.	Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Miss Knight that Mr. Black be a member of Allotments Com. <u>Carried</u> Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Mr. Hodgson that Mr. Ridler be a member of Allotments Com. <u>Carried.</u>	
Footpaths Com.	Proposed by Miss Knight, sec. by Mr. Black that Mr. Hodgson be a member of Footpaths Com. <u>Carried.</u> Proposed by Mr. Hodgson, sec. by Mr. Black that Mr. Simpson be elected to Footpaths Com. <u>Carried.</u>	
Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed	
'Buses to Osted.	A letter was read from Mr. Vaughan Morgan promising to take up the matter with London Transport.	
Drains in Old Lane	Mr. Hodgson said that he had spoken about the clearing of these drains to an official of Godstone R.D.C. The Clerk reported that all drains had been thoroughly cleared.	Grass Verge outside The Bakery
Litter	The Clerk read a letter from Godstone R.D.C. saying	St. Dunstan's Appeal

that the Parish Council's suggestions were receiving attention, & that no copies of the County Council's byelaw prohibiting the unauthorised deposit of litter were available for putting up on Parish Council's Notice Boards.

3rd Party Quotations for Insurance against 3rd Party Risks were risks examined & discussed. It was decided to seek a quotation from Lloyd's.

Footpath 26 A letter from Surrey C.C. was read saying that Mr. Robinson had assured the Clerk of the Council that the surface of this right of way would be reinstated as soon as it was reasonably convenient. Mr. Robinson proposed to sow the ground with barley & to underseed it with a three year lay, but before the work could be proceeded with the earth had to be broken down to a fine tilth. The Clerk promised to take up the matter again, should the path not be restored.

(Church to Chestnut Ave)

The Clerk was instructed to point out to S.C.C. that section 56 of Nat. Parks & Access to the Countryside Act 1949 said that a path should be reinstated "as soon as may be" after the ploughing, & not "as reasonably convenient" to the farmer, also that it was brought to the notice of the P.C. in Dec. 1953 that this path had not been reinstated, & that the crop was now well up.

Grass verge outside The Bakery Mr. Black asked who was responsible for the cutting of the grass verge alongside the Bakery. The Clerk said that she would find out.

St. Dunstan's Appeal The Clerk read a letter from St. Dunstan's asking the Parish Council's help in finding someone who might be willing to act as their Hon. appeals Rep.

in Tatsfield. It was decided to see whether anyone would come forward after this matter appeared in the local press.

Minutes of The Bakers

Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Miss Knight that
fol: Yes be passed for payment
Clerk. Peth Cash
Pres. Commons Sub. 1954-5

£2.0.0 ✓
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Carried
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JULY 1954

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at The Bakery, Iron: July 5th.

Present Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Drane, Ridler, Simpson & the Clerk

Apology for absence An apology for absence was received from Mr. Hodgson.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

bus to Oxford The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Vaughan Norman, M.P., together with one from Sir John Elliott, Chairman of the London Transport Executive. As the latter was unfavourable to the provision of such a service, Mr. Vaughan Norman suggested that he should find out whether it would be possible for Tatsfield to come under a school district at Westhamp.

Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. by Miss Knight that Mr. Vaughan Norman's offer should be accepted. Carried.

3rd Party Risks It was agreed that Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd. be asked to clarify the 'etc.' in their letter of 11th May, as the Parish Council was not clear what, if any, responsibility attached to the Council, but wished to be "covered" for any eventualities.

Path 26 Church - Chestnut Ave. The Clerk read a letter from Surrey C.C. saying that although it was agreed that Sec. 56 of 1949 Act makes it necessary for the surface of any path to be reinstated "as soon as may be" after the ploughing is completed, the County Council consider that the only reasonable interpretation of this phrase is that the surface should be reinstated as soon as reasonably practicable or convenient having regard to the particular circumstances of the case.

Gross verge
outside the
Bakery

Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Mr. Ridler that
Godstone R.D.C. be asked to cut this verge as soon as
possible

remained high for

Yes

St. Dunstan's
appeal

As nobody had offered to act as Appeals Organiser for the
District it was agreed that the matter should be brought
up at next meeting.

Coach fare village
to Westerham.

A letter from London Transport Exec. was read saying
that when the proposed general revision of fares came
into effect later in the year, a 7d single fare would be
introduced between Tatsfield "The Ship" & Westerham.

Footpath Fuzze
Corner to
Bedstead

A complaint was made about the overgrown
condition of this path. The Clerk was instructed
to write to Orpington U.D.C. on the matter.

Allotments

An application for Allotments 1 & 2 was received from
Mr. Stewart, 21, Westmore Rd., & accepted by the Council.
The Tenancy to commence from Sept. 29th, with, however,
immediate access.

Litter

The Clerk was instructed to ask Godstone R.D.C.
whether any further steps had been taken regarding
the Council's suggestion about small notices regarding
penalties for unauthorised litter, to be placed on existing
Bye-laws notice-boards.

Grit in Lusted
Hall lane

The Chairman read a letter from the Ratepayers' Ass.
Biggin Hill about their request to Godstone R.D.C. for
deposits of grit in Lusted Hall Lane.

Pond

The Clerk was asked to write to Godstone R.D.C. to
complain about the rubbish in the village pond, & to
the fact that recently the pond was overflowing, &

remained high for several days, which seemed to indicate that the overflow pipe was blocked.

Yes

Prop. Mr. Rider. Sec. Miss Knight, that foll: a/cs be passed for payment.

R. Watson, Hire of Bakery, 3 occasions	✓	£ 1 - 2 - 6
Clerk's salary, ending June 30th, 1954	✓	£ 10 - 0 - 0

Carried

A. J. Gray 6-9-54

SEPTEMBER 1954.

U.D.C. saying the

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting, held at the Bakery, Mon: Sept. 5th, 1954.

Present. Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Pond, Drane, Hodson & Ridler, with the Clerk.

Apology An apology for absence was received from Mr. Simpson.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed. Litter Notice

School Dentist Mr. Hodson said that there was now a possibility that the children attending Tatsfield Primary School would have Dental Treatment at the School itself. Village Sign

3rd Party Risks Mr. Ridler's offer to make enquiries about 3rd Party Risks, & report at the next meeting was accepted, & all correspondence with Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd. was handed over to him.

Grass Verge at Bakery The Clerk reported that the grass verge outside the Bakery had been attended to. Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. by Mr. Ridler that Godstone R.D.C. be thanked for doing it, & asked whether all verges could be cut regularly. Carried

St. Dunstan's Appeal The Chairman said that as no one had come forward to act as appeals Organiser for the District, Mrs. Geary had offered to run a Whist Drive in aid of this for charity. a/c

Path at Forge Corner The Clerk read a letter from the Clerk Oxington

U.D.C. saying that he had passed the matter over to the Engineer & Surveyor for attention. Mr. Drave said that so far nothing had been done.

Pond. The Clerk, Godstone R.D.C. said in a letter that the Surveyor had been instructed to obtain prices for clearing the pond at Westmore Green, & submit such prices at the next meeting of the Playing Fields & Commons Committee.

Litter Notice. The Clerk, Godstone R.D.C. had written to say that the Parish Council's suggestion regarding a short litter notice to be attached to the existing notice boards displaying the bye-laws, had been deferred.

Village Sign. Mr. Black said that the sign was now complete and it was hoped to unveil it at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26th.

The question of crazy paving around the base was discussed & it was proposed by Mr. Black, sec. by Mr. Ridler that Godstone R.D.C. be asked whether a small area could be paved. Carried

Drainage. Following a recent report in a local paper, it was confirmed by Mr. Hodson that the scheme had been approved in principle by the Ministry, but not the expenditure.

a/c Proposed by Miss Knight, sec. Mr. Hodson that following a/c be passed for payment.

Hooker Bros. Ltd. printing letterheads ✓ £1-14-11

Carried

W. J. Gray
14-10-54

OCTOBER 1954.

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting
held at The ^{Bakery} School, Mon: Oct. 4th, 8 p.m.

Present Mr. Geary (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black,
Drane & Ridler, with the Clerk.

Apology An apology was received from Mr. Hodson.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

School Dentist a letter from Mr. Vaughan Morgan was read &
enclosing one from
saying that Travelling facilities would be provided for
children attending Tabfield Primary School who had to go to
the Oxford dental clinic.

It was agreed that Mr. Vaughan Morgan should be
thanked for his assistance in the matter, & that the
Parish Council representative on the School managers
should keep the Parish Council in touch with how the
scheme worked

3rd Party

Insurance The Clerk read a letter from Municipal Mutual Ins. Co. Ltd,
in which the Gen. manager said that the matter of 3rd Party
Insur. of the Parish Council had been discussed with Mr. Ridler.
It was proposed that a Policy should be issued which
would be worded to cover the usual activities of the
Council, but excluding specifically any liability in connection
with recreation grounds, playground apparatus, street
lighting, footbridges, war memorials, village halls &
village greens, as the Council was not responsible for
any of these items at the moment, but the exclusion
in the Policy would draw attention to the necessity
of arranging an extension of the Policy should
circumstances change in the future.

Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Miss Knight that
the Parish Council accept these terms & take out a

Policy for an indemnity of £50,000/Unlimited at an annual premium of 17/6, less the 15% Commission as quoted in the letter of 11th May, 1954, from Ann: Mutual Insur. Ltd.

Carried.

Grass.

cutting of

The Clerk read a letter from the Surveyor Godstone R.D.C. stating that as the machine used on the larger areas of the Green was too big for the small areas, a different cutter had to be used, & it was sent at different times because its programme of work differed from that of the larger equipment.

St. Dunstan's

fund

The Chairman said that matters were progressing regarding the Whist Drive in aid of this fund, but that nothing would take place until after Nov. 11th, so as not to conflict with the Poppy Day Collection.

Path Fudge

Corner

Mr. Deane said that he had been asked to find someone to cut the hedge back along the footpath at Fudge Corner.

Pond

The Clerk reported that the pond had been cleared out.

Allotments

The Clerk said that she had collected the allotment rents for the $\frac{1}{2}$ yr ending Sept. 29th, £2.16.0, & that Mr. Rusher had given a year's notice, according to his agreement, of his intention of relinquishing all his allotments (Nos 13-31 inclusive). There had been an application for the allotment that ran alongside the garden of Crane Cottage, by the owner of this house.

Proposed Mr. Black see Mr. Ridler that the year's notice be waived, & that a notice of six months be accepted from Mr. Rusher.

Carried.

It was agreed that the Allotment Com. should see Mr. Wilkinson of Crane Cottage, about his application

for an allotment, & that the Clerk should advertise that there were allotments vacant.

Boundaries

change in

A letter was read from Godstone R.D.C. saying that it was proposed to re-arrange the boundary between Tatsfield & Limpsfield. It was felt that the community of interest of the S.E. corner of Tatsfield was more concerned with Limpsfield than with Tatsfield, & it was proposed to transfer this area accordingly. The effect would be that Tatsfield would lose 14 rateable hereditaments & £1,249 of rateable value, with a consequent reduction in the 1d rate of £5.4.0. Before the Rural District Council finally formulated their recommendations the observations of the Parish Council were invited. After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Mr. Bidler that the Parish Council ascertain the views of the people concerned, & that the clerk write to Surrey Water Board, & Moorhouse Brick & Tile Works.

2/6 for
payment

Resignation

Mr. Simpson

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. Simpson who wished to resign from the Parish Council, owing to his projected absence from the village. It was agreed that the filling of the vacancy thus caused should be put on the Agenda for the November meeting.

Road.

Complaint

The Chairman read a letter from 33 residents of the FootsfieldRd & Swedish Houses area, complaining of the bad condition of the Footsfield Road, particularly where it joined Westmore Rd. The letter had been sent to the Highways Dept. Godstone R.D.C. The Parish Council decided to await the result.

of the discussion arising from the matter having
been placed before the Highways Com: on Oct. 1st.

as for Proposed by Mr. Ridler see. Miss Knight that
payment for: as be passed for payment: -

Clerk's salary, $\frac{1}{4}$ ending Sept-29th ✓ £10-0-0

Titon Estate Co, $\frac{1}{2}$ year rent Allotments ✓ £2-0-0

Carried

By Henry 1st November 54.
Chairman

of the discussion arising from the matter having
been placed before the Highways Com: on Oct. 1st.

as for Proposed by Mr. Ridler see. Miss Knight that
payment for: as be passed for payment: -

Clerk's salary, $\frac{1}{4}$ ending Sept-29th ✓ £10-0-0

Tilson Estate Co, $\frac{1}{2}$ year rent Allotments ✓ £2-0-0

Carried

W. J. G. 1st November 54.
Chairman

NOVEMBER 1954.

caused by resignation

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at The Bakery, Iron: Nov. 1st, 1954

Present Mr. Gray (Chairman), Miss Knight, Messrs. Black, Drane, Hodgson, & the Clerk

Minutes The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

3rd Party Insurance The Clerk said that she had received a cover note giving immediate effect to risks. The Policy and account would be forwarded in due course.

Path at Forge Cross Mr. Drane said that he had made arrangements for the cutting back of the hedge along this path

Boundaries change in The Clerk said that the E. Surrey Water Co. had written to say that the suggested change would not affect the interests of the company, as in all such cases the area of supply remained in accordance with the original parish boundaries. No reply had yet been received from Redland Tiles Co.

Goatsfield Rd. Mr. Hodgson said that Godstone R.D.C. was empowered by the Private Street Act to repair such roads, but the cost was charged to the frontagers, & as in this case much of the road was undeveloped, the cost would be high. The District Council was under no obligation to make up a private road to provide access from their property to a public road. Mr. Hodgson agreed to make further enquiries as to the ^{possible} provision of a load of rubble

Vacancy on Parish Council Proposed by Mr. Black, sec. Mr. Drane that Mrs. Dohie be co-opted to fill the vacancy

caused by resignation of Mr. Simpson

Carried
W. Geary
6/12/54

DECEMBER 1954

Pond

The Clerk reported

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Parish Council meeting held at The Bakery, Man: Dec. 6th, 1954, at 8 p.m.

Acceptance Form - Mrs. Dohie signed acceptance of office form.

Present Mr. Geary (Chairman) Mrs. Dohie, Messrs. Black, Drane, Hodpson & Ridley

Apology for Absence An apology for absence was received from Miss Knight.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

Boundaries The Clerk said that she had been asked for the Parish Council's views on the proposed simplified-Tatefield boundary changes, before the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Com: on Nov. 19th. The Clerk said that she had replied that a minority thought such a change would strengthen any claim the Kent County Council might make, in the event of any County boundary revision, towards absorbing that part of Tatefield bounded on three sides by Kent. The majority thought that their opinion on the matter would carry little weight.

Goatsfield Rd. Mr. Hodpson said that he had been informed that Godstone R.D.C. had discontinued supplying loads of rubble for unadopted roads, as this was considered harmful to ^{the interests of} private contractors. Mr. Black thought that the best solution to the problem would be for those interested in the matter to approach the R.D.C. as fellow property owners, & ask if they would contribute towards certain first-aid repairs to Goatsfield Rd. these repairs to be carried out by a private contractor.

Circular No

70/54

The Clerk reported the receipt of Circular 70/54 regarding the simplification of the machinery for giving the Minister of Housing's consent to the sale, lease or letting of land by Local Authorities.

Pond The Club reported that she had been informed that the cleaning out of the pond had cost £35

Footpaths Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Black that Mr. Drane
Com: fill the vacancy on Footpaths Com. caused by the resignation of Mr. Simpson. Carried.

$\frac{a}{c}$ for Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Black that following
payment $\frac{a}{c}$ be passed for payment.

Surrey Ass: of Parish Councils. Subs. 1954-55 ✓ £2-10-0

Carried.

Chairman

A. J. Geary
3-1-55